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Dance Diary— Dancing News

The 2026 Newsletter is already in preparation. Please send me your 2026 dance details now for January to March 2026

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Mobile SCD Cribs V5.0.2

An updated version of the app (v. 5.0.2) is available on both the Apple App Store and Google Play Store. This version introduces several new features that enhance the user experience.

These new or enhanced features affect the Audio Player, Audio File Management and Migration of Old Files and there are some bug fixes.

A YouTube video demonstrates the app's major functions. You can access it at <https://youtu.be/Y8klZFg9Puw>. The video also includes an index in the remarks, so you can directly access any feature's description.

For those with Apple devices using the new M family of chips, the app can be downloaded and used on those devices. It can then be transferred to a phone or tablet.

Autumn Gathering

The Society Autumn Gathering was held in Glasgow last weekend within the Kelvin Hall and I understand approximately 300 dancers attended both the Friday and Saturday evening dances. The ticket price of £40 and the choice of programme for each evening resulted in some dancers deciding the cost was not something they were prepared to pay. Especially as there was no supper provided. The stated aim of the current Society Management is to cut costs and charge full price for all events to cover their costs.

The usual price for dances featuring the same bands is in the region of £10 or £12 and includes tea/coffee, a biscuit and sometimes home made cake. On special occasions there are sandwiches too for the same price or a couple of pounds more.

Some Branches no longer hold Balls or such expensive events as the number of dancers attending has reduced, making them no longer viable. Other Branches still hold annual Balls with a ticket price between £30 to £40 but these also include a full meal.

This begs the question as to whether the Autumn Gathering should continue in its present state.

Too many dances on the same day

Over the years the number of dancers willing to attend events has reduced and this is quite evident in the attendance at dances this past year. Why therefore are dance organisers running events on the same day as neighbouring Clubs/Branches. You only have to look at the list of events in this Newsletter to see many dances on the same day and even two dances on the same evening in Glasgow. It is obvious that organisers are not talking to neighbouring Clubs/Branches. What is needed is a liaison officer for each area.

It would help if organisers made full use of the [SCD Events Scotland](https://www.scdevents.scotland) website which lists events throughout Scotland. Details of individual dances should be sent to scotdancediary@gmail.com. Information should include the following (Date, Town, Event, Band, Venue, Organiser, Contact, Email Address, Phone no, Web link) See the home page <https://www.scotdancediary.co.uk/> for full details.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCES

Date:- Friday 14th November Time:- 8pm-12mn Venue:- St Thomas' Church Hall, Chapel St, Keith AB55 5AL
Cost:- £10/£5 **Band:- Nicol McLaren** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Banff **Contact:-** rscdsbanffshire@gmail.com **Event:-**
 - Branch Annual Dance <https://rscdsbanffshire.wixsite.com/banffshire/rscdsbanffshirebranchdancediary>

Programme:- Maxwell's Rant ; Kelloholm Jig ; Margaret Parkers Strathspey ; Toast to the ; Mousies ; Major Ian Stewart ; The Duchess Tree ; Australian Ladies ; The Bees of Maggie Knockater ; The Gentleman ; Starlight ; Inchmickery **Supper/Raffle** Mrs Stewart of Fasnacloich ; The Cat and The Fiddle ; Water of Leith ; The Lochalsh Reel ; Kamo Karousel ; Canadian Landscape ; Black Black Oil ; Red Rum ; Anne McArthur ; John of Bon Accord ; The Waternish Tangle.

Date:- Saturday 15th November Time:- 10am and 2.30pm Venue:- Corn Exchange, The Square, Melrose TD6 9PG **Cost:-** £18.50 all day [Dance £8] **Band:- Stuart Anderson** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Roxburgh, Selkirk & Peebles **Contact:-** Anne Bell 01450 373 940 events.rspbranch@gmail.com **Event:-** Day School & Dance. **Teacher:- Rachel Shankland** <https://www.scotdancediary.co.uk/images/Programmes/2025%20RSP%20Day%20School%20Flyer.pdf> Application Form on website. Food options available. **Dance starts 2.30pm.**

Programme: Captain's House ; Bethankit ; Peggy Spouse MBE ; *Teacher's Choice* ; Rutland Reel ; Shetland Shepherdess ; Canadian Landscape ; Bill Clement MBE **Interval** Glastonbury Tor ; *Teacher's Choice* ; Flora's Fancy ; Lochalsh Reel ; Haar on Skye ; Gaelforce Wind ; **Extra:-** Craigleith.

Date:- Saturday 15th November Time:- 2pm – 5pm Venue:- Helensburgh **Cost:-** £12 **Band:- Susan Macfadyen** **Organiser:-** Helensburgh Branch **Contact:-** Anne Thorn 07490 274 871 **Event:-** November Dance <https://rscds-helensburgh.org.uk/dances/> *Advance Ticket please as they are in short supply. Email Anne am_thorn@hotmail.co.uk*

Programme:- Pelorus Jack ; Lochalsh Reel ; St Columba's Strathspey ; St Andrew's Fair ; Irish Rover ; Glasgow Lasses ; Scallywag ; Scott Meikle **Interval** The Frisky ; Countess of Dunmore's Reel ; Dream Catcher ; Ferry Louper ; Orpington Caledonians ; Water of Leith ; Wild Geese ; Highland Rambler.
Extras:- Maxwell's Rant ; Cherrybank Gardens.

