

A LITTLE ABOUT SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING

Scottish Country Dancing is a wonderful way to escape the lure of the television couch over winter and to keep fit through the year!

While Scottish Country Dancing originated from the European and English traditions of court dancing (think of the *Pride and Prejudice* movies), it became popular in crofting villages, seaside towns, and estates throughout Scotland. Often danced to the music of a sole fiddler in the local hall, country dancing was a social and energetic way to keep warm, well and invigorated through the cold of the Scottish winter.

Well established in New Zealand (NZ is the largest branch of the worldwide Royal Scottish Country Dance Society) Scottish Dancing is danced informally at local clubs, and also at more formal Balls through the year, when kilts and semi-formal dresses are likely to be worn. Scottish Country Dancing has been popular in Cambridge since 1955, and the annual Cambridge Ball is seen as notably enjoyable in the region owing to the atmosphere of the Cambridge Town Hall.



CAMBRIDGE SCD

Patron ~ Dianne Murdoch



TUTORS

Antanas Procuta
Helen Smythe
Sue Wrigley
Lesley Gousmett

2014 COMMITTEE

President ~ Philip Jamieson
Secretary ~ Lesley Gousmett
Treasurer ~ Marilyn Shepherd
Gaye Hoskin
Isobel Hopkins

RESOURCES

The Royal Scottish Country Dance Society:
<http://www.rscds.org/>

**The New Zealand Branch of the
Royal Scottish Country Dance Society:**
<http://www.rscdsnz.org.nz/>

**For young people, the Junior Associate
Membership in New Zealand (JAMS):**
<http://www.rscdsnz.org.nz/youth.php>

**A favourite comprehensive resource with dance
cribs & links to dancing on YouTube:**
www.scottish-country-dancing-dictionary.com

**An international Scottish Country Dance
community:**
<http://my.strathspey.org/>

Ken Weeks Scottish Imports
(for dancing pumps etc):
3 Dunvegan Place, Dinsdale. 07-847 4272

The Dance Attic
730 Grey Street, Hamilton 07-853 9938

Kintail House Ltd
Kilts, Jackets, Accessories.
www.kintailhouse.com

Unicorns 'n' Pheasants, & Mitchell Kilt Hire
17 Empire Street, Cambridge ~ 827 6906

2014 CALENDAR



29th March 2014, 7:00 pm
Lochiel – Beginner's Ball
St John's Church Hall,
Wellington St, Hamilton East

5th April 2014, 6:00 pm
Rotorua - Tea Dance
Ngongotaha Hall, School Rd

12th April 2014, 4.00pm
Whitianga-Galbraith
Whitianga Town Hall

10th May 2014, 7:30 pm
Lochiel - Annual Dance
St Paul's Church Hall, London St

31st May – 2nd June
Queen's Birthday Weekend School
Incorporating Te Awamutu Ball
Further info to be confirmed.

21st June 2014, 7:30 pm
Tauranga - Annual Dance
Pillans Point School Hall, Otumoetai

28th June 2014, 7.30pm
Auckland Region Ball
Further info to be confirmed.

9th August 2014
Tokoroa - Tea Dance
Further info to be confirmed.

23rd August 2014, 1.30pm
Opotiki - Annual Dance
Waiotahi Hall, Opotiki

6th September 2014, 7:30 pm
Hamilton Scottish - Annual Dance
Matangi Hall.

13th September 2014, 6:00 pm
Hauraki-Thames - Annual Ball
St James Church Hall, Pahau St, Thames

27th September 2014, 7:30 pm
Cambridge / Waikato Bay of Plenty
Marian Anderson & Max Ketchen
Cambridge Town Hall

1st November 2014, 5:30 pm
Mount Maunganui - Annual Dance
Te Puke Memorial Hall

RSCDS NZ BRANCH 2014/15 SUMMER SCHOOL



28th December 2014 – 5 January 2015
Knox College, Dunedin

For further information on the Summer School, see:
www.dancescottish.org.nz

A warm welcome to

CAMBRIDGE SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING



**St Andrew's Church Hall,
Hamilton Road, Cambridge.**

Weekly, Wednesday at 7.15 pm

Social exercise & hearty fun!

New dancers (all ages) welcome.
No partner required!
Flat shoes recommended.

Turn up on the night, or contact
cambridgescd@yahoo.co.nz
or Marilyn Shepherd at 827 6142
for further information.