

# The Victoria English Ball

Simply  
Elegant



April 2, 2011

Presented by the Victoria English Country Dance Society  
at the First Unitarian Church, 5575 West Saanich Road, Victoria, BC

## **Dance Leader: Brooke Friendly**

Brooke is an energetic, community oriented teacher and dance choreographer. She has been on staff at numerous dance camps and events around North America and was recently program director of the Bay Area Country Dance Society English Dance and Music Week. Since 1996, Brooke and Chris Sackett -- her partner in life and dance - have devised English and Scottish Country Dances to increasing national acclaim. They have published three books of their dances, available from the Country Dance and Song Society. [www.cdss.org](http://www.cdss.org) For more information about Brooke, check her website, [www.BrookeFriendlyDance.com](http://www.BrookeFriendlyDance.com)

## **Music: The Dancehall Players**

Victoria dancers have been enjoying the unique sound of the Dancehall Players for many years. It is a pleasure to be able to share their sound with the dance community at large. Their CD, **Live from Dan's Hall** is available from the Country Dance and Song Society. [www.cdss.org](http://www.cdss.org)  
Gregory Brown, flute and guitar; Susan Larkin, fiddle and recorder; Keith Malcolm, fiddle;  
Karen McIvor, cello; Dan Page, mandolin; Ann Schau, keyboard and musical arrangements.

Morning workshop, lunch, evening ball and Sunday brunch all for \$45 CAD.

The Ball is limited to 80 people so register early.

Everyone welcome. No partner necessary.

This is a fragrance-free event. Festive attire encouraged.

Please join us for our Friday night dance, 7:30 – 10:30pm \$10

**Friday evening dance: April Fools' Day! 7:30 – 10:30pm (\$10)**

Come and join us for a light-hearted pre-ball dance, called by **Rosemary Lach**

**Saturday morning dance workshop, 10:00am – 12:30pm**

First Unitarian Church, 5575 West Saanich Road

Brooke will review some of the Ball dances and, if time permits, may present other dances. Brooke chose a programme of dances that she thought might be less familiar to the dancers. She would like to focus on specific figures and how to dance them well.

**Saturday lunch and a time for socializing 12:30pm – 2:00pm**

The afternoon is free for visiting and sightseeing.

**The Victoria English Ball, 8:00 – 11:00pm, preceded by couple dancing 7:30 – 8:00pm**

Dances will be chosen from the following list. St. Margaret's Hill will not be called or prompted at the Ball. Workshop attendance is advised.

Banish Misfortune  
Cumberland Square 8  
Impropriety  
Orleans Baffled  
Rock the Boat  
Tributary

Chocolate Equation  
Easter Thursday  
Jamaica  
The Play's the Thing  
St. Margaret's Hill\*  
Upon a Summer's Day

Concealed Health  
Footprints in the Sand  
Knole Park  
Punch Bowl  
To Dance Devine

**Sunday brunch time**

Finish off your weekend by joining us for a luscious brunch at Pat Mason's house.

VECDS is an affiliate of the Country Dance and Song Society.

For further information, contact Suzanne at [sbullen@shaw.ca](mailto:sbullen@shaw.ca) or 250-479-8662

Line drawing courtesy of Joanne Thomson, [www.joannethomson.com](http://www.joannethomson.com)

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Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be driving? \_\_\_\_\_ I am requesting housing for \_\_\_\_\_ people. I can offer housing for \_\_\_\_\_ people.

Special housing, allergy or dietary needs \_\_\_\_\_

Registration \$45 CAD/person. Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Note: a \$10 fee will be charged for all cancellations postmarked after March 15<sup>th</sup> 2011.

Accommodation in the homes of dance community members is limited and will be assigned on a first come, first served basis.

If we are unable to accommodate you, we will provide a list of reasonably priced hotels in the area.

Please make cheques or money orders payable to VECDS and mail to S. Bullen, 220 Stormont Road, Victoria, BC V9B 1P6

# The Victoria Ball

*Travel through time ~ Travel the world ~ Travel across the dance floor*

**March 23, 2013**

**S.J.WILLIS EDUCATION CENTRE AUDITORIUM, 923 TOPAZ AVENUE, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA**

## **Friday, March 22** *English Country Dance*

7 pm to 10 pm

Enjoy an evening of local flavour, with our favourite callers and dances.  
Instruction from 7pm to 7:30.

## **Saturday, March 23**

The Saturday events begin at 11:30, to give the opportunity for out of town guests to visit Victoria, or for dancers from the mainland to take an early morning ferry. Have a late brunch or an early lunch before the workshop, and you'll be ready to start a wonderful day of dancing.

### *Classic English Country Dance Workshop*

11:30 am–12:30 pm

### *Break & Entertainment*

Note: light refreshments only.

