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STARDOWNERS

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Ray Brendzy



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DANCING A - 1

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Singles Board

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Saint Patrick's dance - March 17.

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LETS DANCE AGAIN! Plus dancing resumes March 1 7:00 Atchelitz Hall.
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Vaccination is required please bring your vaccine card for scanning. Masks
required when not dancing and encouraged when dancing. So looking
forward to seeing you!

Nightly dance fees remain the same as before; \$6 for members (Plus) and \$5 (beginners/
Mainstream).

No coffee, tea or food will be served for the month of March at Atchelitz Hall or Greendale School.

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FRASER VALLEY SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE ASSOCIATION

President's Message

The following executive position are vacant:

- President
- Vice President
- Chair—Scroll of Honour Committee

We need YOUR help to get us back dancing. Leadership at this time is more important than ever.

Contact anyone on the current executive if you are interested in talking more about joining the FVS&RDA executive team.

BRENT'S BUNCH

Plus Dancing & Rounds - Thursdays 7:30-9:15pm

Caller/Cuer: Brent Mawdsley (604-594-8622)

Dancing: March 3, 10, 17 🍀 & 31

Dark: March 24

Burnaby Lake Pavilion, 6781 Roberts St.

Guests \$8/person (card payment available)

Hearing Assist available & Singles welcome

COVID Safety Plan at brentsbunch.blogspot.com

Proof of vaccination & masks required while dancing



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THE FOUR SCORE AND MORE CLUB!

This is a club that is reserved only for qualifying candidates.

To qualify you must be an active square and / or round dancer who eighty years or older and a member of the BCS&RD Federation and the FVS&RDA

Badges and name bar for this club are available free of charge

from Sandi Poje

e-mail spoje@vmails.com or phone 604-459-3220

A name bar will be attached to the Four Score and More Badge, but in order to receive the badges you must add the correct spelling of the name you wish to have on the badge and the complete birth date to qualify to receive the badge and name bar.

Compliments of the BC Square and Round Dance Federation and
the Fraser Valley Square and Round Dance Association



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Welcome Back !

Square Dancing started up on Tuesday, Feb 22nd
at Burnaby Lake Pavilion, 6871 Roberts Street, Burnaby
7 - 9:30 p.m.

Feb 22 and March 1st are the only free dance nights.

Round Dancing started on February 27th
at Charles Rummel 3630 Lozells Ave. Burnaby,
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Feb 27 and March 6th will be the only complimentary door fees
Door fees will then return to **\$7.00 per person at both halls.**

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Website and Event Calendar: www.region2.squaredance.bc.ca

Facebook: www.facebook.com/sssqdancebc



Modern Square and Round Dance Club

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Mondays: Plus and Rounds

Maple Ridge Seniors Activity Centre 12150

224th St. Maple Ridge

Pitt Meadows

7:00 - 7:30 Round Dance Review & Teach

7:30 - 8:00 Plus Teach

8:00-9:30 Full Plus and Rounds

Fridays: Beginner/Mainstream 7:00-9:00

Pitt Meadows Community Church

Society Hall 12109 Harris Road

Pitt Meadows

Coming Events

**Dancing cancelled
until
further notice.**

Tough times never last,
tough people do.



Tuesdays: Plus Dancing

Steve Edlund: Caller

Plus Review & Dance 7:00 - 9:30

Members \$7, Guests \$9

Wednesdays: Begin/Mainstream

Krista Baird: Caller/Teacher

Full Mainstream 7:00-7:30

Beginner Alternating with

Mainstream Tips 7:30-9:30

Members \$6, Guests \$8

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Wagon Master:

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Surrey Square Wheelers

Modern Square and Round Dance Club

Brookwood Sr. Activity Centre

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Coming Events

Tuesdays

Steve Calling Plus
and Cuing a couple of Rounds

Wednesdays

Krista Teaching
Beginner & Mainstream

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Fraser Valley Square and Round Dance Association:
President's Message From Valley Circle; March 1999
"Another Dimension"

