How to Read a Square Dance Flyer

There is a lot to learn when you first start square dancing. I hope it is helpful that I wrote something up to help you figure out how to interpret the flyers. - Lorinda Snoozy

Definitions of dances:

How to understand the square dance flyers

No Experience Dance:

These dances are for everyone - no lessons necessary, the caller calls to the level of the floor and starts where ever peoples' knowledge is (sometimes the very beginning, if need be.)

Level Dance or Student Dance:

These dances are for students that are currently taking lessons. They are called to the level (number of calls learned so far) that have been taught at the students' lessons.

For student dancers that are currently taking lessons, go to this website for a list of Level Dances for students to attend at the different clubs in the Mt. Baker area of Washington State. These clubs are in Snohomish County, Skagit County, Whatcom County, Island County and San Juan County. https://sqdance.org/level_dances.html



Note: The information (as of this date) is shown on page 7 under the "Level Dances" section.

Basic Dances:

These dances are for those dancers that have already learned the Basic calls 1-48. These dances are for dancers that have <u>completed</u> the Basic Lessons (14 week series and learned calls 1-51).

Mainstream Dances (MS):

These dances are for those dancers that have already learned the Mainstream calls 52-68 and have graduated from the Mainstream Lessons (10 week series). Do not mistake MS dances that also include the word "Plus or Rounds" on their flyer. At most MS dances, they start out with Round Dancing and have Round Dancing between the MS Tips. Sometimes they alternate the MS Tips with Plus Tips too.

Plus Dances:

These dances are for dancers that have taken additional lessons beyond Mainstream. *If it is a Plus Dance it will not say MS anywhere on the flyer.*

Workshops:

When you see the word "Workshop" i.e. Mainstream Workshop on a flyer, these are not for people that want to learn MS. They are for people that have graduated from MS Lessons that are rusty and want to review.

No Experience Dances are for everyone - no lessons necessary, the caller calls to the level of the floor and starts wherever peoples' knowledge is (sometimes the very beginning if need be.)

• Some examples of No Experience Dance flyers are:



Dudes and Dolls Square Dance Club

Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood 425-337-2906

Sept. 10, 2021

Community Dance

No experience needed!

7:30 - 9:30 pm



Come and learn how to square dance and round dance. New dancers free! Bring a friend! Open to 12 and older.

Caller - Scott Coon

Cuer - Debbie Taylor



Note: The First Friday Fun Fest is always the 1st Friday of the month and they are always No Experience. They do Line Dances between Tips. September through June.

Level Dances or Student Dances are for students that are currently taking lessons. They are called at the level the students are at in their lessons.

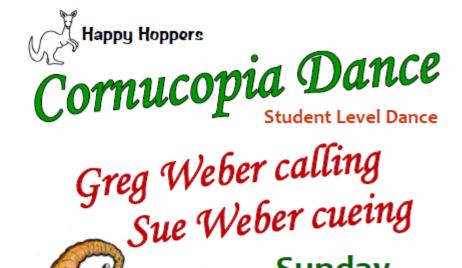
Some examples of Level or Student Level Dances are:



This is a Level Dance for new students that are currently taking lessons.

Note: the "Turkey Lurkey badge" they talk about on this flyer is one of those dangles that you see hanging off other dancers' badges. Theirs probably will have a picture of a turkey on it.





Sunday

Plus 6:00-6:30 Mainstream 6:30-9:00

Vaccination Cards

November 28

www.happyhoppers.org

Stilly Valley Center (formerly Stillaguamish Senior Center) 18308 Smokey Pt. Blvd. (I-5 Exit 206) Arlington, WA 98223 Hearing Enhancement available

& Masks Required

For student dancers (students that are currently taking lessons) go to this website for a list of Level Dances. https://sqdance.org/level_dances.html

These are Level dances for all the clubs in our council for this season (as of October 26, 2021).

