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**'ARDA STANDS COMMITTED TO THE ONGOING EDUCATION AND SUPPORT TO
ITS MEMBERS,
ALL ROUND DANCERS
AND THE FUTURE OF ROUND DANCING'**

ARDA CONFERENCE 2019



21 April 1.30pm
22 April all day
23 April all day
24 April am only



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Back to Tasmania where the inaugural ARDA Conference was held in 2012



FOXTROT

PHASE III



PHASE II

RUMBA

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Showcase & Experimental

2019

ARDA State / Territory Representatives have been advised of the closing date for the 2019 Showcase and Experimental nominations.

MAMBO

SLOW TWO STEP

WALTZ



31st OCTOBER 2018

This deadline is not flexible.

What input are you having towards your State / Territory nomination?

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ARDA is looking forward to receiving exciting nominations for the betterment of the round dance program at the 60th ANSDC

We want the dancers to be excited too.

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TH AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION 2019 ~ DELORAIN, Tas
Glitz, Glamour, Diamonds & Bling
Dress It Up in 2019

PHASE IV

PHASE ?



ALLENANDER Round Dance Club

1988 ~ 2018



CONGRATULATIONS

Paula and Warwick Armstrong
And
ALLEMANDER ROUNDS
Dancers

A wonderful achievement and what
an extraordinary
contribution to Round Dancing.

ARDA Management Committee
Congratulates Paula and Warwick
And Allemander Rounds.





ARDA Conference 2018



Another successful ARDA Conference was conducted prior to the 59th ANSDC over 2.5 days and two evenings of round dancing. How very exciting for the Conference to be addressed by the Chairman of ROUNDALAB, Sharon Parker. Warwick organized this via Skype. Attendees were further privileged to listen and communicate with Paul Connelly, again via Skype, on making sure you choose the right rhythm for the music you have chosen to choreograph a dance to. We were most appreciative as given the time difference, Sharon and Paul would normally been enjoying a good night's sleep.

Sandy Symons gave us another interesting address on first aid. Les & Anne Tulloch, Paula and Warwick Armstrong and Bev McLachlan also gave us wonderful hints and advice. Thank you to all who supported the ARDA Conference 2018 and a special thank you to those who helped with sourcing the venue, setting up and dismantling equipment and assisting with the catering. A special thank you to our Education Officers, Paula and Warwick for their untiring efforts.



Above and below
Anne and Les
Tulloch, SA



Presenters: Bev McLachlan, Warwick & Paula Armstrong,
Anne & Les Tulloch, and Sandy Symons.



Above and below ..
Attendees giving their full
attention to the presenters.



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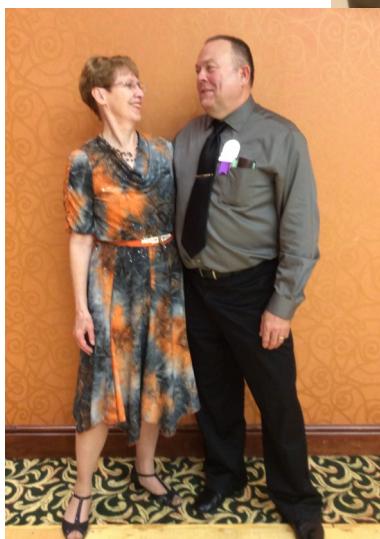
Please consider putting your hand up for this position in order to bring new ideas and energy to ARDA communication line. Simply send an email to the arda.secretary@gmail.com

my ROUNDALAB 2018

Putting faces to the names you would have seen on cue sheet headers over the years.
Permission was sought and given as I explained what I was going to do with the photos.



Paula & Warwick Armstrong
Qld, Aus



Carolyn & Tony Ahart
Springfield, MO



Sharon & Casey Parker
Manteca, CA



Karen & Ed Gloodt
Ardmore, AK



Debbie & Paul Taylor
Cle Elum, WA



Karen Herr - Roundalab Clinician
ARDA Conference NSW 2013
Larkspur, CO



Phyllis Stewart &
John Kemp, Qld.

NEWSfromaroundAUS



VALENTINE ROUNDS, Qld

Valentine Rounds are still going strong and dancing Sundays & Tuesday evenings.

We started a new dancer course at the beginning of April on a Tuesday evening. The new dancers are enjoying learning Waltz & Rumba and are progressing well.