Date:- Saturday 15th November Time:- 6.30pm Venue:- Church of Scotland Centre, Glencruitten Road, Oban, PA34 4DN **Cost:-** £15 **Band:- Michael & Joannie Garvin** **Organiser:-** Oban Branch **Contact:-** Sue Porter 01631 563 103 sue.porter3@btopenworld.com **Event:-** Annual Dance *Buffet Meal at 6.30pm* <https://rscdsoban.com/> **Programme:-** Jubilee Jig ; Round Reel of Eight ; Wisp of Thistle ; The Laird of Milton's Daughter ; Blooms of Bon Accord ; Lady Glasgow ; Milltimber Jig ; Mrs MacLeod **Interval** EH3 7AF ; Dundee Whaler ; The Sailor ; Linnea's Strathspey ; The Yorkshire Rose ; The Dancing Bees ; Hope Little's Strathspey ; Shiftin' Bobbins

Date:- Saturday 15th November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Castle Douglas Town Hall, St Andrew Street DG7 1DE **Cost:-** £12/£8 **Band:- Scott Band (5 piece)** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Castle Douglas **Contact:-** Douglas Foreman 07801 868 653 **Event:-** **Branch 75th Anniversary. Supper & Raffle** <https://www.dumfries-rscds.org/content/events/>

Programme:- Nice to See You ; Miss Hadden's Reel ; Anne & Friends ; Dancers' Wedding ; Farewell to Balfour Road ; Castle Douglas ; Scott Meikle ; Pelorus Jack ; Bonnie Gallowa' ; Salute to Miss Milligan ; Mrs Stewart's Jig ; Kind Robin ; Wee Cooper O' Fife ; Seann Truibhas Willichan ; Reel of The 51st Division. **Extra:-** Maxwell's Rant.

Date:- Saturday 15th November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Inverleith St Serf's Church Centre, 1a Clark Road, Edinburgh EH5 3BD **Cost:-** £12 / £10 **Band:- Sandy Nixon** **Organiser:-** Trinity Club **Contact:-** secretary.trinityscdc@gmail.com **Event:-** Club Bi-Weekly Dance. Annual Club Membership £20. <https://www.trinityscdc.org/> ***Dances Walked***

Programme:- Hooper's Jig ; Castle of Mey ; Anna Holden's Strathspey ; Inchmickery ; Dancing Forth ; *Miss Dorothy Leurs* ; Jubilee Jig ; J.B. Milne **Interval** Miss Allie Anderson ; *Dunfermline City Reel* ; Barbara's Strathspey ; Chequered Court ; John of Bon Accord ; Neidpath Castle ; Napier's Index ; Montgomerie's Rant.

Date:- Saturday 15th November **Time:-** 7.30pm-11pm **Venue:-** Dickson Memorial Hall, Station Road, Laurencekirk AB30 1BE **Cost:-** £?? **Band:- Ian Thomson** **Organiser:-** Laurencekirk Club **Contact:-** gladyslum-gair888@btinternet.com **Event:-** Club Dance

Programme:- A Babbling Brooke ; A Castle in the Air ; The Rose of the North ; The Flying Spur ; The Sailor ; Culla Bay ; Lassie Come And Dance With Me ; Staircase In Styria ; The Orchards of Co. Armagh ; Kamo Karousel
Interval Welcome to Ayr ; The Earl of Mansfield ; Linnea's Strathspey ; Spiffin' ; The Provost Wynd ; Stagger Dream ; The Snake Pass ; Lothian Lads ; Miss Eleanor ; The Deil Amang the Tailors.

Date:- Saturday 15th November **Time:-** 7.30 pm **Venue:-** Nairn Community Centre, King Street, IV12 4BQ **Cost:-** £?? **Band:- Frank Thomson** **Organiser:-** None Listed **Contact:-** None Listed **Event:-** Earl Haig Dance
<https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/64261/>

Programme:- Granville Market ; Wind Dragon ; Linnea's Strathspey ; Centenary Jig ; Lass from Stonehaven ; Water of Leith ; Jennifer's Jig ; Tessa's Reel ; City of Belfast ; Flight of the Lancaster **Interval** Joie de Vivre ; Toast to the Mousies ; MacDonald of Keppoch ; Waternish Tangle ; Forres Frolic ; Autumn in Appin ; Jubilee Jig ; Ramadan-ce ; We'll Meet Again ; Highland Rambler.

Date:- Friday 21st November **Time:-** 2pm – 5pm **Venue:-** Walker Hall, South Beach, Troon KA10 6EF **Cost:-** £12 **Band:- Ewan Galloway** **Organiser:-** Ayr Branch **Contact:-** Wilma Brown 01292 315 558 **Event:-** Branch Dance <https://www.ayr-rscds.com/workshop>

Programme:- Machine Without Horses ; Festival Fling ; Byron Strathspey ; Starry Eyed Lassie ; Trip to Bavaria ; Falkirk Lass ; Jubilee Jig ; Back to the Fireside **Interval** EH3 7AF ; Catch the Wind ; Butterscotch & Honey ; Kelloholm Jig ; Baldovan Reel ; Cashmere Shawl ; Follow Me Home ; Reel of the Royal Scots.

Date:- Friday 21st November **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Pathhead Church Hall, 38 Harriet Street, Kirkcaldy KY1 2AG **Cost:-** £10 **Band:- James Coutts** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Kirkcaldy **Contact:-** rscdskirkcaldy@yahoo.com **Event:-** Winter Dance. Raffle. Buffet Supper. <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/42385/>

Programme:- Shetland Shepherdess ; Back to the Fireside ; MacDonald of Keppoch ; Chequered Court ; Scott Meikle ; Cherrybank Gardens ; Muirland Willie ; Reel of the Royal Scots **Interval** It's Just for Fun ; We've Nae Electric ; Miss Dorothy Leurs ; Loch Fitty Jig ; Montgomerie's Rant ; We'll Meet Again ; Pelorus Jack ; Mrs MacPherson of Inveran.

