



Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2021-07-26

Meeting was held via Zoom

The meeting started about 7:00 and adjourned about 8:20

<http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org>

Attendees:

Delegates:

Columbia River Dancers:	Gary and Judi Furguson (both absent)
Eager Beavers:	Leslie Tallman, Alice Hendricks
Hayshakers:	Delegates positions open
Hoedowners:	Mike Duyck, Doug Morgan (Doug absent)
Mix'n'Mingle:	Rick and Robin Faltersack (both absent)
Oak Hills Squares	Marie Clem (absent)
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
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
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:

Peter Cooper (Valley Squares)
Tami Helms (Cuer)
Steve LeBlanc (Sunset Promenaders)

TVC Officer Reports:

Previous Council meeting minutes approved as written.

President's report: (Mike St. Clair) No report.

Vice President's report: (Jan Amerson)

The TVC Directory is complete and I will take it to print this week. Please notify me as soon as possible, of the number of books your club would like. I have only one club that has requested the Directories.

Have heard some Cuers (maybe Callers) are not coming back. If your club has a change, please let me know.

Tri-Council Dance – October 30. Callers: Darrell Kalmbach & KC Curtis Cuers: Tami Helms +1
Hall for Dance: Will check on the Kinton Grange.

Hahn Barn Dance: They have the Last Saturday in September available and a few Saturdays in October. Or, do we want to wait until Next Year? The space has not been used in a couple years now, so they need some help cleaning up to prepare for our event. The consensus was to wait until next year.

New Year's Eve Dance. Will look into whether other clubs or Councils are doing a dance and make decision in August. PAC is considering doing a dance but was discussed, people don't usually like to travel too far so it would be ok for TVC to do one also.

I will arrange for Callers/Cuers and venue for the 5th Saturday in April Council Dance.

Treasurer's report: (Tammy LeBlanc)

\$1,170.71 in the TVC Checking Account.

\$7,587.57 in the TVC Savings Account.

After we got our State Dues and insurance paid, we had \$71.00 left from the Clubs' payment of the annual TVC and State dues, probably due to the \$7.00 from each club for the TVC dues.

Leslie Tallman motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report; Julie Cooper seconded. Motion passed. Treasurer's Report approved.

Secretary report: (Andis Garuts) No report.

State Delegates report: (Josie Rosenbury) (absent)

The Oregon State Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs met on Saturday, July 17 via Zoom and my report shares the highlights of the meeting. If you ever want to view the entire report, you can always go up to the Federation Web site to view the Minutes.

The Federation President encouraged members of clubs that are dark for the summer to not let that stop their members from dancing and suggested they visit other club dances in the meantime. If you are ready to dance, and especially if your club is dark, don't forget to check the OFN or Federation Facebook page to see who has a dance and get out to support these club dances. The incoming Federation President, George Hermann, also urged our delegates to spread the word to support our neighboring clubs. It will do you a world of good to see old friends and smiling faces again and get some light hearted exercise, and additionally it will help the struggling clubs to get started up again.

The Tumbleweeds Square Dance Club from Portland Area Council voted recently to dissolve, and so have the Sagebrush Shufflers from Prineville and the Sundown Round Dance Club from Central Oregon. If you find that your club is struggling, before you make your final decision to fold, try reaching out for assistance from the Federation as they may have some guidance to share.

George Hermann has been out and about to several different clubs already calling and singing at several fun dances and round dancing between tips. George and Patty will be the featured caller/cuer for the State Meeting Dance that will be held in Salem at the Square Dance Center on Saturday evening, September 11. Please pass this *save the date* invitation to your club members to come dance with and meet the current Federation officers.