Sunday 29 July we ran our usual 5th Sunday party dance with a surprise visit from one of our newest members. This was 2 months and 2 days old, Ethan Leis who really enjoyed dancing with his mother and father. Put him to sleep very quickly.

It was great having his mother Jess back as she started learning to cue at the beginning of the year.

When a month has a five Sundays we make the 5th Sunday a social party dance for both Tuesday and Sunday dancers stopping for a supper break about 6.00 pm. *Val & Ken Bolton, Qld.*



SARDA

A repeat from last Newsletter SARDA will be conducting their SA Festival 'Harmony in Music' on 29 & 30 September 2018.

Email Shirley Bates for details

Hi there to our ARDA State & Territory Representatives

Why not share what is happening in your State/Territory with your fellow round dancers?

A Newsletter isn't quite a 'newsletter' without news!

Q R D A

Congratulations to both Paula and Warwick Armstrong and Allemander Round Dance Club for reaching the 30 year milestone.

Best wishes Paula & Warwick, and dancers for the upcoming celebration!

PELICAN PROMENADERS

Anglican Church Hall, 148 Blackwall Road, Woy Woy Easy/Intermediate Rounds In May we had our 50/50 dress up night—themed Jungle. I created a new dance for the occasion 'The Lion Sleeps Tonight', as I do for most special occasions.

Our next dance at the end of August, our 4th birthday, will be a formal night.

We are very pleased to have a Mother & Daughter team join us. Mother Wendy Alexander calls squares and daughter Julie Wright calls both squares and cues rounds. Julie is very good and will be calling and cueing at the NSW State Convention.

Julie has become a regular part of our evening.

Anne Glazier

[Photos opp. Courtesy of Anne.]

Deloraine, Tasmania the place to be in April 2019

Details of the 2019 ARDA Conference are on page 9.

KINTYRE Rounds, back in June celebrated 9 years. Wow!

SPINNING WHEEL Rounds recommences in Drysdale in August.



ARDA Annual General Meeting 2019

The Annual General Meeting of YOUR organisation
will be held during the
60th Australian National Square Dance Convention.

ARDA extends an invitation to all members to come along
and here what is happening in YOUR organisation

2019 being an odd numbered year will see the positions of
SECRETARY and VICE PRESIDENT
due for election

Interested?

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Vale GLORIA SEDWILL 20 July 2018

RIP

Keith Sedwill met Gloria and introduced her to square dancing in the late 80's.

They both were dancers with Jeff Seidell's 'Wild Frontier Square Dance Club and then picked up round dancing with Max Bassett's 'Hounds Rounds.

I became friends when learning square dancing in the mid 1990's. Since then Keith and Gloria introduced Terry and I to their love of square and round dancing. Both Keith and Gloria attended many South Australian State and National Square Dance Conventions: Perth, Canberra, Queensland (with Terry and me joining them), South Australia as well as South Australian Round Dance Association (SARDA) and Victorian round dance festivals.

Eventually due to muscle restrictions, Gloria focused more on round dancing. Both Keith and Gloria became very competent high phase round dancers, doing Showcase and demonstration dancing at Conventions.

As long term members of Thelma & Tom McCue's, T & T Rounds they often helped demonstrate round dance steps. They were both SARDA Committee members since the 1990's with Gloria always involved in helping at SARDA Festivals; be it her great raffle prize wrappings, helping in hall decorations or back end cleaning.

Due to health problems Gloria had to stop dancing but right to the week of her passing when Terry and I saw her, she was always enthusiastic to 'go down memory lane' in the round dance life.

Gloria passed away on Friday 20 July 2018.

Gloria was greatly loved by all of us and will be sadly missed.

Maria Jones

EDITOR'S NOTE: Sincere thanks to Maria Jones (former President of SARDA) for contacting me to let me know of Gloria's passing.

It is important that we recognise the contribution our round dance 'family' members make to our activity. I am indebted to Maria for taking the time to let me know so I can share the sadness of Gloria's passing but at the same time acknowledging her contribution to round dancing.

Editor



On behalf of the ARDA President, the ARDA Management Committee and the ARDA members
Our sincere condolences are offered to Keith Sedwill and to all the loved ones who now look back and cherish the part they played in the Life of Gloria Sedwill.



ARDA CONFERENCE 2019

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supported by Guest Presenters



The Australian Round Dance Association will again, in 2019, conduct a Round Dance Conference, in Deloraine, Tas.