Date:- Friday 21st November **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Gordon Memorial Hall, Courthill Road, Rosemarkie, Ross-shire, IV10 8UE **Cost:-** £?? **Band:- Nicol McLaren** **Organiser:-** Fortrose Rally **Contact:-** 01381 621 309 **Event:-** Dance <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/61734/>

Programme:- Granville Market ; Glastonbury Ter ; James Senior of St Andrews ; Snake Pass ; Flight of the Lancaster ; Tullynessie and Forbes Hall ; Tattie Bogle ; Hoy Tensome ; Jean Martin of Aberdeen ; Pines of Pitlochry **Supper** Shetland Shepherdess ; Merry Mayhem ; Johnnie Walker ; Welcome to Dufftown ; Kissing Bridge ; Merchant City ; Bees of Maggieknockater ; Lochalsh Reel ; Indian River Strathspey ; Gaelforce Wind.

Date:- Saturday 22nd November **Time:-** 2pm - 5.30pm **Venue:-** Banchory Town Hall, 1 Kinneskie Road, Banchory, AB31 5NA **Cost:-** £10/£3 **Band:- Crynoch Band** **Organiser:-** Banchory Club **Contact:-** marjw67@gmail.com **Event:-** Club Dance https://www.cantab.net/users/WebSiteFun_132115/Dancing/NE_DanceDiary.html

Programme Nice to See You ; Yorkshire Rose ; Minister on the Loch ; Mary Erskine ; Findhorn Bay ; Triple Happiness ; Farewell to Balfour Road ; Yan Tan Tethera ; Dancing in Perthshire ; Maxwell Rant **Interval** It's Nae Bother ; The Third Forth Bridge ; Portincaple Oak ; Baldy Squash ; Bonnie Dundee ; Orchard's of Co Armagh ; Drunken Sailor ; Deil Amang the Tailors. **Extras:-** Scott Meikle ; Shiftin Bobbins.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCES

Date:- Saturday 22nd November Time:- 7pm – 10.30pm Venue:- Westerton Hall, 82 Maxwell Avenue, Bearsden G61 1NZ **Cost:-** £15 at door or in advance **Band:- David Oswald Trio** **Organiser:-** Glasgow University Club **Contact:-** guscdc1955@gmail.com **Event:-** Glasgow University Students Ball <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/61850/> **Celestial Night Sky Theme.** <https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=1429129799215648&set=a.525731219555515> **Programme** Festival Interceltique ; There are no Kangaroos in Austria (basic version) ; Islay Strathspey ; Maxwell's Rant ; Portincaple Oak ; Adelle's Jig ; Weakest Link ; Craigtoun Park ; Yorkshire Rose ; All the King's Men ; Joie de Vivre ; Gramachie ; Piper and the Penguin ; First Love ; Markinch Mars Bar King ; Cabrach ; Farewell to Balfour Road ; Highland Rambler ; Deil Amang the Tailors ; Galloping Carousel ; Catch the Wind.

Date:- Saturday 22nd November Time:- 7pm-11pm Venue:- Old Mill Hall, Grove, Oxfordshire OX12 7LB **Cost:-** £27/£20 **Band:- Craigellachie Band** **Organiser:-** Harwell & Abingdon Clubs **Contact:-** treasurer@harwellscdc.mno.org.uk **Event:-** 2025 St Andrew's Ball <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/57425/> **Programme:-** Welcome to Ayr ; Swiss Lassie ; The Duchess Tree ; Harlequin ; Polharrow Burn ; The Glengarry Homestead ; The Pines Of Pitlochry ; The Robertson Rant ; Farewell to Balfour Road ; Trip to Timber Ridge **Interval** Grand March ; The Piper and the Penguin ; Midsummer Common ; Seton's Ceilidh Band ; The Rutland Reel ; S-Locomotion ; The Flying Spur ; Mr Iain Stuart Robertson ; **Five-Couple MacDonald of the Isles (Big Mac)** ; The Zoologist ; The Reel of the 51st Division.

Date:- Saturday 22nd November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Ward Road Gym, 14 Ward Road, Dundee DD1 1NE **Cost:-** £?? **Band:- James Coutts** **Organiser:-** Dundee University Students SCD Club **Contact:-** None Listed **Event:-** Students Dance <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/63683/> **Programme:-** Star Trek ; Domino Five ; Byron Strathspey ; Cranberry Tart ; J B Milne ; Bunting Bee ; Triangulation ; Montgomerie's Rant **Interval** Waltz ; Postie's Jig ; Johnnie Walker ; St Andrew's Fair ; Deil Amang the Tailors ; Gentleman ; Jindalee Jig ; Duke of Perth. Extras: Up in the Air ; Trip to Bavaria.

Date:- Saturday 22nd November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Milngavie Town Hall, 71 Station Road G62 8BZ **Cost:-** £12/£6 **Band:- Susan MacFadyen** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Glasgow **Contact:-** events@rscdsglasgow.org **Event:-** Nice 'n Easy Dance <https://www.rscdsglasgow.org/dances> **Programme:** Hospitality Circle ; Virginia Reel ; Bunting Bee ; Happy Meeting ; Loch Ness Monster Reel ; Lady Glasgow ; Postie's Jig **Interval** Domino Five ; It's All Right ; Friendships ; Hedwig's Reel ; Le Papillon ; 12 Coates Crescent ; Highland Rambler.