12:30–1:30 pm

### *Working Together in Poussettes Dance Workshop*

1:30 pm–2:30 pm

## **The Victoria Ball**

Preceded by couple dancing 7:30 – 8:00pm

8:00 – 11:00pm

## **Sunday, March 24** Plan to join us for brunch

### **Dances Lead by Nikki Herbst**

Nikki Herbst is a well-known dance gypsy who spends as much time on the road as she does at her home in Iowa City, Iowa. She has led English country dancing at festivals, camps, and community dances across the U.S., Canada, and England. Her teaching style blends dance instructions with the presentation of historical information, demonstrations, style tips, memory aids, and cheerleading, all in the hopes of inspiring dancers of all ability levels to have the most meaningful dance experience possible.



### **The Dancehall Players**

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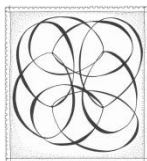
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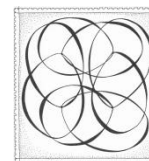
Dances for our travel themed ball will be chosen from the following list.

\*Newcastle will be lightly prompted, with no walk-through, at the Ball. Workshop attendance is advised.

Autumn in Amherst  
Dublin Bay  
Far Away  
Freeford Gardens  
The Homecoming  
Jamaica



Kelsterne Gardens  
Leather Lake House  
Long Live London  
Newcastle\*  
News from Tripoli  
Portsmouth



Smithy Hill  
A Trip to Kilburn  
A Trip to Paris  
A Trip to Tunbridge  
Waters of Holland  
Randolph Farewell



# The Victoria Ball

March 23, 2013, Victoria, British Columbia

## Registration Form

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Province/State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

### For Local Dancers

Can you provide housing? ☐ yes ☐ no

For \_\_\_\_ people

Do you have animals? ☐ yes ☐ no

Smoke? ☐ yes ☐ no

### For Out of Town Guests

Do you need housing? ☐ yes ☐ no

For \_\_\_\_ people

Do you have any allergies to animals? ☐ yes ☐ no

Do you smoke? ☐ yes ☐ no

Will you have a car for local driving? ☐ yes ☐ no

Do you have special dietary needs? ☐ yes ☐ no  
details: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate your choice:	Price per Person	# of People	Total Price
Friday March 22 Dance, and Saturday March 23 Workshops and <i>The Victoria Ball</i>	\$60 CAN (\$65 US)		
Friday March 22 Dance (only)	\$15 CAN (\$15 US)		
Saturday March 23 Workshops and <i>The Victoria Ball</i> (only)	\$50 CAN (\$55 US)		

CHEQUE IS ENCLOSED FOR \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ in Canadian \$ ☐ in US \$

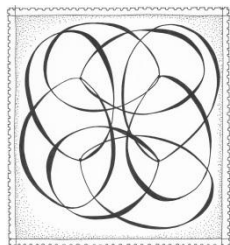
Please make cheques or money orders payable to VECDS. Mail to S. Bullen, 220 Stormont Road, Victoria, BC V9B 1P6

Note: a \$10 fee will be charged for all cancellations postmarked after March 1 2013.

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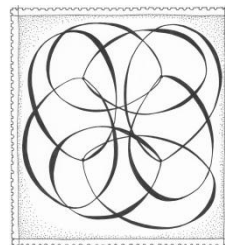
For further information, contact Suzanne at [sbullen@shaw.ca](mailto:sbullen@shaw.ca) or 250-479-8662. Our website is <http://vecds.bc.ca/>



The Ball is limited to 120 people, so register early.

Everyone welcome. No partner necessary.

This is a fragrance-free event. Festive attire encouraged.



Line drawings courtesy of Joanne Thomson

# The Victoria Ball

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, 1401 ROCKLAND AVENUE, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

CALLER: *Rosemary Lach*

MUSIC BY *The Dancehall Players*

## FRIDAY, MARCH 27

### *English Country Dance*

7 pm to 10 pm

Enjoy an evening of local flavour, with our favourite callers and dances.