The Swinging Singles celebrated their 30th anniversary on January 23, 1999. Harry Steel and his very capable executive made this reunion not only an occasion for great dancing and feasting but also one where we were able to appreciate more fully the many people who have contributed to the success of this club over the years. This year MEL AUSTIN and CHUCK JORDAN for instance were awarded honorary LIFE MEMBERSHIPS for long and outstanding service. Many others were mentioned who have given faithful and dedicated service in past. Rebecca and Marino Danesin travelled all the way from Duncan to present a special 30 year badge to attach to the Swinging Singles banner. Rebecca and Marino are the current President Couple of the B.C. Square & Round Dance Federation and it was indeed a pleasure to see them here at this very special event. On behalf of the Fraser Valley Square & Round Dance Association we also offer our sincere congratulations on your 30 th anniversary!

Every square dance club plays an important role in the life of its members. We easily recognize that our recreation provides good exercise, fun and sociability as well as unlimited dancing opportunity. It is a place where couples meld, forget the worries of home and office and can enjoy music and dancing together.

But what happens when marriage fails? Where do you go when the bitterness and rancour of divorce invades your life? Where happens when self doubt, guilt and financial ruin become the numbing reality of daily living? For some it means retreat into self recrimination, the bottle, and even thought of suicide.

Years ago some very wise people though a special kind of square dance club designed to bring single people together would be a good idea. Many clubs like our own Swinging Singles have formed in cities all over the world. At the time, i'ii bet non of the founders knew how important the clubs would be to people in crisis! Perhaps the word "swinging" implies carefree, fun-loving, even irresponsible people. But we know otherwise!

For a great many, Swinging Singles membership has been a lifesaver. Here men and women find understanding, comfort and friendship from others who have travelled the same lonely path. Swinging Singles club provide the kind of moral support no other regular square dance club can offer. We underrate their importance in our community and in our society. They provide ANOTHER DIMENSION to our wonderful recreation.

Congratulations and hats off to all of you!

Warren & Pauline Digby
President Couple
FVS&RD Association

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This from The Valley Circle March 2018

2018 Gala Report

Wow!! When was the last time that you saw so many happy and smiling dancers in one room. The 2018 Gala on Feb. 10 was the place to be.

Between the Round Dancing, cued by Cheryl Plume, and the calling of Don More how could you ask for more?

8 Squares enjoyed the interesting and fun afternoon workshop from 2-4pm. There wasn't anything new just different—called 'mind teasers'.

Ray had 43 sing up for a fabulous dinner at the Greek Restaurant on Hastings Street. Jean Galbraith did a great job of decorations and Sandi Poje had many Door Prizes. Ron Watson looked after the money draw and George and Betty Langtry were busy in the Kitchen. The Singles Board worked well.

We had about 120 dancers on the floor in the evening and that just filled the Hall—a very good crowd. There were dancers from Victoria and over a square from the States. Barb Tryssenaar presented the Scroll of Honor to 3 shocked and well deserving recipients—Wendy Krueger for the Callers and June Fitchett and Al Gibbs for the Dancers.

Working behind the scenes making sure things went smoothly were Ron Robertson, Bernice Snook, Dave Hammer and Norm and Mary Cox and by the way Norm and Mary are going to step down this year as they have too much on their plate at the present time.—Now is your opportunity to come on board to help plan for the 2019 Gala which means about 4 planning meetings in the year. Please don't let this Dance Committee down. Contact Dave Hammer if you are willing to help. Some 16 or 17 years ago Mary Holtz said to Barb Tryssenaar—We need a Special Dance just like the B.C. Ball which was held many years ago. Barb along with Joan Watson put together the 1st F. V. Gala and dancers have enjoyed many Callers and Cuers ever since at these events. With your help we can keep it going.