Date:- Saturday 22nd November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Bridge of Allan Parish Church, Keir Street, Bridge of Allan, FK9 4NW **Cost:-** £10 **Band:- Nicol McLaren** **Organiser:-** Castle Club **Contact:-** Janet Johnston 07518 202 657 **Event:-** Castle Club Dance with Raffle. <http://www.stirlingcastleclub.org> **Programme** Peggy Dewar ; The Galloping Carousel ; Johnnie Walker ; The Buckie Loon ; Pines of Pitlochry ; The Silver Tassie ; Catch the Wind ; I.P.F.T.A. ; Return to Shildale ; The White Heather Jig **Interval** The Black Mountain Reel ; Jennifer's Jig ; MacDonald of the Isles ; None So Pretty ; The Laird of Milton's Daughter ; Mrs Milne of Kinneff ; The Chequered Court ; Mairi's Wedding

Date:- Friday 28th November Time:- 8 pm – 12mn Venue:- Speymouth Hall, Stynie Road, Mosstodloch IV32 7JX **Cost:-** £10/£5 **Band:- Frank Thomson Duo** **Organiser:-** Mosstodloch Class **Contact:-** rscdsbanffshire@gmail.com **Event:-** Class Dance. Light Supper at Interval – Contact Isobel Turner on 01542 834 398 <https://rscdsbanffshire.wixsite.com/banffshire/rscdsbanffshirebranchdancediary> https://www.cantab.net/users/WebSiteFun_132115/Dancing/NE_DanceDiary.html

Programme:- Hooper's Jig ; Catch the Wind ; Farewell to Helensburgh ; Kathy's Fascinator ; The Hills of Alba ; We'll Meet Again ; Jubilee Jig ; The Anniversary Reel ; Miss Eleanor ; Gothenburg's Welcome ; Festival Fling **Interval** Pelorus Jack ; The Music Makars ; Dancing in Perthshire I Alan J. Smith ; The Inimitable Derek ; Chasing the Eclipse ; The Dancing Master ; Midnight Oil ; Compliments to Jessie Bain ; It's Just for Fun ; Mairi's Wedding.

Date:- Friday 28th November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Victoria Hall, Dunblane FK15 9EX **Cost:-** £10 **Band:-** **Marian Anderson** **Organiser:-** Stirling Branch **Contact:-** Jane Balman 01786 822 853 jcbalman@hotmail.com
Event:- Autumn Dance <http://www.rscds-stirling.org/events.html> *Dances to be walked *

Programme:- Swiss Lassie ; The Aviator ; Far North Queensland ; Trip to Timber Ridge ; * Welcome to Nerja * : Cuillins of Skye ; Lady Sophia Lindsay ; Torridon Lassies ; Ramadan-ce **Interval** Falls of Rogie ; Farewell to Balfour Road ; * Darlington Dancer * : Staircase in Styria ; Gothenburg's Welcome ; City of Belfast ; Nottingham Lace ; Birls Allowed ; Mrs MacPherson of Inveran.

Date:- Friday 28th November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- St Stephen's West Church Hall, 96 Dundee Road, Broughty Ferry, DD5 1DW **Cost:-** £?? **Band:-** **Scott Band** **Organiser:-** Broughty Ferry Club
Contact:- Kate Dean katedean57@gmail.com **Event:-** Autumn Dance (rescheduled from October)
<https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/63643/>

Programme:- Nice to See You ; Shetland Shepherdess ; Kinclaven Bridge ; Flight of the Lancaster ; Nurseryman ; Koi Medley ; Orpington Caledonians ; For King & Country ; Scallywag **Interval** Baldovan Reel ; Yorkshire Rose ; Cape Town Wedding ; Robert's Rant ; Ian Powrie's Farewell to Auchterarder ; Publisher ; Kelloholm Jig ; Mairi's Wedding.

Date:- Saturday 29th November Time:- 7pm – 11pm Venue:- Danestone Community Centre, Fairview Street, Danestone, Aberdeen AB22 8ZP **Cost:-** £15 **Band:-** **Crynock** **Organiser:-** Aberdeen University Students.
Contact:- <https://www.ausea.org.uk/organisation/ausds/> **Event:-** <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/63726/>
Interval Food & Hot Drinks. Tickets at door or through website.

Programme:- Across the Brandywine ; Sailor ; Black Mountain Reel ; Northern Lights ; Captain White ; Swashbuckling Dread Pirate Roberts ; Johnnie Walker ; Clansman ; Seagreen ; Gaelforce Wind ; Elphinstone Jig ; Gang the Same Gate ; Fisherman's Reel ; Old Nick's Lumber Room ; Mairi's Wedding.

Date:- Saturday 29th November Time:- 7pm Venue:- Braithwaite Institute, Braithwaite, Keswick, CA12 5RY
Cost:- £16 **Advance Ticket** **Band:-** **Sandy Nixon Trio** **Organiser:-** Cockermouth Club **Contact:-** Linda McMillan cscdcsecretary@gmail.com **Event:-** St Andrew's Dance. Buffet Supper and a glass of wine.
Booking form at <https://derwentscdc.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/10/St-Andrews-2025-Flyer.pdf>

Programme:- Hooper's Jig ; Saint Andrew's Day ; The Swan and the Tay ; The Waternish Tangle ; The Plantation Reel ; The Cockermouth Floods ; Peggy Dewar ; Monica's Way ; Betty Grant's Strathspey ; Trip to Timber Ridge
Interval The Galloping Carousel ; Fair Donald ; The Piper and the Penguin ; The Flight of the Falcon ; Kinclaven Bridge ; Joie de Vivre ; West's Hornpipe ; Lord Brownlow's Strathspey ; Mrs Stewart's Jig ; Montgomerie's Rant.

Date:- Saturday 29th November Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Inverleith St Serf's Church Centre, 1a Clark Road, Edinburgh EH5 3BD **Cost:-** £12 / £10 **Band:-** **Susan MacFadyen** **Organiser:-** Trinity Club **Contact:-** secretary.trinityscdc@gmail.com **Event:-** Club Bi-Weekly Dance. Annual Club Membership £20.
<https://www.trinityscdc.org/> *Dance Walked*

Programme:- A Wee Touch of Class ; Seno's Stone ; *Perpetua* ; St Andrew's Fair ; Reel of the Gordon Highlanders ; Rose of the North ; Snake Pass ; Lochalsh Reel **Interval** Roaring Jelly ; Burniboosle ; Argyll Strathspey ; Seton's Ceilidh Band ; Falls of Rogie Dunfermline to Sarasota ; Tribute to the Borders ; Final Reel.

