

HANDS ACROSS THE WATER

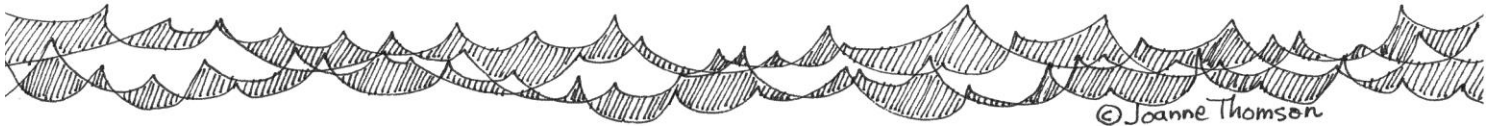


An English Country Dance Weekend

September 7 – 9, 2018
Victoria, B.C.

TREVOR MONSON
Dance Leader

Music by
THE DANCEHALL PLAYERS & FRIENDS



TREVOR MONSON Like many, I started folk dancing in my school days, in Hull, but enjoyed it! A local folk song club that I attended formed an English dance team, of which I became a member. But soon after that I went to study at Cardiff University and the first thing I did was join its Welsh Folk Dance Society. I continued having years of enjoyment dancing with different Welsh teams in the area, and also learnt Welsh clog dancing. I met Gill, my wife, whilst in Wales - and she introduced me to Scottish dancing, which we still do.

In 1985, we moved to South Yorkshire, where we soon found a North West Morris team to join, and this led us into English social dancing. My calling experience started in the late 80's when Whitby Folk Festival asked me to take a series of Welsh workshops. After this I was gradually booked for other festivals and dances around the country to call/teach Welsh dances, but now mainly English dances. I have also started writing English style dances, some of which I will inflict on you during this weekend!

I enjoy dancing all types of English dances, and especially like finding 'new' dances to try out and teach. But that doesn't mean I haven't got any of the old favourites in my repertoire.

THE DANCEHALL PLAYERS The unique sound of The Dancehall Players (and friends) may be heard on Thursday evenings at Dan's Hall, here in Victoria. The band is delighted to share its music with the greater dance community. Gregory Brown, flute/guitar; Aaron Ellingsen, violin/mandolin; Susan Larkin, violin/recorders; Ann Schau, keyboard; Lael Whitehead, recorders/percussion/guitar; Barrie Webster, cello; Patricia Kostek, clarinet.

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Dance Leader Trevor Monson

Friday Evening September 7th

7:30 – 10:30 Dance with Trevor Monson & Rosemary Lach

Saturday September 8th

9:30 – 11:00 Dances by people in the north (of England) – Fairly new dances written within the last 25 years or so.

11:15– 12:30 Some I wrote earlier! I don't normally take a workshop of just my dances, but after coming all this way have decided to do so!

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1:30 – 3:00 Welsh Dance Workshop A selection of dances that I used to dance when living in Wales (1967 - 85). Nothing will be included that English dancers can't cope with.

Saturday Evening September 8th

7:30 – 10:30 Dance

Sunday September 9th

10:00– 11:15 What comes next' - do callers keep calling for too long? Should we leave it more to dancers to remember what comes next and be able to hear the music?

11:30– 1:00 Some of my favourites - at the moment! – A chance for dancers to ask for dances from the weekend to be repeated, and/or some more that I enjoy dancing.

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All Workshops and Dances are fragrance free.

Workshop and dance fee including lunch is \$105.00 Canadian (US \$85).
There will be a \$10 fee if cancelled after Aug 15, 2018.

To register please mail registration form and fee (cheques or money orders payable to VECDS) to: Claudia Haagen, 2583 Thompson Avenue, Victoria BC V8R 3L2. Grants are available. For queries contact: Claudia Haagen chaagen@telus.net <http://www.vecds.bc.ca>
VECDS is an affiliate of the Country Dance & Song Society: <http://www.cdss.org>

Registration Form

Name(s):

Street Address:

City:

Province/State:

Phone (____) _____ e-mail _____

May we share your contact information with other attendees? Yes No

For Out of Town Guests

Our dancers are pleased to offer their homes to visitors. Space is limited and assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, according to the date of mailing.

Do you need housing? no yes for ____ people

Do you have any allergies? no yes to _____

Do you smoke? yes no

Will you have your own car? yes no

CHEQUE IS ENCLOSED FOR _____ people. Total \$_____

There will be vegetarian & gluten-free options available for lunch. If you have other dietary concerns please be sure to make adequate provision for yourself.