

B.C. HIGHLAND NEWSLETTER

The official newsletter of the British Columbia Highland Dancing Association.

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If you have any Buy and Sell Items or any item's or pictures that may be of interest to our members please call:

Dave Moralek @ 604-272-6566

or E-mail BCHDANEWS@Telus.net.

UPCOMING COMPETITIONS AND EVENTS

BCHDA CLOSED

Sunday November 23rd, 2008
Delta Secondary School
Genesis Theatre
5004 45th Ave.
Ladner

Sunday January 25th, 2009
Douglas College
700 Royal Ave.
New Westminster

Sunday April 19th, 2009
Douglas College
700 Royal Ave.
New Westminster

BCHDA OPEN

March 7th, & 8th, 2009
Delta Secondary School
Genesis Theatre
5005 45th, Ave.
Ladner
(# of days still to be determined)

OTHER

British Columbia Closed
Saturday May 9th, 2009
Douglas College
700 royal Ave.
New Westminster

United Scottish B.C. Highland Games
Saturday June 27th, 2009
Percy Perry Stadium
Coquitlam

NEW THIS YEAR

If you are a dance teacher and have registered as a BCHDA member you can have your email address posted on our teacher list on the BCHDA website at no charge. If you have a commercial for profit dance studio you may also have a link to your studio website posted on the BCHDA website for a fee of \$25.00 per season. For more info contact Dave Moralek @ BCHDANEWS@telus.net

FUND RAISING RAFFLE

Once again we will be having a fund raising raffle to help conform to our gaming funding rules. This is where you come in. We need to find some fantastic prizes. If you work at, or have contacts with anyone who could donate something that would have everyone lining up to buy tickets.

Please contact: Dave Moralek PHONE: 604-272-6566 or E-mail: BCHDANEWS@telus.net



CONGRATULATIONS IT'S A BOY!

Congratulation to Kathleen Carlson Locatelli and Thomas on the birth of their baby boy *Emilio Macgregor Locatelli* on Friday October 17th, 2008

Also congratulations to Charlene (Tikhane) Jamieson and Scott on the birth of their baby boy *Evan Cooper Jamieson* on Friday August 15th, 2008

Want to learn how to make Highland Dancing Costumes? Then read on.

My name is Gail Russell, I have been making kilts since 1982 and would like to pass this skill on to women or men who would like to learn this art. I also make jackets, vests and all the national outfits. I have been in highland dancing for years as my daughter Shelley Wallace (now Stewart) danced for many years as did her daughter Emma Stewart. I would like to retire from making the kilts but don't want to give it up until someone else can carry on for me.

I would like to propose a six to seven week course starting in the week of September 14 2009 and going to the last week of October. I will be charging for the course but haven't decided on the rate. It could be either \$55.00 or \$60.00 per student with a limit of ten to twelve people attending. I have a few places in mind for holding this class as I will need to have lots of room for setting up large tables to work on. It will be near my home either in Tsawwassen or Ladner. I would like to get a feel for the number of people that would be interested before I make any arrangements for a facility. If anyone is interested please contact me either by email gaillrussell@hotmail.com or phone 604 943-3977.

IT'S NEW AND UP AND RUNNING

Check out our new and improved BCHDA web site. www.bchighlanddancers.com
Thank you Fraser Fraser for all your hard work as the webmaster on the redesign.

BUY AND SELL

FOR SALE

Size 8-10: Cranberry colored cotton National, 2 blouses, petticoat - \$150

Size 6-8: Blue Cunningham kiltie, vest, wool socks - \$325

Size 7-9: Wine colored kiltie, 1 wine colored vest, 1 black vest larger, blouse, wool socks - \$400

Size 12-14: navy Hornpipe - \$80

Please contact: Jodi Bartlett,

Phone: 604 936-6783 E-mail: jodi_bartlett@telus.net

The following items are all in excellent condition. They were last used around September, 2005, and as they were made by Lil Scot Dancing Co. of Prince George, I do not have the exact sizes, but have done my best to explain them.

Kilt - Dress purple Menzies, approx size 7-8. Full Kilt includes size 8 vest with white blouse.

Kilt is 17 1/2" long with 3" hem with leather buckles. \$300.00.

Jig Dress - Red with green lining. Waist to hem 22" long. Under Arm to waist 8 1/2" long, has white apron. Size 12-14. Beautiful dress in excellent condition. \$100.00

Jig Shoes - green color. Made in Canada, Size 5B. Have interior rattles. Just like new. \$60.00.

Dance Shoes - James Senior of St. Andrews Ghillies. Red eyelets and red stitching. Adult Size 2.

Excellent Shape \$50.00. Angel Luzio Ghillies. Child Size 11. Excellent Shape. \$30.00.

If interested I can send pictures of outfits.