Date:- Monday 1st December Time:- 7.15pm Venue:- Abbeyview Community Hub, Dunfermline KY11 4HA.
Cost:- £5 **Band:-** **Phill Jones** **Organiser:-** Dunfermline Branch **Contact:-** **Reserve Ticket at** dec25@rscds-dline.org.uk **Event:-** St Andrew's Night Dance Light Supper included.
<http://www.rscds-dline.org.uk/st-andrews-night-2025/>

Programme:- EH3 7AF ; Catch the Wind ; Wisp of Thistle ; St Andrew's Fair ; Reel of the Royal Scots ; 12 Coates Crescent ; Back to the Fireside ; Alan J Smith ; Hooper's Jig ; Scott Meikle ; St Columba's Strathspey ; Maxwell's Rant ; Tribute to the Borders ; Mrs Milne of Kinneff ; Pelorus Jack ; Highland Rambler.

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Date:- Friday 5th December Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Milngavie Town Hall, 71 Station Road G62 8BZ
Cost:- £12/£6 **Band:- David Oswald** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Glasgow **Contact:-** Margaret Sanders
events@rscdsglasgow.org **Event:- Xmas Dance** <https://www.rscdsglasgow.org/dances>
Programme Hooper's Jig ; Back to the Fireside ; Orchards of Co Armagh ; Christmas at the Heath ; Da Rain Dancin' ;
 Ice Crystals ; Shetland Shepherdess ; Peat Fire Flame ; **Interval** Liquid Assets ; Whistling wind ; Robertson Rant ;
 Pelorus Jack ; Countess of Dunmore's Reel ; Silver Tassie ; Happy Christmas ; Turkey Trot.

Date:- Friday 5th December Time:- 7.15pm Venue:- Corn Exchange, Market Square, Melrose TD6 9PN **Cost:-**
 £8 **Band:- Colin Dewar** **Organiser:-** St Mary's Class **Contact:-** Meg Robbie mrobbie123@btinternet.com
Event:- Dance. *Bring own Supper and cup/mug.* <https://www.scotdancediary.co.uk/images/Programmes/Melrose%20051225.pdf> <https://rspscottishcountrydancing.webnode.co.uk/cribs/>

Programme:- Happy Returns ; Machine Without Horses ; Sugar Candie ; Countess of Dunmore's Reel ;
 Mrs Stewart's Jig ; Water of Leith ; Miss Johnstone of Ardrossan ; Kathy's Fascinator ; Birks of Invermay ; Irish Rover
Interval Toast to the Mousies ; Canadian Landscape ; Luckenbooth Brooch ; Neidpath Castle ; Scott Meikle ;
 Deil Amang the Tailors.

Date:- Friday 5th December Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- East Linton Community Hall, 73 High Street EH40 3BQ
Cost:- £12 **Band:- Matthew MacLennan** **Organiser:-** RSCDS East Lothian **Contact:-** Melodie Peters Tel.
 01875 340 336 **Event:-** Monthly Dance <http://rscdseastlothian.org.uk/dance.diary.htm>

Programme:- No programme available

Date:- Saturday 6th December Time:- 6.30pm Venue:- Canon Hoban Hall, 34 West Main Street, Broxburn
 EH52 5RJ **Cost:-** ££ Advance Ticket **Band:- Lindsay Weir** **Organiser:-** RSCDS West Lothian **Contact:-**
 Graham Dickson secretary@rscdswestlothian.org.uk **Event:- Dinner Dance Advance Ticket**
<https://rscdswestlothian.org.uk/events/>

Programme:- Wild Geese ; The Kissing Bridge ; The Gentleman ; A Wee Touch of Class ; The Highland Lass ;
 The Dreamcatcher ; Campbell's Frolic ; Portnacraig ; The Kelloholm Jig ; Culla Bay ; Back to the Fireside ;
 Best Set in the Hall ; Cherrybank Gardens ; The Deil Amang the Tailors

Date:- Saturday 6th December Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Bridge of Allan Parish Church, Keir Street, Bridge of
 Allan, FK9 4NW **Cost:-** £10 **Band:- David Oswald** **Organiser:-** Castle Club **Contact:-** Janet Johnston 07518 202
 657 **Event:-** Castle Club Dance with **Charity Raffle for CHAS** <http://www.stirlingcastleclub.org>

Programme The Happy Meeting ; Donna's Dancing Shoes ; Margaret Parker's Strathspey ; Major Ian Stewart ;
 The Earl of Mansfield ; The Cashmere Shawl ; Come up to the Top ; Toast to the Mousies ; The Road to Mallaig ;
 Bratach Bana **Interval** The Kelloholm Jig ; Clutha ; Sugar Candie ; Alan Ross's Reel ; Rodney's Rant ;
 City of Belfast ; The Aviator ; Maxwell's Rant.

Date:- Saturday 6th December Time:- 7.30pm – 10pm Venue:- Ward Road Gym, 14 Ward Road, Dundee
 DD1 1NE **Cost:-** £10/£6 **Band:- Scott Band Duo** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Dundee **Contact:-** rscdsdun-dee@gmail.com **Event:-** **Beginners Christmas Dance.** *Dances will be walked. See weblink for dress code and
 parking availability.* <https://rscds-dundee.org.uk/beginners-dance>

Programme:- Circassian Circle ; Witches' Reel ; Mad Hatter ; *Gay Gordons* ; Johnnie Walker ; Deil Amang the
 Tailors ; Waratah Weaver ; Reel of the 51st Division **Interval** *Dashing White Sergeant* ; Flowers of Edinburgh
Canadian Barn Dance ; Eightsome Reel ; Waltz Country Dance ; Highland Rambler ; Virginia Reel.
Extras:- Riverside Jig ; Dunedin Festival Dance.