To all who have a passion for ROUND DANCING
To all who wish to learn more about ROUND DANCING
To all who CUE, TEACH, DANCE come along
and share a wonderful learning experience.

Option 2 is to travel to the USA which will cost you a lot more dollars.

Sunday 21st April (Easter Sunday) 1.30 - 4.45pm
Plus BONUS Evening of Rounds
Monday 22nd April 9.00 am - 4.45 pm
Plus BONUS Evening of Rounds
Tuesday 23rd April 9.00 am - 4.45 pm
Wednesday 24th April am only 'mystery event'



A total of three (3) days you won't want to miss!

All sessions will be catered for.

To register YOUR interest for further details
Or
TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN ATTENDING
Email: arda.secretary@gmail.com
Carol will be happy to include your details on the ARDA Conference Register





More from the 'travelling amigos'. The trio of travellers.

Courtesy of Chris Heyworth, Qld.

Day 1 - Tuesday.

"I knew it, I knew it. I can sense these things, we're moving" says Windle as 'Lady Rounds' lumbers from her driveway, reluctantly warming her engine from slumber as Dad pulls at the steering wheel, adjusts his glasses and phone and listens for any unusual clanging noises from the interior of the van. "Look, look, wake up Norseman, wake up Clementine, I feel this is the big one" says Windle. Norseman replies "You wizards are all alike, predicting the future and all, I'll just enjoy the ride. Clementine get your head off me, he wants to avoid the peak traffic, so be alert".

We departed Brisbane at 7 am and Dad had a good run against the traffic flow, reaching the top of the Toowoomba range some two hours later. And this despite some thick fog at Dinmore and Riverview. We had to put up with a lot of road works before our first fuel stop at Captains Mountain west of Millmerran. Most of these road works were linked to the second range crossing, scheduled to be finished by the end of the year.

About 600 klm before Goondiwindi, we had to stop as we watched a semi trailer run off the road and rollover, to be followed by some of the stock walk out of the upper crate. As the truck's mate had also just passed us, we were greeted with a truck coming out of the dust and moving back on to its side of the road. Thankfully nobody was injured, with the driver only getting a few cuts on his hand. Our next stop would be Goondiwindi for fuel, as Dad was taking every opportunity to get fuel. As we were about to turn into the servo, Dad heard a funny noise and stopped to find the tie down pin for the car trailer had gone. What to do? Where is the nearest hardware store for a replacement bolt? Thankfully, easily answered questions and with some help from one of the staff and then a full tank of fuel, we were on our way again.

Between Narrabri and Coonabarabran, Dad got a phone call from Goondiwindi police about the accident - he felt it was wise to pull off the road before saying much more. Our first day ended at Coonabarabran (not Gilgandra as planned) to avoid at least an hour's driving at night.

"Shhhh he's dozing off" says Windle as he pulls the great stripy blanket that Mum calls a snake scarf over his shoulders. "It's been a serious day for Dad, I'm pleased it's over". "You're pleased? I'm ecstatic to be in one piece?" "Oh boys we were in good capable hands, and anyway our resident wizard would have warned us of any bad tidings, isn't that correct Windle?" states Clementine nonchalantly and gracefully dozes off to sleep. Today's mileage 700 klm.

Day 2 - Wednesday

An early start again as we had to make up the distance to Gilgandra which we missed from yesterday because of the accident and other hold ups. Wizards can read minds also, sometimes, but when you have a Dad with loud thoughts and determination running through his foot, it's not difficult.

Dad retied car and set off before 7am - this allowed us a good run through to Gilgandra just after 8am and Warren by just after 9am - so far so good. From Warren to Nyngan there was very little traffic - about one dozen cars eastbound and one westbound. We fuelled up at Nyngan so Dad had his first coffee for the trip and made us jealous - the aroma was inviting. Arriving at Cobar on noon, we fuelled up, had a quick bite to eat and kept driving. There were small mobs of goats roadside every so often and Norseman wanted to stop and catch some.. Dad said "No" as there was not enough time and we had no way to transport them. Windle thought Dad's car (we are towing it on a dolly trailer) would do as it was empty, which seemed such a waste.