At this point still no Summer Festival planned for 2022. No other Councils stepped up to bid as well, however one Federation officer from Rogue Sis-Q Council is going to see what kind of venue can be found in their area. The venues we have had in the past range in cost from \$3,000-\$5,000 (often schools) so if one can be found soon that can accommodate us it was discussed that the Federation may opt to host the dance and call upon all the Councils to furnish help. We've done that successfully in the past and it seemed to work very well. We will know by the next Federation meeting in September whether there was any luck in obtaining a venue and whether we will be having a Summer Festival 2022. It was proposed that in the odd years (such as 2023) the Federation host the Summer Festival at the Salem school. (Odd years is the only year they rent out.) It is possible Summer Festival may not be held every year—possibly only every other year. Discussion will continue.

Our TVC Federation directory count of 47 was turned in. Fewer directories will be ordered this year than last so we assume the price will be higher. Will know the price later in August and I will report on this hopefully at the next meeting. Insurance will also be going up this year, but we don't get to know the amount per person until November.

To date there have not been any Randall Award nominees submitted. The Federation deadline to have these turned in is August 15, 2021, so have these to me a few days prior, please. Please include a color photo.

Kathy Roberts wants to publish all the square and round dance lessons that are happening in the fall or next year through March 2022 on Facebook and in the OFN. Additionally Kathy wants to distribute a list of all of Oregon's square and round dance lessons so they are available on one sheet to use at Oregon visitor centers, so be sure she has your lesson details so that all of the available classes are itemized to make this advertising effort stand a chance. I have included an attachment from Kathy with Ideas for Advertising Lessons. If you have any questions about creating flyers or need some more details about any of the ideas, Kathy welcomes an email at kathy@4roberts.us.

Tim and Kathy revised a dancing after Covid questionnaire for the Toe Draggers that you may be interested in reviewing and even consider for your members as you make club plans and get back to dancing. Here is the link on Google Forms:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1JUWOUGsU_5HWSxNfmrtLTUgnUQSkG10jV_Ulp4QR-v8/edit

Tim says that if people want to use this, they'll need to open up the "three dots" menu at the upper right and pick "Make a Copy".

And here's a shortcut: <https://bit.ly/3x9TcTY>

Some statistics shared at the meeting:

- As of July 9 there are 70.3% vaccinated in Oregon (according to <https://public.tableau.com> shared by Tim Keck).
- The Federation Facebook page now has 598 members.
- We now have 1,405 primary insured dancers (up 37 since the May meeting).

A question for clubs for the Federation:

What would the clubs like to see happen about future Summer Festivals? Are we agreeable to only having Summer Festival every other year (the odd years) with the Federation hosting Summer Festival in Salem at the school we have had it at before (the one that does not allow cowboy boots) and each Council contributes volunteers to work areas slotted to them? Or do you feel we have enough Festivals and dances for summer and you would not be sad or disappointed to see it no longer happen. Is it fine the way it is where every year we see if a Council wants to host a Summer Festival and we cancel it if no one steps up. I will ask for your feedback at our next meeting, so if you can ask your clubs in the meantime and be ready to talk about it next month, that would be helpful.

PAC report: (Erin Kalmbach)

July 19 we had our first "in person" meeting. Nice to see everyone.

July 30 is the PAC 5th Friday dance at the Boring Barn. 7:00 pre-rounds, MS at 7:30. Bring your own chair, water and snacks. Casual and OUTSIDE!

Sept 30, 2022 will be the Tri Council dance hosted by PAC. Details to come later.

Tumbleweeds have disbanded.

The B 'n' Bs have cancelled their July 28 dance.

Country CutUps have their Barn Sale Sept. 10-11

OF SRDC Publicity and Education Report: (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

OF SRDC Youth Report: (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

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

Sunshine report: (Janice Sminia)

Sent sympathy card to Barb Stehlik because her husband passed away

OFN Area Editor Report: (Ferrous Steinka) (absent) No report.

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

Old Business:

TVC Hahn Barn Dance: It was decided that the TVC will not have a Hahn Barn dance this year. There was some conversation about holding this event next year.