Date:- Tuesday 9th December Time:- 7.45pm – 10.15pm Venue:- Pillar Hall, Victoria Hall, Sinclair Street, Helensburgh G84 8TU **Cost:-** £10 **Band:-** **Màrtainn Skene** **Organiser:-** Helensburgh Tuesday Club **Contact:-** am_thorn@hotmail.co.uk **Event:-** **Tuesday Club Xmas Party** ***Ticket must be reserved by email.***

Programme:- Joie de Vivre ; Scott Meikle ; Miss Gibson's Strathspey ; Blue Dragonfly ; Ardnahoe ; Shiftin' Bobbins **Interval** A Wee Touch o' Class ; Staircase in Styria ; Orchards of Co Armagh ; Yorkshire Rose ; Neidpath Castle ; Highland Rambler. **Extra:-** Mairi's Wedding

Date:- Friday 12th December Time:- 7.30pm **Venue:-** Ashdale Hall, Westhills, Aberdeen AB32 6FY. **Cost:-** ??? **Band:-** **David Oswald** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Aberdeen **Contact:-** aberdeenrscds@hotmail.co.uk **Event:-** **Christmas Dance.** <https://www.aberdeenrscds.co.uk/events>

Programme:- Welcome to Ayr ; A Hundred Years Since ; Balmoral Strathspey ; Scallywag ; Polharrow Burn ; Canadian Landscape ; Flight of the Falcon ; A Christmas Ceilidh ; Portincaple Oak ; Mark and Susie's Jig **Interval** Inverneill House ; Cranberry Tart ; Royal Wedding ; Bill Clement MBE ; Dunivard Reel ; Miss Eleanor ; Inchmickery ; Fraser's Favourite ; Bruce's Men ; Reel of the Royal Scots.

Date:- Friday 12th December Time:- 7pm for 7.30pm **Venue:-** Glen Pavilion, Pittencrieff Park, KY12 8AN **Cost:-** £37/£39 **Band:-** **James Coutts** **Organiser:-** Dunfermline Branch **Contact:-** Dunfermline.ball2025@rscds-dline.org.uk **Event:-** **Annual Ball.** Cribbs at <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/61095/> Application Form at <http://www.rscds-dline.org.uk/dunfermline-ball-2025/>

Programme:- Joie de Vivre ; Maxwell's Rant ; The Gentleman ; Best Set in the Hall ; Glenalmond Gamekeeper ; Far North Queensland ; Glastonbury Tor ; Johnnie Walker ; Irish Rover **Interval** Falls of Rogie ; Dancing Master ; La Française Écosse ; Bratach Bana ; Hazel Tree ; Belle of Bon Accord ; Luckenbooth Brooch ; Highland Rambler.

Date:- Friday 12th December Time:- 7.30pm **Venue:-** St Michaels Kirk Hall, Kirkgate, Linlithgow EH49 7AL **Cost:-** £10/£5 **Band:-** **Marian Anderson** **Organiser:-** Linlithgow Club **Contact:-** jacquireynolds@live.co.uk **Event:-** Christmas Party <http://www.linlithgowscdc.org/events.html>

Programme:- EH3 7AF ; The Meeting of the Waters ; The Orchards of Co Armagh ; Ramadan-ce ; Midnight Oil ; The Gentleman ; The Elephant's Stampede ; Duke of Perth **Interval** Best Set in the Hall ; Scott Meikle ; Gang the Same Gate ; Staircase in Styria ; City of Belfast ; Luckenbooth Brooch ; Deil Amang the Tailors. **Extra:** Swiss Lassie.

Date:- Friday 12th December Time:- 7.30pm **Venue:-** Dumfries High School, Bane Loaning, Dumfries DG1 1PX **Cost:-** TBA **Band:-** **Ewan Galloway** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Dumfries **Contact:-** Linda Shankland lindarscdssec24@yahoo.com **Event:-** Christmas Dance <https://www.dumfries-rscds.org/content/events/>

Programme:- TBA

Date:- Saturday 13th December Time:- 7.30pm **Venue:-** Cardross Parish Church Hall, Station Rd, Cardross, G82 5NL **Cost:-** £12 **Band:-** **Sandy Nixon** **Organiser:-** Helensburgh Branch **Contact:-** Roy Bain roy.bain@btinternet.com **Event:-** **Xmas Dance with Raffle.** *Contact Roy to reserve ticket.* <https://rscds-helensburgh.org.uk/dances/>

Programme:- Granville Market ; Orchards of Co Armagh ; Scott Meikle ; Ecclefechan Feline ; St Columba's Strathspey ; Shiftin Bobbins ; Shetland Shepherdess ; Everything Stops for Tea **Interval** Miss Johnstone of Ardrossan ; Pelorus Jack ; Moment of Truth ; Brecon in March ; Posties Jig ; Paisley Weavers ; Christmas Ceilidh.

SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCES

Date:- Monday 15th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Kay Park Church Hall, London Road, Kilmarnock KA3 7AA **Cost:-** £8 **Band:- Ian Muir** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Kilmarnock **Contact:-** Diane rscdskilmarnock-branchsec@gmail.com **Event:-** **Christmas Party** <http://rscdskilmarnock.org/crib-sheets>

Programme:- Lady Home's Jig ; Dancing Bees ; Moray Rant ; Yorkshire Rose ; Countess of Dunmore's Reel ; Cashmere Shawl ; Montgomeries' Rant **Interval** Rodney's Rant ; Lochalsh Reel ; Thank You Patricia ; Duke of Atholl's Reel ; Lady Sophia Lindsay ; Miss Milligan's Strathspey ; Laird of Milton's Daughter.