Location: Cadboro Bay United Church, 2625 Arbutus Rd., Saanich, BC

## SATURDAY, MARCH 28

### *Ball Workshop*

10 am – 12 noon

Location: Cadboro Bay United Church, 2625 Arbutus Rd., Saanich, BC

### *Lunch & Entertainment*

12 noon – 1:30 pm

### *The Victoria Ball*

7:00 pm – 10:30 pm

Preceded by couple dancing 6:30 – 7:00pm

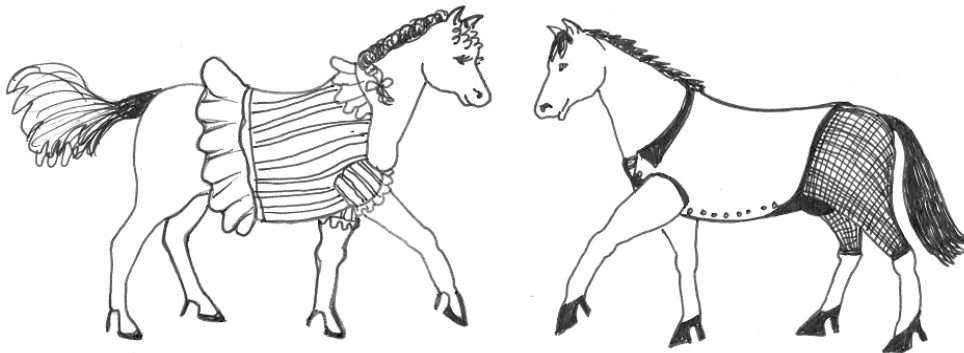
Location: Government House, 1401 Rockland Avenue, Victoria, British Columbia

Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

## SUNDAY, MARCH 29

Post-Ball Brunch Enjoy a late morning feast prepared by Victoria dance community members.

For further information, contact Claudia Haagen [chaagen@telus.net](mailto:chaagen@telus.net) or 250-386-3630 <http://vecds.bc.ca/>



The 2015 Ball celebrates the 15th anniversary of the Victoria English Country Dance Society. This special occasion will be hosted at Government House by the Honourable Judith Guichon, Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia. Government House is the official residence of the Lieutenant Governor and the ceremonial home of all British Columbians. Please join us for this very special event.

Festive attire encouraged. This is a fragrance-free event.  
Everyone welcome. No partner necessary.

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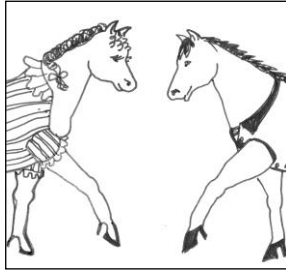
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MARCH 28, 2015. GOVERNMENT HOUSE, 1401 ROCKLAND AVENUE, VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA

DANCES LED BY

*Rosemary Lach*

Rosemary Lach is well-known as a caller and teacher of English Country Dance, and is the founder of the Victoria English Country Dance Society. For this 15th anniversary Ball, Rosemary has included a waltz cotillion in the Ball programme as it may have been danced at Government House in 1864.



MUSIC BY

*The Dancehall Players*

For many years Victoria dancers have been enjoying the unique sound of The Dancehall Players, founded by Dan Page and Ann Schau. It is a pleasure to be able to share their musical talents with the dance community at large.

Gregory Brown, flute/guitar; Susan Larkin, violin/recorder; Keith Malcolm, violin; Karen McIvor, cello; Ann Schau, keyboard; Lael Whitehead, percussion, recorder

Dances will be chosen from the following list.

Annika's Road \*  
Autumn Moon  
Dunsmuir Waltz  
Fair & Softly  
Freeford Gardens  
Waltz Cotillion \*

Horseplay  
The Hunt  
The Jockey  
Leslie's Valentine  
Muriel's Measure  
Woodland chase

Pony Express  
Puck's Deceit  
Sir Roger de Coverley \*\*  
Up with Aily  
Wakefield Hunt  
Woodstock Park

\* Workshop recommended for Annika's Road and Waltz Cotillion.

\*\* Sir Roger de Coverley will not be called at the Ball

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## 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—but special needs and transportation considerations will also affect how accommodation is assigned. If we are unable to accommodate you, we will provide a list of reasonably priced hotels in the area.

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

We will provide the following dietary options for lunch. Please circle your choice:

Omnivore Vegetarian

Indicate your choice:	Price per Person	# of People	Total Price
Friday March 27 Dance, and Saturday March 28 Workshop and <i>The Victoria Ball</i>	\$70 CAN (\$65 US)		
Saturday March 28 Workshop and <i>The Victoria Ball</i>	\$60 CAN (\$55 US)		

CHEQUE IS ENCLOSED FOR \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ in Canadian \$ ☐ in US \$

Please make cheques or money orders payable to *Victoria English Country Dance Society*.

Mail to Claudia Haagen, 2583 Thompson Avenue, Victoria, BC Canada, V8R 3L2

Note: a \$10 fee will be charged for all cancellations postmarked after March 1 2015.



# Victoria Ball Programme

**April 8, 2017**

**Jenny Beer with  
the Dancehall Players**

Grand March & Champagne

Money in both Pockets

Set for Spring

Noisette

Good Day to You, Too!

