



## Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2022-02-28

Meeting was held via Zoom

The meeting started about 7:00 and adjourned about 7:55

<http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org>

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### Attendees:

### Delegates:

Columbia River Dancers:	Delegate positions open
Eager Beavers:	Alice Hendricks, Judy Groom
Hayshakers:	Delegate positions open
Hoedowners:	Mike Duyck, Kathy Christy (Kathy absent)
Mix'n'Mingle:	Rick and Robin Faltersack (both absent)
Oak Hills Squares	Judy Martin, Ken Marifke
R Square D:	Chris and John Poole (John absent)
Sunset Promenaders:	Judy Schnase, Floyd Wolf
Toe Draggers:	Linda Curtis
Tri Squares:	Carol Roos, Ursula Kuhn
Valley River Dancers:	Jan Amerson, Perrin Damon (both absent)
Valley Squares:	Julie Cooper, Dorothy Reed (Dorothy absent)
Wave Steppers:	Bob Allen, Karen Bowyer (both absent)

### Officers, Elected & Appointed:

President: Mike St. Clair	Vice-President: Jan Amerson (absent)
Treasurer: Tammy LeBlanc	Secretary: Andis Garuts
State Delegate: Josie Rosenbury (absent)	Sunshine Chair: Janice Sminia
Past-President of the TVC: Dale Brabham	PAC Representative: Erin Kalmbach
Oregon Federation Youth Advisor: Kathy Roberts (absent)	
Caller Advisor: K.C. Curtis	Cuer Advisor: Randy Lewis (absent)
TVC Webmaster: Tim Roberts (absent)	OFN Area Editor: Ferrous Steinka (absent)

### Visitors Attending:

Gary Clark (Sunset Promenaders)  
Peter Cooper (Valley Squares)  
Tami Helms (Cuer)  
Craig Holt (Hayshakers)  
Tim Keck (PAC)  
Carolene Siebert (Valley Squares)  
Tom Sminia (Sunset Promenaders)  
Mark Wheeler (Caller)  
Kathy Worthington (USDA)

## TVC Officer Reports:

**Previous Council meeting** minutes approved as written.

### **President's report:** (Mike St. Clair)

Just want to thank everyone who was able to come to the TVC Recognition award ceremony in January. As most of you know, Bob and Carolyn Bosch got the award for 2020 and Darrell and Erin Kalmbach got it for 2021. Both well deserved.

Sounds like things are going to start to get back to somewhat normal. The mask mandate is being lifted on March 12 so I would like to hear how you think that is going to affect your clubs. I would also like to hear how the information that is sent out about our club activities are being sent out to your clubs. How is the communication working, because we don't get flyers like we used to, what information is being passed on. What are you hearing from your members because what I hear all most all if not all the clubs are struggling to get members to the dances. Also we need to be thinking about Officers for this next year and who will run for these positions.

**Vice President's report:** (Jan Amerson) (absent) No report.

**Treasurer's report:** (Tammy LeBlanc)

Checks were written to Linda Curtis for the Mid Winter basket, and to Mike St. Clair for expenses for Zoom and the TVC Recognition Award.

Checking: \$637.35

Savings: \$7,588.05

Some money will be transferred from Savings to Checking.

**Secretary report:** (Andis Garuts) No report.

**State Delegates report:** (Josie Rosenbury) (absent)

I just wanted to extend my congratulations to Bob and Carolyn Bosch and Darrell and Erin Kalmbach as the recipients of the TVC President's Award--to both of these couples this honor was very well deserved!

If you collected any feedback from your clubs regarding the usefulness of the Mid-Winter website it would be great if you could share that when you report so I can pass on your comments.

I noticed that the TVC P&Ps mention that the State Delegate will be involved with handing out memberships in March and receive these back in April. Honestly I've not heard of this while I've been in this position or seen anything about this other than to be asked to mention to clubs that you should update the Federation website just as soon as you elect officers, and then log back in and make sure that your changes are still there. The changes are sent directly to the Membership Chairman. They were not sent to me.

As we look ahead to our Council elections, I would like to share that I have learned a lot working with the Federation in the past couple of years and it has been my pleasure to do my best to serve and represent the TVC as your State Delegate. The pandemic changed the position and created some new challenges. I think we all agree it will be nice to get back to dancing and meeting in person, although there were times when Zoom was pretty handy, especially for those club Delegates that have a distance to travel. Our next State Delegate takes office in September at the State Federation Meeting that will be held at the Maplewood Grange in Aurora.

**PAC report:** (Erin Kalmbach)

All PAC clubs are dancing except Oaky Doaks. They will be making some decisions the end of March / first of April.