Date:- Monday 15th December **Time:-** ?? **Venue:-** Church of Scotland Centre, Glencruitten Road, Oban, PA34 4DN **Cost:-** £?? **Band:-** ????? **Organiser:-** Oban Branch **Contact:-** Sue Porter 07753 593 668 sue.porter3@btopenworld.com **Event:-** Branch Members Christmas Party <https://rscdsoban.com/>

Programme:- To be announced

Date:- Monday 15th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Aboyne Victory Hall, Ballater Rd, Aboyne AB34 5HY **Cost:-** £10 **Band:- Michael Taylor** **Organiser:-** Aboyne Club **Contact:-** ruthhousden75@gmail.com **Event:-** Aboyne **Christmas Party** https://www.cantab.net/users/WebSiteFun_132115/Dancing/NE_DanceDiary.html

Programme:- Centenary Jig ; Bratach Bana ; Isobel Ross of Ballachulish ; Cool as a Cucumber ; Bea's Delight ; MacDonald of the Isles ; Leven Lass ; J B Milne **Interval** Itchy Feet ; St Columba's Strathspey ; Peat Fire Flame ; Welcome to Dufftown ; Heather Dewar ; Kenora Reel ; Farewell to Balfour Road ; Red Rose Strathspey ; Mrs MacLeod of Raasay.

Date:- Tuesday 16th December **Time:-** 7.45pm – 10pm **Venue:-** Milnorduff Hall, Elgin IV30 8TJ **Cost:-** £5 **Band:- Susie Simpson** **Organiser:-** Milnorduff Club **Contact:-** milnorduffscd03@gmail.com **Event:-** **Christmas Party Charity Dance.** All Proceeds to Charity. <https://www.invernessrscds.co.uk/dance-diary.asp>

Programme:- To Be Announced

Date:- Wednesday 17th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Chalmers Hall, Linlithgow Bridge EH49 7PW **Cost:-** £8 **Band:- Colin Dewar** **Organiser:-** Linlithgow Club **Contact:-** jacquireynolds@live.co.uk **Event:-** Christmas Ceilidh. Children under 16 FREE provided accompanied by an adult. <http://www.linlithgowscdc.org/events.html>

Programme:- To be decided on the night.

Date:- Wednesday 17th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Marybank Hall, Achonochie Rd, IV6 7UN Ross-shire (approx Post Code) **Cost:-** £10 **Band:- Marian & Max** **Organiser:-** Marybank Club **Contact:-** 01463 718 990 **Event:-** **Christmas Dance with Light Supper.**

<https://www.invernessrscds.co.uk/dance-diary.asp>

Programme:- To Be Announced

Date:- Friday 19th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Bridge of Allan Parish Church, Keir Street, Bridge of Allan, FK9 4NW **Cost:-** £10 **Band:- Colin Dewar** **Organiser:-** Stirling Branch **Contact:-** Jane Balman 01786 822 853 jcbalman@hotmail.com **Event:-** **Christmas Dance** <http://www.rscds-stirling.org/events.html>

*Dances to be walked *

Programme:- Australian Ladies ; Diamond Jubilee ; Argyll Strathspey ; * A Driving Reel * ; Best Set in the Hall ; Cherrybank Gardens ; Recumbent Stone ; Loch Fitty Jig ; Meeting of the Waters **Interval** Cramond Bridge ; Jim's Haberdashery ; * Thank You Patricia * ; Plantation Reel ; Jennifer's Jig ; Chasing the Eclipse ; Lochalsh Reel ; Rodney's Rant ; Back to the Fireside.

Date:- Saturday 20th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Inverleith St Serf's Church Centre, 1a Clark Road, Edinburgh EH5 3BD **Cost:-** £12 / £10 **Band:-** **Marian Anderson** **Organiser:-** Trinity Club
Contact:- secretary.trinityscdc@gmail.com **Event:-** Club Bi-Weekly Dance. Annual Club Membership £20.
<https://www.trinityscdc.org/>

Programme:- To Be Announced

Date:- Saturday 27th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Robert Douglas Memorial Institute, 102 Abbey Road, Scone PH2 6RU **Cost:-** £?? **Band:-** **James Coutts** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Perth **Contact:-** Janice MacDonald jancmacd@hotmail.co.uk **Event:-** End of Year Dance <https://www.rscds-perthandperthshire.com/classes-dances-events/>

Programme:- To Be Announced

Date:- Monday 29th December **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Nairn Community Centre, King Street, IV12 4BQ **Cost:-** £12 **Band:-** **Susie Simpson** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Forres **Contact:-** scottishdanceforres@gmail.com **Event:-** Christmas Dance with Light Supper. <https://www.invernessrscds.co.uk/dance-diary.asp>

Programme:- To Be Announced

Date:- Tuesday 30th December **Time:-** 2pm – 5pm **Venue:-** Ardgay Public Hall, Carron Place, Ardgay IV24 3BQ **Cost:-** FREE **Band:-** **CDs** **Organiser:-** Ardgay Club **Contact:-** 01863 766 852 **Event:-** **Twixmas Dance** – NO raffle.

Programme:- To Be Announced

Date:- Wednesday 31st December **Time:-** 8pm – 12-30am **Venue:-** Bridge of Allan Parish Church, Keir Street, Bridge of Allan, FK9 4NW **Cost:-** £25 **Advance Ticket** **Band:-** **Marian & Max** **Organiser:-** Mary MacKechnie **Contact:-** marymackechnie024@gmail.com **Event:-** **Hogmanay Hoolie**. Please note there is no facility to heat food. Dancers should bring a cold supper. Tea/coffee supplied.

Programme:- *The Gay Gordons* ; The Falls of Rogie ; The Dancing Master ; Chasing the Eclipse ; *Britannia Two Step* ; Farewell to Balfour Road ; Lochalsh Reel ; Jean Martin of Aberdeen ; *Canadian Barn Dance* ; Ramadan-ce ; The Aviator ; The Orchards of Co. Armagh ; Father Connelly's Jig **Interval & Supper** The Meeting of the Waters ; Gothenburg's Welcome ; Far North Queensland ; *The Boston Two step* ; Staircase in Styria ; The Hazel Tree ; City of Belfast ; City of Stirling Reel ; Birls Allowed ; *Waltz*.