Please contact: Dorothy Calkins

Phone: 250-493-5135 or 250-395-5137 E-mail: snowbirdshome@shaw.ca

Red jig shoes size 1 \$50.00

Please contact: Glenna Urbshadt

Phone: 604-224-5479 E-mail: gurbshadt@shaw.ca

Kilt Wine McCrae with Wine jacket, vest and wool socks. Like new. \$375.00

Jacket fits girls 10-13 yrs old; vest fits girls 9-10 yrs old. Kilt has lots of hem still.

Please Contact: Vicky Forrester

Phone: 604-469-3637 E-mail: vicdan@telus.net

WANTED

Used Dress Purple Menzies nylon or wool hose. To fit a girl shoe size 3.

Please contact: Christine Weisheit E-mail: cweisheit@telus.net

Hornpipe outfit; size 12-14; top & pants only; in good condition.

Please contact: Colleen

Phone: 604-534-8287 E-mail: colleen_doug@shaw.ca POSTED September 08

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Choreography Performers Needed!

The BCHDA has some very exciting news for all dancers, parents and teachers who love choreography!

On April 4th, 2009 the BCHDA will be holding a special fundraising Choreography concert at the James Cowan Theatre in Burnaby. We formally agreed to hold this show at our last General meeting. Before this meeting we sent out a preliminary notice, to the teachers, of our intent to hold this show and are excited with some of the immediate responses that we received. Now that we are formally going ahead, this is the first official call for dancers, teachers and parents to indicate their interest. While there are quite a few spots available, we want to make sure that we can accommodate everyone who is interested.

This is NOT a competition! And as such our performances are not bound quite as tightly by the SOBHD rules around choreography. We are looking to advertise this show to the broader Celtic community, so are looking to stay fairly close to our Scottish roots. Certainly if you are looking to also enter your choreography in competition as well, you'll need to adhere to Official Board rules around music and steps etc; your teacher will guide you for this. We are looking for solo dancers and groups of any size.

For planning purposes, the James Cowan Theatre stage is approximately 12m (40') by 12m (40'). The front 6m (20') extends forward of the main curtain so there are fantastic opportunities to use all of this area for performance. We have professional Lighting and Sound technicians for the show and Steve Goodman has kindly agreed to share his considerable theatrical experience with us by volunteering to take on the BIG job of Stage Manager (Thank him when you see him at one of our competitions).

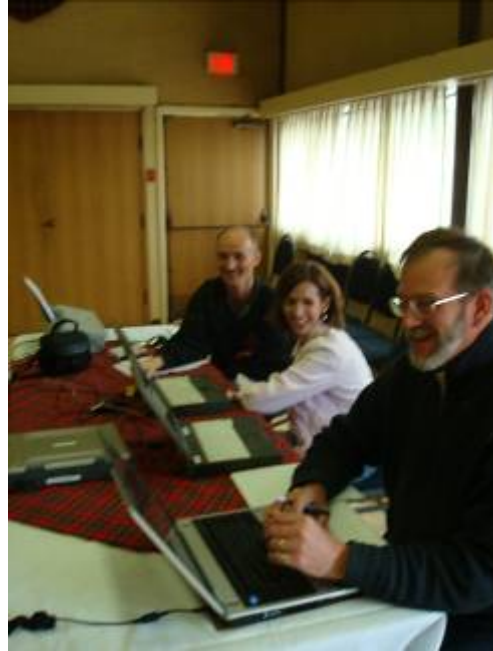
We are quite excited to be able to offer this excellent opportunity for our dancers to perform. Many of the critical pieces are already in place and all we need is YOU! So how do you contact the BCHDA about the show? Bob Collins has agreed to be the overall coordinator for the show. He can be reached by email at bobcollins@telus.net, by phone at 604-325-9535 (home), or by phone or text at 604-202-9837 (cell). Dancers, you won't want to miss this one! And parents should get this one on your calendars now, to hold a place for when the tickets go on sale.

Welcome Home to Highland!

We would like to thank the Goodman and MacPhail families, Tartantown and Tim Hortons for their donations to help make this event a success. Also a round of applause to all the organizers before the event and for everyone who volunteered to help on the day. Door prize winners were Kalicia Bateman and Emma Messenger both received items donated by Tartantown. This year we made a small profit of \$119.85. Although small it is a start. Look for a bigger and better Welcome Home to Highland event next year. See you there!



Treasure Mark Rattray overseeing the costume sales



Scoring training



Dancing memorabilia table



Participants working hard at the dance seminar. 37 attended

Here are the winners of the coloring contest. Lindsey Palmer (Mary Munro studio) and Erika-Shaye Gair (Heather Jolley Studio) we will present them with their prizes at the November 23rd competition.



Notes for the November 23rd. 2008 Closed Competition

Competition will be at Genesis Theatre at Delta Secondary School
5005 - 45th Ave, Ladner (same place as last Nov)

Exec and set-up 8:00 - 8:30am

Doors Open 8:30 am

Pre-Premiers - on stage - 9:30

Premiers - on stage - Noon

Joan Drabyk,
Competition Secretary, BCHDA