		Level Dances					
Date	Club	Theme	Time	Day of Week	Venue	Comments	
Oct. 1, 2021	Whirlybirds	First Friday Funfest		Friday	Hay Loft		
Nov. 5,2021	Whirlybirds	First Friday Funfest		Friday	Hay Loft		
Nov. 12, 2021	Dudes & Dolls	Salute Our Veterans Dance	8 - 10 pm	Friday	Cedar Valley Grange	Experienced Clothing Sal [Flier]	
Nov. 13, 2021	Fern Bluff Squares	Turkey Lurkey	7:30 - 10 pm	Saturday	South Lake Stevens Grange	Floor level badge dance. Chance to win a turkey. [Flier]	
Nov. 23, 2021	Skagit Squares		7 - 9 pm	Tuesday	Mt. Vernon Senior Center		
Nov. 28, 2021	Happy Hoppers			Sunday	Stilly Valley Center		
Dec. 5, 2021	Freewheelers	Toys for Tots	7 - 9:30	Sunday	Cedar Valley Grange		
Dec. 11, 2021	Rainbow Squares			Saturday	Ten Mile Grange		
Dec. 18, 2021	Skagit Squares		8 - 10 pm	Saturday	Mt. Vernon Senior Center		
Dec. 28, 2021	Skagit Squares		7 - 9 pm	Tuesday	Mt. Vernon Senior Center		
Jan. 22, 2022	Rainbow Squares			Saturday	Ten Mile Grange		
Jan. 23, 2022	Happy Hoppers			Sunday	Stilly Valley Center		
April 18, 2022	Skagit Squares		8 - 10 pm	Saturday	Mt. Vernon Senior Center		
Mar. 6, 2022	Freewheelers	Forever In Blue Jeans	7 - 9:30	Sunday	Cedar Valley Grange		
Mar. 11, 2022	Dudes & Dolls	Luck of the Irish Dance	8 - 10 pm	Friday	Cedar Valley Grange	Experienced Clothing Sal	

Also, on the D&D website home page (bottom left) at https://www.dudesanddolls.org you will see our dance schedule. We have only two Level Dances for students to attend. They are highlighted in yellow and labeled "Level Dance."

NOTE: When you finish the Basic Lesson series on December 14th, you may also attend the Basic Dances for the rest of the season (through the end of May.) They are highlighted in green and labeled "Basic Dances". At these dances they call the moves 1-48.

The rest of the dances on the list below are Mainstream. You would need to finish an additional 10 weeks of Mainstream Lessons to attend those dances.



Dudes & Dolls 2021-2022 Dance Schedule

Rounds: Phase 3-4 @ 7:00 PM, Phase 2-3 @ 7:30 PM Square Dance: 8-10:00 PM with Plus Tip Cedar Valley Grange, 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood, WA

DATE	DANCE NAME/THEME	Caller/Cuer
Sept 10	Community Square Dance - No Experience Needed!	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Sept 24	Friday Night Football Night – Favorite football jersey!	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Sept. 25	Welcome Back! – Mainstream with every 3 rd TIP a Plus TIP.	Scott Coon (No ROUNDS)
Oct 8	Boot Scootin' Boogie - BASIC DANCE - Western wear and boots!	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Oct 22	Harvest time at the Grange – Fall is in the air!	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Oct. 23	Mainstream Dance with every 3rd TIP a Plus TIP.	Scott Coon (No ROUNDS)
Oct 29	Monster Mash – 5th Friday Dance with Steve Noseck – Halloween Attire	Steve Noseck/Debbie Taylor
Nov 12	D & D Salute Our Veterans – LEVEL DANCE – Experienced Clothing Sale (Fisher House Donations)	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Nov. 20	Give Thanks Mainstream Dance - No Rounds	Scott Coon
Nov 26	Black Light Disco Night – Neon and white.	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Dec 10	Penguin Paradise – BASIC DANCE	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Dec. 18	Saturday Mainstream Dance – No Rounds	Scott Coon
Dec 31	It's 12 o'clock Somewhere Special New Year's Eve Dance	Scott Coon and ?
Jan14	Tropical Paradise – BASIC DANCE	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Jan 28	Elvis is In the House – All Elvis Singing Calls	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Feb 11	Would You Be Our Valentine? - BASIC DANCE	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Feb 25	When The Saints Go Marching In – Mardi Gras Theme	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Mar 11	Luck Of the Irish – LEVEL DANCE – Experienced Clothing Sale	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Mar 25	Spring Training – Mariners Theme	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
Apr 8	Hot April Nights – BASIC DANCE (Neil Diamond Theme)	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
April 22	D&D 71st Anniversary – Black & White	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
April 29	April Showers - 5th Friday Dance - Spring Theme	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
May 13	Scott Sings Sinatra - BASIC DANCE (Frank Sinatra Songs)	Scott Coon/Debbie Taylor
May 27	Red, White, and You! Special Memorial Day Weekend Dance with Andy Garboden - Ice Cream Social. Line Dancing between Tips.	Andy Garboden (No ROUNDS)

Updated: 10/6/21 www.dudesanddolls.org Contact: Steve Sworen 425-308-3950

Basic Dances are for those dancers that have already learned the Basic calls 1-48. These are dancers who have finished the Basic Lessons (14 week series and who have learned the calls 1-51).

Some examples of Basic Dance flyers are:



This is an old flyer but it says "Basic Square Dance (Moves 1-48)" which was for student dancers. It was held about half way through Basic Lessons so it wasn't really "moves 1-48" like the flyer says. It was a Floor Level Basic Square Dance.