Date:- Wednesday 31st December **Time:-** 8pm – 12.15am **Venue:-** Penrith Parish Centre, Penrith CA11 7XX (Parking in Friargate) **Cost:-** £?? **Band:-** **TBA** **Organiser:-** Penrith & District Club **Contact:-** Christine Sutherland christinepsutherland@gmail.com **Event:-** **New Year's Eve Dance**. Shared Supper. <https://rscdscarlisle.co.uk/event/new-years-eve-dance-8pm-till-12-15am/>

Programme:- To Be Announced

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Date:- Saturday 3rd January **Time:-** 7.30pm **Venue:-** Inverleith St Serf's Church Centre, 1a Clark Road, Edinburgh EH5 3BD **Cost:-** £12 / £10 **Band:-** **Colin Dewar** **Organiser:-** Trinity Club
Contact:- secretary.trinityscdc@gmail.com **Event:-** Club Bi-Weekly Dance. Annual Club Membership £20.
<https://www.trinityscdc.org/>

Programme:- To Be Announced

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Date:- Friday 9th January Time:- 7.30pm Venue:- Ardrossan Civic Centre, 150 Glasgow St, Ardrossan, KA22 8EU
Cost:- £12 **Band:- Sandy Nixon** **Organiser:-** RSCDS North Ayrshire **Contact:-** Trish Lorraine tickets@narscds.org.uk
Event:- New Year Dance with raffle. Dancers are invited to *bring own Supper*. Tea and Coffee will be provided.
https://www.narscds.org.uk/new_year_ball_Ardrossan.html
Programme:- New Year Jig ; Orpington Caledonians ; Linnea's Strathspey ; MacLeod's Fancy ; Toast to the Mousies ; Bonnie Gallowa ; The Dancing Shepherds **Interval** Baldovan Reel ; MacDonald of Keppoch ; Chased Lovers ; Miss Johnstone of Ardrossan ; Broadway ; Yorkshire Rose ; The Reel of the Royal Scots. **Extras-** Pelorus Jack ; Maxwell's Rant.

Date:- Saturday 10th January Time:- 7.30pm – 10pm Venue:- Parish Church Hall, Colquhoun Street, Helensburgh G84 8UP **Cost:-** £5 **Band:- Matthew MacLennan** **Organiser:-** Helensburgh Branch **Contact:-** am_thorn@hotmail.co.uk
Event:- Branch Members Dance <https://rscds-helensburgh.org.uk/dances/> **Branch Members Only tonight.**
Programme:- New Year jig ; Black Mountain reel ; Midsummer Common ; Bees of Maggie Knockater ; Snowdrops in the Glen ; Wind on Loch Fyne ; Best Set in the Hall **Interval** Portincaple Oak ; Raven's Dance ; MacDonald of the Isles ; A Touch of Tartan ; Seton's Ceilidh Band ; Miss Gibson's Strathspey ; Laird of Milton's Daughter.

Date:- Saturday 10th January Time:- 2pm Venue:- North Kessock Hall, Marine Park, IV1 3XS **Cost:-** £12 **Band:- Colin Dewar & Gus Miller** **Organiser:-** peggyrose283@gmail.com **Contact:-** Peggy Rose 07746 548 523
Event:- Hall Fundraiser. Raffle <https://my.strathspey.org/dd/list/62279/>
Programme:- New Year Jig ; Mrs Macleod (Of Raasay) ; The Dream Catcher ; The Diamond Anniversary ; We've Nae Electric ; Canadian Landscape ; Chased Lovers ; The Plantation Reel ; Jean Martin Of Aberdeen ; The Peat Road **Interval And Raffle** Rougemont Castle ; Kamo Karousel ; The Flitting Of Lorn ; Lagavulin ; The White Heather Jig ; Scott Meikle ; The Speyside Way ; Gus's Reel ; Red Kites Over The Black Isle ; Sweethearting Nightshade (*Anagram Of Dashing White Sergeant*).

Date:- Saturday 10th January Time:- 6.30pm Venue:- Invercarse Hotel, Perth Road, Dundee, DD2 1PG **Cost:-** £40
Band:- Luke Brady **Organiser:-** RSCDS Dundee **Contact:-** Mary Cant 01382 580 415 **Event:- First Foot Ball.**
For Application Form <https://rscds-dundee.org.uk/first-foot-ball>
Programme:- Meal at 7pm. Dancing 8.15pm ; ; The Granville Market ; The Sailor ; The Bridge of Nairn ; The Waternish Tangle ; The Reverend John MacFarlane ; The Silver Tassie ; Major Ian Stewart ; Canadian Landscape ; Highland Rambler **Interval** The Edinburgh Toy Shop ; Elspeth Gray's Reel ; The Birks of Invermay ; City Lights ; Mrs MacLeod ; The Asilomar Romantic ; A Capital Jig ; The Orchards of County Armagh ; Deil Amang the Tailors .

Date:- Saturday 10th January Time:- 2pm – 4pm Venue:- Robert Douglas Memorial Institute, 102 Abbey Road, Scone PH2 6RU **Cost:-** Entry by Donation **Band:- David Oswald** **Organiser:-** RSCDS Perth **Contact:-** Rod Purcell perthscds@gmail.com **Event:- First of a series of four Afternoon Dances with Raffle.**
<https://www.rscds-perthandperthshire.com/classes-dances-events/>

Programme:- New Year jig ; The Sailor ; Barbara's Strathspey ; Chased Lovers ; Black Mountain Reel **Interval** Jubilee Jig ; Letham Ladies ; Donna's Dancing Shoes ; Chasing the Eclipse ; Edinburgh Toy Shop.