POINTS OF INTEREST ABOUT SQUARE DANCING

* We need 8 dancers to form a square.
* We need more than 8 in the club so we can still dance when one or more are absent.
* During an evening, it is good if a few can sit out and rest while the rest dance.
* The setup is usually 4 men and 4 ladies but a lady can dance the man’s part and a man can dance the ladies part.
* Here in The Pas we use a combination of old technology called 45 rpm records and the computer with saved music and calls. With both systems, we can adjust the speed of the music so beginners have a chance to ‘catch on’. We do not have a caller in our club. We have teachers and calls on the recordings.
* To square dance one must learn the move to do when the caller says what to do. Each week more calls are learned so you are asked to come on a regular basis.
* This is MODERN square dancing. It does not involve competition. It does not involve the jigging step.
* Sometimes we invite a caller in to do a workshop.
* Sometimes our dancers attend special dances in other communities – usually put on by the Swan Valley Club.
* One can square dance all of America and overseas as well.
* Square dancing is sorted into levels. Here we teach only Basic and Mainstream. That requires you to learn about 60 calls.