Thanks. Norm Cox.

This from The Valley Circle March 2017

President's Massage

Hopefully by the time you read this our long wet & cold winter will be coming to an end. It seems to have lasted forever.

I am sure the Sweetheart Gala was a great success. Now we can look ahead to getting out to visit other clubs when it isn't so dark & gloomy.

You could start by making sure your name icon the list for Rally In the Valley June 2,3 & 4. Have you registered for Festival 17 in Cloverdale July 6,7 & 8 ? It is close to home so we don't have an excuse. Please help Region 2 make a good showing. Check your Valley Circle for a listing of all the special dances.

Clubs please have plans made for Square Dance Awareness Week in September before your regular dances finish this spring.

See you at a dace.

George & Betty Langtry

The Latest on Restrictions

First—What does the PHO say:

(<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restrictions>)

Remember—Our Activity is not “DANCING” it’s a fitness activity.

Exercise and fitness

- Full capacity is allowed for exercise and fitness activities, including:
- Adult indoor individual, group fitness or exercise activities
- Adult dance classes and activities
- Exercise and fitness programs for children and youth

Safety requirements for exercise and fitness activities include:

- Proof of vaccination required for entry (12+)
- Masks required at all times, except when actively exercising. We strongly encourage people to wear a mask even when exercising

What does at this mean:

- To start dancing clubs need a COVID-19 Safety Plan
- The Plan must include Vaccine Passport Checking with App. With picture ID required the first time a dancer attends
- Masks – “encouraged” but not “required”
- Masks – Club decision but may be required by hall
- Food – no problems BUT
- BABY STEPS !!!!!
- Masks – maybe uncomfortable for you but may make others more comfortable
- Food – masks maybe required in line up to get food but not while eating (again – hall rules may override)
- This is ONLY TRUE for DANCE CLASSES. If the club is holding a “DANCE” like a themed dance – Masks would be required at all times!!!!!!
- A “COVID-19 Safety Plan Template” for clubs to use is available

With all this said:

- I can tell you what CAN be done
- What a club must consider – what we CAN do is different than what we SHOULD do
 - Some dancers wish we never quit
 - Some dancers are ready now
 - Some dancers may be ready soon
 - Some dancers may never be ready
 - Some dancers may return to ROUNDS only
- A club must consider their membership when deciding when and if they restart dancing.



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ABBOTSFORD "GRAND" SQUARES

Caller/Cuer/Teacher: Heather Reynolds

Author: Jill Schaffer

Once again we have to announce that we do not know when we will be dancing again. It will be unbelievable when the time comes for us all to meet back together.

Our club has some sad news. Tanye Heath has passed away after a long illness. She has been a member for many years. She would store all the recycled outfits in her garage and always made sure that she would outfit all the New Dancers with a free one.

Ron Fry succumbed to his painful illness too. He was a great help in the Club, always seeing that Heather was looked after when she arrived and left. Our sympathies go to Joyce Oshiro his long-time partner.

Joyce also has her surgery coming up and will be in ICU for about a week. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope she will be well enough to dance when we start up again. Hopefully it won't be too long before we are back again

STARDOWNERS

Caller/Cuer Couple: Ray & Christine Brendzy

Author: Dave Hammer


The Stardowner' Square and Round Dance club restarted square and round dance lessons on Thursday, October 1, 2021 after almost a 2 year hiatus due to COVID- 19 pandemic. From October 2020 to December 09, 2021 the Club usually had two Plus squares on the floor, thanks to the able assistance from the Brendzy siblings Nicholas and Caitlyn in addition to support from Christine to help fill in a square.

At times, we would have a few four person squares and when enough dancers were present these would be combined to make up two squares.

Our last dance December 09, the Clubs' Christmas dance, included Noel decorations and select personal snacks as no food or beverage was to be shared in keeping with PHO protocols.