MOUNT BAKER COUNCIL PRESENTS

BASIC SQUARE DANCE (MOVES 1-48)

NEW DANCER FLOOR TIME WITH THE EMPHASIS ON FUN!

Saturday, October 26

7:30-9:30

\$6.00 Donation



"Circle to the Right. To the Right"

Tri-Way Grange 3509 Seattle Hill Road, Mill Creek 98012

Featuring Dave Harry Calling



Mainstream Dances are for those dancers that have completed Basic Lessons and gone on to learn the calls 52-68 and then have graduated from Mainstream Lessons (10 week series).

• Examples of Mainstream (or MS) Dance flyers are:

This dance starts out with Round Dancing. The main dance is Mainstream with alternating Round dances.



This dance starts out with Plus Dancing. The main dance is Mainstream with alternating Round dancing. It doesn't say that there will be alternating Round Dancing, but since there is a name of a Cuer, that would be the clue.





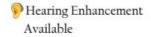
LET'S DANCE!!

Sept. 24, 2021

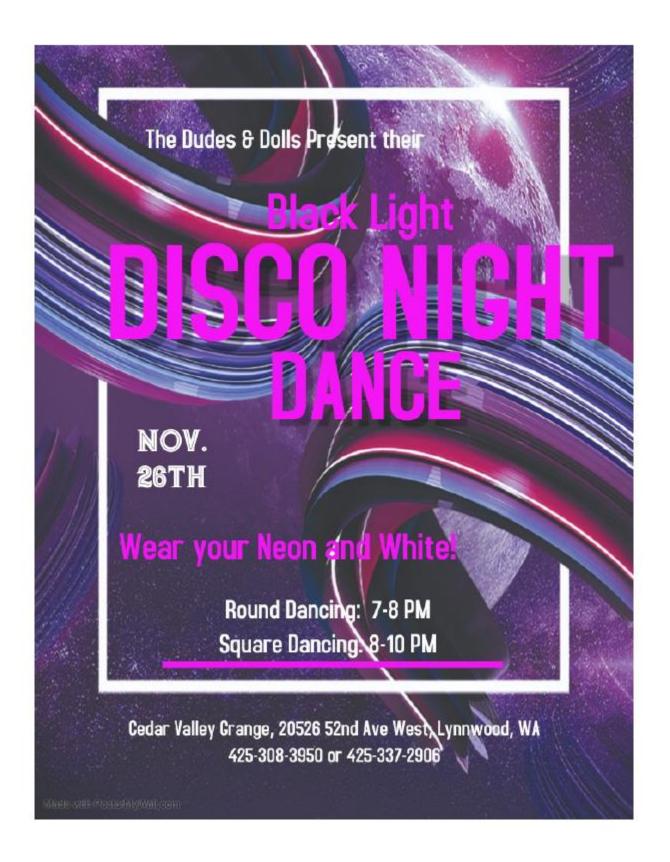
Plus 7:30pm - 8:00pm

Mainstream 8pm - 10pm Caller: Stephen Cole

Masks are highly recommended



Juanita Community Club 13027 100th Ave. NE., Kirkland Credit Cards Accepted www.samenasquares.org This one is tricky because it just says, "Square Dancing." You would be correct to assume it means that it is Mainstream because it doesn't say anything else (like Basic, Level, or Plus).





Frightfully Fun October Dance!

~Saturday October 19th Gary Monday ~ Galler



Pre-Rounds 7:30 Mainstream 8:00-10:30

Karen Neverdowski ~ Cuer

Tri-Way Grange 3509 Seattle Hill Rd Mill Creek, 98012 Hearing Enhancement

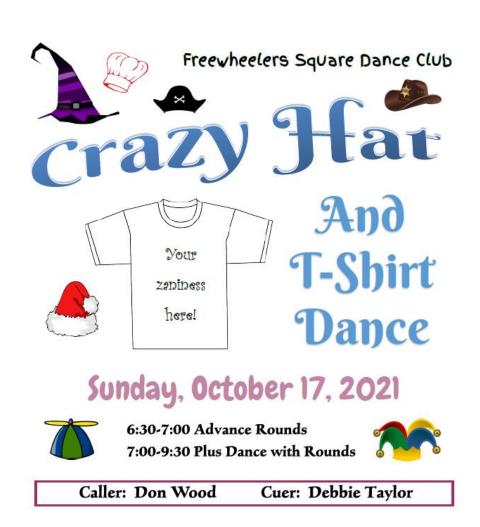


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• Examples of Plus Dance flyers are:

This dance starts out with Round dancing. The main dance is a "Plus Dance with Rounds," which means it is for Plus dancers. Plus Tips with Round dances are alternated.