Currently, Buzzin' Bees, Cut-Ups, Hoppers, Rosetown Ramblers, and River City Dancers are having lessons.

PAC has a dance on April 29, that's a 5th Friday, at the Abernethy Grange. B&Bs are hosting and have invited the Glidewells to call and cue. That dance begins at 7:00.

PAC has started working on the September State Meeting which will be at the Maplewood Grange with Chaps & Petticoats hosting. Mark your calendars for Sept. 16-18.

**OFSRDC Publicity and Education Report:** (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

**OFSRDC Youth Report:** (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

**Past TVC President report:** (Dale Brabham) No report.

**Sunshine report:** (Janice Sminia)

Sent a get well card to Craig Abercrombie's wife Judy who has a broken arm.

Sent a get well card to Sunset Promenaders member Lalani Radford's husband, Vince Radford.

Sent a sympathy card to Virginia Walz, her husband, Ray Walz, passed away. Ray was a cuer and dance instructor in the Salem area.

**OFN Area Editor Report:** (Ferrous Steinka) (absent)

It has been a difficult couple of years for everyone but especially so for those who have been trying to keep square dancing relevant. For example, club reporters who need to report on club activities for the OFN. This has been hard to do when, at first, none of the clubs were dancing due to Covid restrictions. Slowly there was a move to reconnect either by socially distanced backyard meetings or Zoom, etc. During this time the TVC has consistently been the Council with the highest percentage of reports, often 100%.

I really appreciate the efforts of my reporters:

Columbia River Dancers - Nick Johnson

Eager Beavers - Alice Hendricks

Hay Shakers - Craig Holt

Hoedowners - Krystal Laas

Mix 'N Mingle - Lindie Noonan

Oak Hills Squares - Linda Kitchin

R Square D - Chris Poole

Sunset Promenaders - Mike StClair

Toe Draggers - Kathy Degman

TriSquares - Gloria Davis

Valley River Dancers - Judy Zimmerman

Valley Squares - Carolene Siebert

Wave Steppers - Bob Allen

Respectfully submitted,

Ferrous Steinka - OFN Area Editor

**Webmaster report:** (Tim Roberts) (absent) No report.

## **Old Business:**

**Future TVC Meetings:** Our next TVC Meeting on March 28 will be via Zoom. At this Meeting we will discuss how our Meetings will be held after March 28.

## **New Business:**

**TVC dances:** We will decide at the next Meeting whether mask wearing and vaccinations will be required at our future Council dances. Clubs, also please let us know when you change your COVID-19 protocols at your events.

## Club Delegate Reports:

### **Columbia River Dancers:** *(Delegate positions open)*

Club dances 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays year round at the Manor Grange, 17901 NE 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Battle Ground, WA 98604. The times 7 to 8 Plus dance, 8-10 Mainstream dance with Jim Hattrick as club caller and cuer. <http://www.ColumbiaRiverDancers.org>

No report.

### **Eager Beavers:** *(Alice Hendricks and Judy Groom, Delegates)*

The Club dances every Monday afternoon, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Aloha Grange, 185th and TV Highway. Our great caller/cuer teams are: Jim Hattrick calling and cueing on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays, and Darrell Kalmbach with Jeanine Norden, caller/cuer on 2nd and 4th Mondays. For additional information call 503-645-2414. Admission is just \$6.00 per person. Please bring your own beverage. <http://www.eagerbeavers.info>

Eager Beavers has offered Plus lessons for the past three weeks, but unfortunately new student enrollment is not high enough to continue. We will instead devote the first half-hour of our regular dance as a Plus review, which will be perfect for dancers who have already learned Plus but need a refresher. The time will be on Monday afternoons from 1:00 to 1:30, and the normal donation of \$6 includes the Plus review as well as our dance until 3:00. Our club callers Jim Hattrick and Darrell Kalmbach will teach on alternate weeks per our regular caller/cuer schedule.

Please mark your calendars for Eager Beavers' 47th Anniversary Dance on Monday afternoon, April 25 with Mainstream and Rounds from 1:15 to 3:00, preceded by Pre-Plus with Level III Rounds from 12:45 to 1:15. Details will follow.

At this time, our Club continues to require proof of vaccination for the safety of our members and guests.

- Alice Hendricks and Judy Groom

### **Hayshakers:** *(Delegate positions open) (Report presented by Craig Holt)*

Hayshakers are now dancing the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Mark Wheeler caller & cuer. Dance is at the Pacific Grange, 90475 Hwy 101, Cullaby Lake, at Warrenton, OR. Be sure to call first to make sure we have enough people for a dance. 503.325.8109, 503.861.2726, 503.325.2100.