At this time new PHO restrictions were re-imposed due to increasing hospitalizations, the hall was again closed and the members could no longer dance in person. Virtual dancing was back.

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Century House Squares

620 - 8th St., New Westminster
Mondays - Visitors always welcome

New Dancers: 12:00 - 1:00 PM
Mainstream / Plus Teach: 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Caller Couples: Chuck & Marguerite Jordan
Information: Century House 604-519-1066
Dianne Lewis 604-274-8120

Dancing Cancelled
until ???


 Hearing assist available

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Upcoming events:

No upcoming events are being planned until the PHO restrictions are relaxed or lifted. The hall and Club are awaiting the next PHO orders which are due February 18th.

WHEELING 8's WHEELCHAIR CLUB

Caller/Teacher: Tyler Wagner

Author: Karen McGregor

Hello to all and be well!

VALLEY PROMENADERS

Caller/Cuer/Instructor: Wendy Krueger

Author: Wendy

Spring is on its way and we are ready for it! And of course we are hoping for an opening of dance studios and classes so square dancing can return. So much hoping, so much wishing, wondering, waiting.

Our three weeks in December at Valley Promenaders was a really good time, and it was so encouraging to have 3 couples for round dance in the morning and then 2 squares for square dancing in the afternoon.

On December 16th, it was a day for excitement and celebration—three lovely ladies came to visit us, Sandi Poje, Eva Matheson, and Pat Hill. We had only fourteen members for square dancing that day, so it was exciting to make 2 squares. I do love dancing and calling at the same time and it is not that hard to do, certainly in the beginnings of the SSD program. But there was no way to do that with fourteen people. And all of a sudden our visitors arrived and we had another square. I was delighted with that!

Then at a break, Sandi came to tell me they had brought us a gift from the Building Fund. I had not heard of this yet, though Roy Swanson wrote about it in the Valley Circle (I saw later). The Building Fund committee generously gifted us with \$3,300 to help our Club restart and keep going! That is a lot of money, and it will keep us going for a long time! Thank you so very much. What a celebration!!

I would also like to thank Brian Elmer of West Kelowna who is the volunteer receptionist of our provincial INFOLINE. He takes calls enquiring about square and round dancing. Recently a square dancer from a long while back at Abbotsford Grand Squares called INFOLINE and got updated contact information from Brian for clubs in our region. It will be delightful to see our friends once again, once the PHO says square

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dance can resume. Remember to give a square dance friend a call now and then, just to keep in touch.

REMEMBRANCES: Forever my first lady of square dancing, beloved Tanye Heath passed away at the end of January. So sad to see you go, dear, sweet friend. Ron Fry, dear man, partner for 13 years to Joyce Oshiro (forever my second lady of square dancing) passed away January 20th. Rest in peace, Ron

CHUCKWAGON 8'S

Author: Gerry and Brian Catterall

Caller Couple: Ray & Christine Brendzy

Cuers: Nicholas and Caitlyn Brendzy

Happy New Year! We will be starting back this year on **Wednesday, March 2nd, 2022 and finish April 27th**. This does depend on Dr. Bonny Henry lifting restrictions. Because we are the only ones in the hall, masks are not mandatory but you are so welcome to wear your masks if that makes you feel more comfortable. We do supply hand sanitizers.

From October to December, 2021, we were dancing two squares with the Brendzy family filling in. Even though we were a small group, we had a wonderful time. Ray and family have worked very hard trying to keep square dancing fun so we are hoping more of our square dancers will come back dancing. Since there is only two months of dancing before the season finishes, maybe all you Chuckwagon 8's and even visitors would like to give it a try. You just might like it!! **Just a reminder that vaccine passports are mandatory.** No tea, coffee and food will be served. You may bring your own beverage if you like.

At this time, we would like to acknowledge the generous grant of \$3300.00 by the Building Fund Committee. The funds were much appreciated.