Location: Cedar Valley Grange 20526 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood, WA

26 52nd Ave W, Lynnwood, WA

Check our website for more information:

Www.squaredanceseattle.com

This dance starts out with Round dancing. The main dance is a "Plus Dance with Rounds" which means it is for Plus dancers and they alternate Plus Tips with Round dances.



Workshops:

When you see the word "Workshop" i.e. Mainstream Workshop on a flyer, these are not for people that want to learn MS. They are for people that have graduated from MS Lessons that are rusty and want to review.

• Examples of flyers that include a workshop:

Mainstream Square Dancing is...

THE SECRET TO HAPPINESS

(In my opinion.)

Mainstream Dancing/Workshops Starting September 16th, 2021

Thursday Nights 7-9 PM

Juanita Community Club (Where the Samena Squares Dance)

13027 - 100th Avenue NE Kirkland, WA 98034

Details

Caller: Stephen Cole Cost: Donation

-- Masks are required -- Calls will be workshopped as needed

No set fee -- Hearing enhancment provided --

-- There will be a sign-in sheet at the door for contact tracing --

-- Casual dress -- No food -- Bring your own water --

-- On occasion, a call or two might be borrowed from another program just for fun --

For more information: stephen@isquaredance.com 206-769-4959 (Leave message)

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This dance has several things going on. They have Round dancing before the main dance starts. Following that and also before the main dance starts, they have a ½ hour MS Workshop for dancers to review the calls that will be included in the MS dance. The Mainstream dance will switch between MS Tips, Plus Tips and Round dances. You do not have to know how to dance Plus or Rounds to go to this dance. However, you will only be able to dance when they are dancing MS. Notice at this dance, every third Tip will be a Plus. Proof of vaccination is required.

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November 19, 2021

WELCOME MAINSTREAM DANCERS!

Mainstream with Plus every third tip

STEVE NOSECK calling BOB BERKA cueing



Honoring the Red, White and Blue!

7:00 Pre-Rounds Phases 2 - 4

7:30 Mainstream Workshop

8:00-10:00 Mainstream and Plus w/Rounds

PROOF OF VACCINATION REQUIRED

Skagit Valley Grange 21273 Cook Road, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284 Robert & Hope Webster 360-682-5348 rwwebster@hotmail.com This one might seem tricky, because it does say, "All dancers are welcome!" This is a MS Workshop, for dancers that have already completed MS Lessons. Sometimes the people that make the flyers don't think about new dancers that might be reading their flyers. In this case, what they are trying to convey is that all MS dancers, no matter how rusty they might be (some have not danced since they stopped dancing when Covid shut dancing down almost two years ago), are welcome.





Square Crows "Dusting off the Cobwebs" Workshops

The Square Crows will be hosting four workshops to get us ready for our first regular dance on November 19, 2021. Vance Morrison will be conducting the workshops.

We want to regain our "muscle memory" or may just need some practice. All dancers are welcome!

Dates: October 24th

October 31st November 7th November 14th

The workshops will be held on Sunday afternoons from 2:30 to 4:30 at the Triway Grange. Note: This is a change of venue as the Northshore Senior Center cannot do Sundays at this time. Triway Grange is located at 3509 Seattle Hill Rd 98021.

Current health guidelines will be followed.

Workshop fee: \$6.00

Questions? Please call 206-914-2253

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HARVEST MOON DANCE

Friday, October 15, 2021 Brent Mawdsley calling Bob Berka cueing

7:00 Pre-Rounds Phases 2-4
7:30 Plus Workshop
8:00-10:00 Plus Dancing with Rounds
ONLY Vaccinated Dancers Admitted

Must Show Proof of Vaccinations at the Door

Masks According to Current Safety Protocols

Bring your own water and snacks

Skagit Valley Grange 21273 Cook Road, Sedro Woolley
Info: Robert & Hope Webster 360-682-5348 rwwebster@hotmail.com

So, now you have some idea of how to read the square dance flyers.

You can find the current flyers for our area at this website https://sqdance.org/downloads.html

Additionally, you can find a monthly calendar of dances in our area at this website https://sqdance.org/newcal/calendar.html

If you're unsure--or simply want to know--ask your caller/teacher if a dance is appropriate for you.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to send me an email at lorindas@comcast.net or call my home phone (it is a landline - no texts) at 425-644-5931 and I'd be happy to help you.

Once you get farther along in your dancing, there are other places to look for flyers and information. I could help you with that as well.

When you are at lessons or dances, many of the flyers will be posted on the bulletin boards too.

See you here, there, or in a square!

Kindly, Lorinda Snoozy Dudes & Dolls Secretary