A number of emus crossed our path but Clementine wasn't interested in talking to them with their heads stuck in the grass. She said "They're so egocentric and only interested in what's under their noses". We continued on our way with a slow, boring trip to Wilcannia where we stopped for fuel. We nearly lost Dad's little car as he left the bowser with one of the tyre tie downs coming loose and the tyre had slid forward off its spot. The servo owner used his 4WD and a chain attached to Dad's tow ball to pull the car back on the trailer and he eventually got the tie down out from under the wheel with the assistance from a fellow motor home driver. They retied and re-secured the car on the trailer before we left town and hit the road again. Well, they say things come in threes - about 40k west from Wilcannia Dad had to pull up and change the shredded left hand trailer tyre. This proved to be a bit of a process with trailer axle so low - first the car jack, then motor home jack and finally the car jack to get the axle up high enough to change the tyre. He put the spare (brand new) tyre on and away we went, finally arriving in Broken Hill around 7pm (local time). We are now on central time, half an hour behind home. It has been very hot here today - 37celsius, so the air conditioner helped keep us cool - thanks Dad. Today's mileage 833 klm

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STANDARDISED CUE SHEETS

The standardising of cue sheets is almost completed.

The holdup has been me and I can only say I have been busy and unable to give attention to this task.

All being well you will have the SCS by 1 September.

In the event you find a SCS that you believe is incorrect please contact the ARDA Secretary and the SCS committee will review that cue sheet.



I had a request from the publicity officer for the BC Festival 2019 to spread the news about their convention. Here 'tis. BC FESTIVAL 2019 will be held between 10 - 14 July 2019 in Salmon Arm, BC. Three full days of square and round dancing; clogging, contra and line workshops and dances.

You can download a registration form and register to call or cue via the following

Website: bcfestival2019.com
Email: info@bcfestival2019.com
Register: bcfestival2019.com/register/

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MEMBERSHIP of ARDA

If you are a member of ARDA and renewing has slipped your mind Memberships two months after the due date. 1 September is the last date to renew and you may be required to apply to become a member.



Are you covered with an APRA Licence? It isn't worth taking a risk and not having such a Licence.

DO YOU HAVE A QUESTION??

Is there a time you find a definition confusing?
Can't find the music online?
Not sure what the choreographer is asking?
A movement you can't quite figure out?

Send an email through to the ARDA Secretary who will direct your query to the committee for a resolution.

If you are able to attend the BC Festival 2019, please let the committee know you read about the Festival in the ARDA Newsletter. Sharing information is to the benefit of OUR round dance family.

Sharing is Caring



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Day 3 - Thursday

Last night, after Dad had his shower, he went to check on the car only to find - NO CAR KEYS. He suspected he lost them or left them in Wilcannia when playing with the car on the previous day, so he spoke to Wilcannia Police who offered to either look or contact the servo owner.

Another early start this morning and as we needed fuel in Broken Hill, Metro proved to be much cheaper than anyone else and they had opened early enough. We were off to Peterborough to get the tyre fixed and some more fuel.

It was a boring day for us three as there was little scenery to keep us entertained. There were more goats along the road, but little traffic our way. We saw a wedge tail eagle just after leaving Broken Hill - glad we were all safe in "Lady Rounds". Halfway across the country at Kimba, we saw the Big Galah at Kimba. Dad forgot to take a photo, so we will get one on the way back with Mum. A late arrival at Ceduna saw us lucky enough to get a site at the caravan park, in a nice new section across the road from reception with a huge camp kitchen.

Today's mileage 871 klms

Day 4 - Friday

We are getting used to these early starts, they have become a habit for us all now. Dad has looked at the fuel prices for the day and reckons it will be better to top up at most of the roadhouses to reduce the longer distance at a higher fuel price. Shortly after leaving Ceduna, we saw our second wedge tail eagle. What an impressive sight they are and looking like they just ooze power. It became very windy about 60 k east of the Nullarbor so Dad eased the speed back a bit to make it easier. By the time we got to Nullarbor it was blowing a gale - something which probably helps justify keeping the fuel price up!! We cruised on to Eucla after crossing into WA and having to hand over our only jar of Honey, we filled up at Eucla, not Border Village as fuel is 10c litre cheaper. Next problem. Halfway between Eucla and Mundrabilla, 'Lady's Ad Blue warning light came on. Thankfully we have 2,400 klm to sort out or so the car computer says. We got to Madura Pass, 180 klm on, but the computer says we have 2,100 klm left before the motor home WON'T GO.

On reaching Caiguna, we had travelled only 340 klm from Eucla, but the computer says we have only 1,700 klm to Perth before stopping so we run the risk of not reaching Perth. This will mean a stop at the RAC in Norseman, possibly allowing Clementine & Windle time to have a look at the town where Norseman lived previously. It also means a very early start tomorrow!!!