Tri Council Dance: We need to find a hall for the Tri Council Dance in October. Some discussion about this. Parking, hall size and rent may be some concerns.

TVC Picnic: The TVC Picnic will be held on August 15, at Noble Woods Park in Hillsboro, at 3 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend. This is not a potluck, everyone who attends should bring their own food, drinks, chairs, tables, games, and any other things that they may want. The Picnic will be held at the South Entrance, at Borwick Street. Contact Tom and Janice for more information.

Next TVC Meetings: In June, it was decided that the next TVC Meetings will be held via Zoom until September, and then we would talk about whether to hold future TVC Meetings in-person or via Zoom. We will need to find a place to hold the Meetings, if we were to hold our next Meetings in person. Discussion about this.

New Business:

Seaside Sashay: The Seaside Sashay will be held on October 22-23.

TVC New Years Eve Dance: The consensus was that the TVC should put this event on this year. Some discussion. Work will start on this soon.

Mike St. Clair: If any Officers or Delegates are not getting my e-mails through the TVC e-mail list, please let me know. Some of the e-mail messages are going to the Spam folders. Please check your e-mail provider's Spam folder for messages. You might want to contact your e-mail provider to solve this problem.

Club Delegate Reports:

Columbia River Dancers: *(Gary and Judi Furguson, Delegates) (both absent)*
Club dances 2nd and 4th Saturdays year round at Hazel Dell Grange, 7509 NE Hazel Dell Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665. 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: *(Leslie Tallman and Alice Hendricks, Delegates)*
The Club dances Plus every Monday afternoon, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Aloha Grange, 3425 SW 185th Ave, Aloha, OR 97006, on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy.. We dance in air conditioned

comfort on an excellent wood floor. Door donation is \$5. Daryl Clendenin with Connie Clark, caller and cuer on 1st and 5th Mondays, Jim Hattrick, caller/cuer on 3rd Monday, and Darrell Kalmbach with Jeanine Norden, caller and cuer on 2nd and 4th Mondays. For additional information call 503-645-2414.

<http://www.eagerbeavers.info>

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 through **August** are: Daryl Clendenin and Connie Clark, caller/cuer on 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays, and Darrell Kalmbach and Jeanine Norden, caller/cuer on 2nd and 4th Mondays. For additional information call 503-645-2414. <http://www/EagerBeavers.info>. Admission is just \$5.00 per person. Please bring your own beverage.

The Eager Beavers are enjoying our summer dances in our air conditioned hall. After cancelling two dances in June, we hope the weather cooperates and we can continue to dance every Monday.

A big thankyou to Tami Helms for cueing our recent dances. And a big welcome to Jeanine Norden as she joins our group as cuer on the 2nd and 4th Mondays.

Please join us for an afternoon of fun and fellowship with our great caller/cuer teams.

Leslie Tallman and
Alice Hendricks

Hayshakers: *(Delegates positions open)*

Hayshakers are now dancing the 3rd and 5th 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>

No report.

Hoedowners: *(Mike Duyck and Doug Morgan, Delegates) (Doug absent)*

Dance the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th 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>

We are still dancing on the second and fourth Saturdays with guest callers and Randy Lewis cueing.

Tuesday nights there is a two step class in progress with Connie Clark as instructor. The class is open to join for those wishing to brush up.

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

Club dances Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1st and 3rd 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

No report.

Oak Hills Squares: *(Marie Clem. Delegate) (absent)*

Oak Hills Squares meet on Monday evenings at the Oak Hills Recreation Center on 153rd and Oak Hills Drive (2400 NW 153rd Avenue, Beaverton). 6:30 to 7:30 Class (start dates -Sept and February) 7:30 to 8:30 Mainstream (6:30 to 8:30 when no classes running). 1st Monday of each month from 7:30 to 9 Mainstream Singing calls and Rounds. Lane Clem is our Caller and Cuer on the 1st, 2nd and

4th Mondays; Renee Ruud is our Caller on the 3rd and 5th Mondays. Taped cues on those days.
<http://myplace.frontier.com/~ferrouss/OakHillsSDC.htm>

We are presently walking one week and meeting by Zoom the alternate week on Monday nights. We hope to be dancing again shortly.