<http://www.hayshakers.org>

The Hayshakers dance at the Pacific Grange

904475 Highway 101

Warrenton, OR

website: <http://hayshakers.org/>

Hayshakers will be doing Lesson and dance the Second and Fourth Saturdays of every Month starting March 12, 2022

There will be a Hayshaker Class for new dancers on Saturday – March 12 from 7:00 until 8:30 in the Pacific Grange with Mark Wheeler, Instructor (First Lesson FREE, then \$5/Lesson). Then there will be a Hayshaker Dance From 8:30 until 9:00 with Mark Wheeler Caller.

We hope you can drop in and have a couple of tips with us as you visit the Oregon Coast.

**Hoedowners:** (Mike Duyck and Kathy Christy, Delegates) (Kathy absent)

Dance the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185<sup>th</sup> and TV Hwy. Guest callers. The Cuer is Randy Lewis. Mainstream and maybe Plus from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Rounds vary.  
<http://www.hoedowners.info>

The Hoedowners are dancing on March 12 to Scott Zinser calling and Randy Lewis cueing at the Aloha Grange. On March 26 we will have K. C. Curtis as caller and Randy Lewis cueing. Please observe the mask requirements as they are changing very rapidly.

**Mix N Mingle:** (Rick and Robin Faltersack, Delegates) (both absent)

Club dances Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays. Pre-Rounds begin at 7:30 PM and Plus & Rounds from 8:00 – 10:30 PM. The door donation is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. Randy Dibble is our club Caller and Jeanine Norden our club Cuer. [www.mixandminglesquares.org](http://www.mixandminglesquares.org)

No report.

**Oak Hills Squares:** (Judy Martin and Ken Marifke, Delegates)

Oak Hills Squares meet on Monday evenings at the Oak Hills Recreation Center on 153<sup>rd</sup> and Oak Hills Drive (2400 NW 153<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Beaverton). 6:30 to 7:30 Class (start dates - February) 7:30 to 8:30 Mainstream (6:30 to 8:30 when no classes running). 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month from 7:30 to 9 Mainstream Singing calls and Rounds. Mark Wheeler is our Caller.

<http://myplace.frontier.com/~ferrouss/OakHillsSDC.htm>

Oak Hills Squares currently has nine new dancers taking lessons, which is very exciting.

We will be meeting tonight to discuss the mask mandate changes. Whatever decision we make going forward we will remain a fully vaccinated club.

We would very much like to have visitations from other clubs and dancers on Mondays.

Lessons are 6:30 – 7:25 p.m. then Mainstream dancing from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

The first Monday of each month (starting in April), we will have lessons from 6:30 until 7:30 as usual. Then from 7:30 to 9:00 we will have mainstream dance, open to other clubs' members (providing they are vaccinated). The first "tip" (dance) will be called at a level that is appropriate for those of you who are attending the lessons.

**R Square D:** (Chris and John Poole, Delegates) (John absent)

We dance the 2nd Friday and 4th Saturday from September through May and the 2nd and 4th Wednesday from June through August. Plus with intermediate rounds from 7 to 8; 8 to 9:30 Mainstream and rounds. The venue is Kelso Senior Center (106 NW 8th Ave, Kelso, WA) and Craig Abercrombie is our Caller. Call 360-425-6260 or visit our website at [www.r-square-d.info](http://www.r-square-d.info) for more information.

R Square D currently has 13 people in the Beginner's class that started in January and we are encouraged by this.

Our Valentine Dance on February 11 was fun and we had four squares dancing all night. Last Saturday (2/26) was our "Rockin' to the 50s & 60s" dance. We had 3½ squares and everyone enjoyed dancing to music from that era that was played by Mark Wheeler and Susan Healea.

We will have a class-level dance on March 11<sup>th</sup> with Jim Hattrick calling and Susan Healea cueing. Jim and Susan will again call and cue our March 26<sup>th</sup> "Spring Celebration" dance. Face masks are currently required but not proof of vaccination.

Chris Poole

**Sunset Promenaders:** (Judy Schnase and Floyd Wolf, Delegates)

Mainstream Dance 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Dances starts at 7:00 with Intermediate Rounds, and then 7:30-9:30 is the Mainstream dance with a Plus Tip at the end. Caller is Mike (Julie) Stout; Cuer is Ken (Diane) Pratt. The Club also has a Plus dance on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of the month. These dances starts at 7:00 with Intermediate Rounds and at 7:30-9:30 is a Plus dance with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Tami Helms cueing. We dance in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall Upstairs on the corner of 3rd & Main Streets above LaHaies. More information call 503-848-3841 or [www.sunsetpromenaders.com](http://www.sunsetpromenaders.com)

The Delegates were asked to discuss with their club if they utilized the information on the Web site for Mid Winter. Our club did use it and said it was better than the book.