WESBURN WRANGLERS

Authors: Caitlyn Brendzy

Caller: Ray Brendzy

Cuers: Nicholas and Caitlyn Brendzy

Hi Everyone

It looks like we are allowed to start Round Dancing again. Our first dance will be Sunday, February 6 at 3:00 PM at Wesburn Community Centre. All Covid protocols will remain in place,

- Must be fully vaccinated
- Enter with a mask
- Sanitize hands frequently
- Stay social distant from everyone except your partner
- Bring your own refreshments and snack
- Must show Covid passport
- Stay home if you feel sick

Nicholas and Caitlyn are looking forward to seeing everyone for some fun round dancing, on **Sunday at 3:00 PM at Wesburn Community Centre.**

We hope to be able to start Square Dancing after the next PHO announcement is made on February 18.

See you soon.

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SWINGING SINGLES and COUPLE of BC SQUARE DANCE CLUB

Author: Pat Gerbrandt

Callers & Cuers: Nicholas & Caitlyn Brendzy

Hello again, Region 2! The next brief paragraph is from my entry for last September.

[It's been a while, hasn't it? We won't have definite start dates to announce until after September 7th.

I can say that after reaching out to everyone in the Club Roster, the majority are anxious to get back on the dance floor but at a different pace. The majority expressed their desire to start up as soon as possible; some thought October would be early enough and a few thought January would work best for them.]

And here we are mid-February, nearly two years after the onset of COVID and we have finally heard we can go back to dancing and at full capacity. Now it'll be up to the health of Custodial Staff getting halls ready for our use. All Clubs members should be feeling more at ease with reopening as COVID numbers continue to decline. Personal comfort is what is most important.

So our Club, just as many others, has gone through drastic changes over these past couple of years. Membership will be changing due to loss of interest or mobility or in some cases, loss of a loved one through this pandemic. Coming back on the floors will be a reminder of how fragile we are and for some, their resilience will be most welcomed. Getting back into the swing of things may take a few weeks and that's okay; we'll all be refreshing our memories while encouraging our new members. It'll be a win, win all around. Proof of vaccination and masks will be mandatory until further notice.

Our Round Dance instruction on Sundays from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. was to commence in February at Charles Rummel Hall however we were stymied due to a lack of custodial staff within the City of Burnaby.

With regards to our Tuesday evening Square Dancing, the City of Burnaby has the Burnaby Lake Rowing Pavilion locked up until further notice. No activities in the hall at this time. Due to the location of the venue and its amenities, the Pavilion is being dedicated to larger events such as weddings and conventions. So we are left with looking for another home. We are on track with a few possibilities to consider. We will get the location out to Region 2 as soon as possible.

This is a year of change for our Square Dance Club. As the saying goes – “all good plans of mice and men”, etc. as we hoped to celebrate 53 years (January 22nd) as the Swinging Singles of BC Square Dance Club with a party night late January. Announcing a long overdue name change will take place when we are able to gather again.

Our heartfelt condolences go out to those who have experienced a loss during the past couple of years.

Please be safe and stay healthy..... Until we meet again.

"All Clubs Welcome"



Valley Promenaders



Round and Square Dancing every Thursday in Aldergrove

11:15 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Ph. 1 & 2 Two-Step and Waltz with instruction
1:15 – 3:00 p.m. SSD Square Dancing (easy mainstream) with instruction

Valley Promenaders will dance weekly till June 23rd, 2022,
then break for the summer.

We welcome new dancers till March 31st.