Mike Duyck

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 for more information.

Many R Square D members gathered on July 17 at one member's home on Mayfield Lake for a club meeting and picnic. This has been an annual club event for many years, where we barbeque and socialize in a beautiful outdoor setting.

The club decided to begin hosting dances and lessons in September. We will "warm up" Wednesday, September 8, with Plus from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. and Mainstream from 7:30 – 9:00. We are not charging for this workshop evening, but will have a donation can at the door. Regular lessons will start the following Wednesday (9/15) at the same time (Plus from 6:30 – 7:30 and beginner's class from 7:30 – 9:00).

Our first dance of the year will be on Friday, September 10, and the theme is "Back in the Saddle Again"! The Kelso Senior Center board requires non-vaccinated people to wear a mask in the building and there will be an abundant supply of hand sanitizer.

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

The Sunset Promenaders are so blessed to be dancing in a beautiful air conditioned hall. I want to thank all the people involved that forged ahead through all of the pandemic rules and got us back to dancing.

For now through August Darrell Kalmbach and Tami Helms will be calling and cueing all of our dances Thur and Sat.

Starting in September Mike and Julie Stout will be back calling our mainstream dances and Darrell and Tami will continue with the plus.

Club picnic is on August 29 at the Browning residence at 3:00 pm.

Our annual campout is on September 11-12 at Silver Lake in Wash. Look for coming announcements for our Anniversary it for sure will be a party.

Remember all dancing starts at 7:00 with 2,3,4 rounds, 7:30-9:30 squares.

Hope you are all planning on visiting us soon I guarantee Darrell will make you think. Right now remember to bring your own drinks.

Judy Schnase

Floyd Wolf

Toe Draggers: *(Linda Curtis, Delegate)*

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1st Friday 7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream (3rd tip Plus) and on the 3rd 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

We had a Picnic and Meeting this month.

Our first dance will be our Anniversary Dance on the third Friday in September. Callers: K.C. Curtis and Darrell Kalmbach, cuer: Connie Clark.

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 4th tip will be PLUS. Refreshments are served at 10:00. www.trisquares.com

Beginning on Sept. 12, 2021 we will conduct refresher lessons, to get our newest dancers comfortable with dancing again. Our first few dances will be for club members only, possibly opening up the dances to outside dancers as early as November.

Round Dance lessons will start on Oct. 3, beginning with refresher lessons.

Our Summer Picnic is scheduled for Aug. 22, in Sherwood.

We continue to have our monthly Gabfests to stay connected with each other.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Roos

Tri Squares TVC Rep

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

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

We had more than 50 dancers at our Dance Under the Stars on Friday, from many clubs. Darrell Kalmbach, guest callers and Leonard Snodgrass did a great job that night.

We are resuming our dance schedule in August with Plus on the second Friday night, Mainstream on the fourth Friday night.

Lessons are starting on the second Tuesday in September.

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

The VS will be having a "refresher" dance on Tuesday, September 14 at the Aloha Grange. 7 p.m. Craig Abercrombie calling, Connie Clark cuing. Suggested donation: \$7.00

Our first dance will be on September 18, Scott Zinser calling, Connie Clark cuing. \$5 for VS members, and suggested donations of \$7 to \$10 for guests.

Lessons will be on Tuesday nights starting on September 21.

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

Dance 2nd 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:

Perrin Damon: The Golden Squares will be holding their next dance, their Pajama Dance, on Monday, August 2, at the Woodburn Senior Estates Auditorium. Please spread the word around about this dance and come; they could use a good turnout. The club is close to folding.

Next TVC Meeting:

Monday, August 23 at 7 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