We are still dancing mainstream on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays and Plus on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays. Darrell and Tammy on Thursday and Mike and Julie on Saturday.

We have canceled our round dance workshop on Sunday afternoons due to lack of attendance. We will more than likely do some kind of Round dance lessons in the fall.

We did get 12 or 13 new students for lessons and they are doing really well.

I want to thank Mike for a job well done on the TVC Recognition Awards. This has been a tough 2 years with all the changes and laws put before us. It is difficult to be able to maintain balance when there is no balance. Thanks Mike for the great job. Hopefully we didn't lose too many dancers in all this pandemic.

Delegates

Judy and Floyd

**Toe Draggers:** (Linda Curtis, Delegate)

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream (3<sup>rd</sup> tip Plus) and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday 7:30-8:00 Plus, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream with the last tip Plus. Caller is K.C. Curtis; and Cuer is Bev Flint. Kinton Grange is at 19015 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Beaverton, 97007. [www.toedraggers.org](http://www.toedraggers.org)

The Toe Draggers will start dancing again on Friday, April 15. Our Caller will be K.C. Curtis and the Cuer for the night will be Sandra Pinion. We are looking forward to dancing with you all again.

**Tri Squares:** (Carol Roos and Ursula Kuhn, Delegates)

We dance on the second and fourth Friday of each month at the historic Tigard Grange in Tigard. Terry Halley is our club Caller with Sandra Pinion Cueing. We dance from September to June. We are dark in July and August. Hearing enhancement devices are available. We round dance from 7:30 – 7:45, dance Plus from 7:45 to 8:00 and Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.; the 4<sup>th</sup> tip will be PLUS. Refreshments are served at 10:00. [www.trisquares.com](http://www.trisquares.com)

Not much to report from the Tri Squares. We are tabulating a survey to see if we will change our dance nights when we start dancing again. Hopefully a decision will be made at our March Board Meeting. So, at this time we remain a visitation club.

**Valley River Dancers:** (Jan Amerson and Perrin Damon, Delegates) (both absent)

We dance Plus on 2<sup>nd</sup> Fridays, and Mainstream on 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays in Newberg at the Chehalem Community Center, located on the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Howard Streets. We dance 'A' on 5<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at the Woodburn Senior Estates Community Club. Randy Dibble is our Caller. Leonard Snodgrass cues 2nd Friday; Sherri Clark cues 4<sup>th</sup> Friday. [www.valleyriverdancers.org](http://www.valleyriverdancers.org)

No report.

**Valley Squares:** *(Julie Cooper and Dorothy Reed, Delegates) (Dorothy absent)*

*Dance 3rd Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy, year-round.*

*Mainstream at class level with rounds from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Plus with rounds from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., dances will end around 9:30 p.m.. Open break with refreshments starting at 8 p.m. Guest callers, Connie Clark Cuer. [www.valleysquares.com](http://www.valleysquares.com)*

Our next VS dance will be on March 19. 7 to 9 p.m. Mainstream with a possible Plus tip at the end. Caller: Scott Zinser. Cuer: Connie Clark.

We have 7 new Club members from our Mainstream workshops class.

Our MS workshops classes are usually on Tuesday nights, from 7 to 9 p.m. Caller for the next few classes will be Mark Wheeler. We might skip a few nights next month since many of our students will be gone for a couple of weeks.

Our Anniversary Dance will be on May 21. Details coming.

The VS are planning Club visitations to other Clubs with our new members.

**Wave Steppers:** *(Bob Allen, Karen Bowyer, Delegates) (both absent)*

*Dance 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday March through October. The dance is Mainstream, with one PLUS tip, every second tip at the Garibaldi City Hall (107 6th Street, Garibaldi, OR 97118) from 7:00 to 9:30 PM with guest Callers.*

No report.

### **Good of the Order:**

**Gary Clark:** I would like to thank Mike St. Clair for how he handled the in-person TVC Meeting on January 31 with the TVC Recognition Awards and the door prizes. Great job, Mike.

**Tami Helms:** Clubs, please make sure that your Cuers pay up their annual Roundalab dues, to be sure that they have updated licenses to cue at your Dances.

### **Next TVC Meeting:**

Monday, March 28, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. The Meeting ID and Passcode will be on the next TVC Agenda.

Respectfully edited and published by Andis Garuts, TVC Secretary