Today's mileage 817 klms

Day 5 - Saturday

A very early start so Dad could get to Norseman mid morning to sort out the Ad Blue problem, so early that Dad set the alarm on his phone. We saw a few big kangaroos and even a dingo in the early morning light, but otherwise, thankfully, an uneventful drive before the sun got out of bed.

Clementine liked the way her mates kept appearing on the warning signs as wandering stock. We arrived at Balladonia about 8 am and only stopped enough time for Dad to grab a coffee for breakfast, finally reaching Norseman about 10.30 am and stopping outside the RAC Agent. Dad phoned them twice with no response, so a call to the emergency breakdown service saw Dad get a test to say someone would be with him within the next hour and a half—this text arriving about 11.20 am. Dad had been messaging Nana Cas who had arrived at Norseman earlier that morning, we caught up briefly before Nana headed on towards Perth. We were still waiting to hear something at 1 pm so Dad rang again, got put on hold and, we suspect, forgotten about (no call back on the job status). A further call some 20 minutes later and YES, service would be there in about 10-15 minutes. Finally, 2 pm saw the serviceman arrive and he found and topped the tank with the small bottle we had, but said we needed a lot more. He indicated that the Caltex had the Ad Blue tank so off we went, but guess what, it's 'out of order'. So back to the BP where we had called in some 3.5 hrs earlier to buy 2 x 10 ltr drums which Dad used to manually fill the tank. Now he knows what the extra opening is for below the water inlet and even better news, he found his keys for his car - in the ignition the whole time from Wilcannia, where he thought he had left or lost them. Good one Dad!! So a belated departure from Norseman meant no time for Norseman to show us round his birth place. Perhaps on the way back with Mum.

This would allow us to get to Southern Cross and catch up with Nana Cas, where we finally arrived just after 7pm in the dark AGAIN!! We are all looking forward to an easier day tomorrow with a much shorter trip to Perth where we will meet Dad's sister and her husband and pick up Mum from the airport.

Today's mileage 714 klms (if felt a lot more because of the hold up in Norseman). Cont. Pg 13.



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Chris and his travelling trio were heading south and then west to attend the 2018 ARDA Conference and the 59th ANSDC.

Day 6– Sunday

We finally reached Perth and met Dad's relatives briefly

Before picking up Mum and heading to the house where we would be staying. This meant we got to catch up with Nana Cas, and Auntie Paula & Uncle Warwick who had a much shorter and quicker trips to Perth by plane. Mum and Dad went to visit Dad's sister for tea whilst we began to unwind. Our only day out was Monday afternoon where we went off to the motor home workshop to have the toilet fixed. Thankfully, only a minor problem so we were back home by Tuesday lunchtime. Helen (Hodalj) and her daughter arrived in the morning and decided an afternoon nap was the best way to go. Little to do and no sightseeing until Wednesday week when Mum and Dad head out of Perth and homeward bound.

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Now some fun sayings/quotes to complete this Newsletter ...

FORECAST:

Dancing with no chance of house cleaning or cooking.

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Dance to feel good - Dance to feel better  
Dance to mend a broken heart .... Just DANCE.

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Don't take Life too serious. Eat, sleep and  
ROUND DANCE..

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It is with your FEET you move but it is with your
HEART that you dance.

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A GOOD Life is when you smile a lot, laugh a lot  
and realize how blessed you are that you can  
ROUND DANCE.



This is a repeat just because I  
believe it is a good saying...

*Forget yesterday,  
It has already forgotten you.*

*Don't worry about tomorrow,  
You haven't even met.*

*Instead open your eyes, and your  
heart to a truly precious gift ..  
TODAY*

#### A Riddle for Grown Ups

You are on a horse, galloping at a constant speed.  
On your right is a sharp drop off.  
On your left is an elephant travelling at the same  
speed as you.  
Directly in front of you is a galloping kangaroo and  
your horse is unable to overtake it.  
Behind you is a lion running at the same speed as  
you and the kangaroo.  
What must you do to get out of this highly  
Dangerous situation????

Get off the Merry-Go-Round and go home. You have  
had enough excitement for one day ....



The next ARDA Newsletter will be coming in  
late OCTOBER early NOVEMBER, however it won't  
happen without some input. ARDA members want to  
know what is happening around the round dance scene.  
Let's keep everyone informed.

DEADLINE for copy please 20 OCTOBER 2018