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Wendy Krueger Calling & Cueing

OAP Hall 3015 273 St. Aldergrove

\$6 members/\$7 guests each session

Contact:

Wendy 778-878-4244

wkrueger@shaw.ca

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Beginner, Mainstream, Plus with easy Rounds

Dancing Cancelled until further notice



Tyler

Members \$6, Visitors \$7

If you are looking for Sunday afternoon dancing in Region2, we've got you covered

****NEW DANCERS,**REVIEW DANCERS**RETURNING DANCERS****

Caller / Teacher: Tyler Wagner 604-817-9350

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ANNUAL DANCE REGISTER
 SPECIAL EVENTS, SPECIAL HALL, SPECIAL NIGHT, HELD ANNUALLY
 ALL DANCES LISTED HERE WILL ALSO BE LISTED IN THE *VALLEY CIRCLE-ONLINE*
 Please Phone to Confirm Dates

Date	Dance/Event	Club Name	Hall	Contact
We will include items in the Annual Dance Registry once we are fully restarted				

COMING EVENT ADS

2022

Mar 31 Stardowners Trifle Plus Night - Postponed 20

The above dance listings are taken from **Special Ads** for dances, meetings, sales and other events of interest to all dancers. For club events where **No** special ad was submitted, check the individual club and dance ads.
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CHUCKWAGON "8's" **A2 LEVEL DANCING** Singles Boards in Effect



Wednesday A2 **7:30 to 9:30 pm**

Caller/Cuer: Ray & Christine Brendzy
 Squares & Rounds

Charles Rummel Hall – 3630 Lozells Ave. North of Government St. Burnaby

Contact: Jack & Yvonne - 604-941-2193

- *March 2, 2022 – Spring Startup
- *April 13, 2022 – Dark Caller Lab
- *April 27, 2022 – Spring Windup

Contact: Where's the Dance.com

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Caller couple
Ray & Christine Brendzy
 Cuer
Caitlyn & Nicholas Brendzy

Friday Nights 7:30 to 9:30 pm

Contacts:
 Ray & Christine 604-294-1429
 Susan 604-272-2307

Visit the Motiv8ors for an enjoyable evening of

A-2 Dancing

Wesburn Community Centre
 4781 Parkwood, Burnaby



Start date

Dancing Cancelled until further notice



WHITE ROCKERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB



New Hall
 Ocean Park Community Hall
 1577 128 St, Surrey
 Starting Sunday, March 27
 1:30 - 3:30
 Open @ 1 for Registration
 & Vaccine check

Hearing assist available. Refreshments served.

Come out for a great afternoon of Round and Square dancing.
 John Corrigan, Dan Adams Jr., and Cuer Pat Meyer

See our website www.whiterockers.squaredance.bc.ca for further details
 Contact: Diane 604-583-2625



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Caller/Cuer/Teacher
 Heather Reynolds

Contact for Plus
 Carol S. 604-807-2281
carolswan@shaw.ca

Contact for New Dancers
 Carol E. 604-846-1234

Contact for Wagon Master
 Wanda 778-549-0043

Fun and Fitness
 Singles Welcome



NO SCENT ZONE



STARTUP

STILL TBD



THE Fun CLUB WITH

Mondays with Heather

7pm to 9:30pm
 Alternating New Dancers/Mainstream
 Coffee after
 Members \$6 Guests \$7 Teens \$4

Thursdays with Heather

7:00-7:30 Rounds Workshop
 7:30-9:30 Alternating Plus Teach/
 Full Plus with Rounds
 Coffee after
 Members \$6 Guests \$7 Teens \$4







Trifle PLUS Dance

- POSTPONED -

THURSDAY ~~March 31~~
7:30 - 9:45 PM
Singles Board

CENTENNIAL LODGE, QUEENS PARK
NEW WESTMINSTER
Third Ave at First St, West of Arena

STARDOWNERS
INVITE YOU TO DANCE WITH
Ray Brendzy





Royal Swingers

Caller & Cues Couple **Steve and Lynnette Edlund**

**Friday Plus Review 7:30-8PM
Plus Dance & Round Dancing 8-10PM**

**Start of dancing will be by
vote at the AGM in January**

**Edmonds Community Centre
Active Room #176
7433 Edmonds Street BBY**

**Contact: Patrick 604-838-3942
Joan 604-929-1593**

Underground parking

Singles Board Available