Duchess of York Street

**Short Break**

Michedonia

Dusty Miller

Heading for Zero

Good Man of Cambridge

**TEA**

Lilliburlero

Stepping Stones

Levi Jackson Rag

Fourpence Ha'penny Farthing

Astonished Archaeologist

Serenity

Jubilee at Eindhoven



# The Victoria Ball

**April 7 - 9th, 2017**

all dance events at: Victoria Edelweiss Club, 108 Niagara Street, Victoria, BC V8V 1E9

**Caller: Jenny Beer      Music: The Dancehall Players and Friends**



## **Friday, April 7th**

Pre-Ball English Country Dance *(with local callers)*

7 - 10 PM

## **Saturday, April 8th**

Ball Workshop

10 :00 AM - 12:30

Lunch and Entertainment

12:30 - 2:00 PM

The Victoria Ball *(preceded by waltzes 7:00 - 7:30)*

7:30 - 10:30 PM

## **Sunday, April 9th**

Post-Ball brunch

10:00

Enjoy a late-morning feast prepared by the Victoria dance community. Contributions welcome!

Location: Ann and Mikkel Schau's. 3919 Woodhaven Terrace, V8N 1S7 (off Tudor Avenue on Ten Mile Point).



Festive attire encouraged. These are fragrance-free events.

Everyone welcome. No partner necessary

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# The Victoria Ball

The Victoria Edelweiss Club, 108 Niagara Street, Victoria, BC, V8V 1E9

**Dances led by Jenny Beer:** Jenny Beer is a lively, engaging caller whose goal is to make everyone happy -- the hardcore dancers, the musicians, the now-and-then dancers, those with high energy, and those who are feeling less spry, the ones eager to learn new dances, the ones who love old favorites. And yes, she crafts a new dance now and again. Jenny lives near Philadelphia and recently served 2 terms as the VP of the CDSS board.

**Music by The Dancehall Players:** Victoria's Favorite English Country dance band plays regularly for dances in Victoria, the Gulf Islands and Vancouver. They have released three CDs.

## Dances will be chosen from the following:

Astonished Archeologist	Good Man of Cambridge	Money in Both Pockets
Champagne	Heading for Zero	Noisette
Duchess of York Street	Jubilee at Eindhoven	Serenity
Dusty Miller	Levi Jackson Rag	Set for Spring
Fourpence Ha'penny Farthing	Lilliburlero	Stepping Stones
Good Day to You, Too!	Michedonia	



## Registration Form

The Victoria Ball: **\$65 CAN/ \$50 US**. The Victoria Ball plus Friday night dance: **\$75 CAN/ \$58 US**

There will be a \$10 fee if cancelled after March 10, 2017

Please mail registration form and fee (cheques or money orders payable to VECDS) to: Claudia Haagen, 2583 Thompson Avenue, Victoria, BC Canada, V8R 3L2. For queries, contact Claudia Haagen [chaagen@telus.net](mailto:chaagen@telus.net)

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Province/State \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

May we share your information with other attendees? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### For Out of Town Guests

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Do you need housing? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ For how many people? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any allergies? If so, please specify \_\_\_\_\_

Do you smoke? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Will you have your own car? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Cheque is enclosed for \_\_\_\_\_ people. Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

There will be vegetarian and gluten-free options for lunch on Saturday.

If you have other dietary needs, please make sure to bring provisions for yourself.



## The Victoria English Country Ball April 5-7th 2019

**Dances led by Erik Weberg:** Erik Weberg has been calling Contra and English country dances, festivals and weekends around the United States since 1990. His criteria for selecting dances are simple: they have to feel good and they have to be fun. Flow, interesting figures, and connection with the music are what make dancing sublime. He strives to teach clearly with a playful approach and a good sense of community cooperation. Erik combines dancing, calling, choreography, and dance programming with music-making, playing with the contra dance band 'Joyride' and the English country dance band 'The Fine Companions.' He dances, calls, and makes music from his home base in Portland, Oregon.

**Music by The Dancehall Players:** Victoria's favourite English Country dance band plays regularly in Victoria, and occasionally on the Gulf Islands, Vancouver, and Seattle. They recently released their fourth CD, *An Evening at Dan's Hall*.

The program will be selected from the following dances:

After Dinner Maggot  
A Garland for Judy  
Dunrobin Castle  
Elephant Stairs  
Flora and Phaon

Freeford Gardens  
Impropriety  
Mister Adson's Masque  
O Frabjous Day  
Pine Cones

Pine in the Path  
Pluck Me a Fig  
The Hole in the Wall  
The Merry Andrew  
Trip to Provence  
Trip to the Jubilee



Festive and spring-themed  
attire encouraged.  
This is a fragrance free event.  
Everyone welcome.  
No partner necessary.  
Participants are required to sign a waiver.



# The Victoria English Country Ball

April 5-7th 2019

**Caller: Erik Weberg**

**Music: The Dancehall Players**

## **Friday, April 5th**

English Country Dance (with local callers) 7:00-10:00 PM

( NOTE: all dances located : Victoria Edelweiss Club,  
108 Niagara Street, Victoria BC V8V 1E9)

## **Saturday, April 6th**

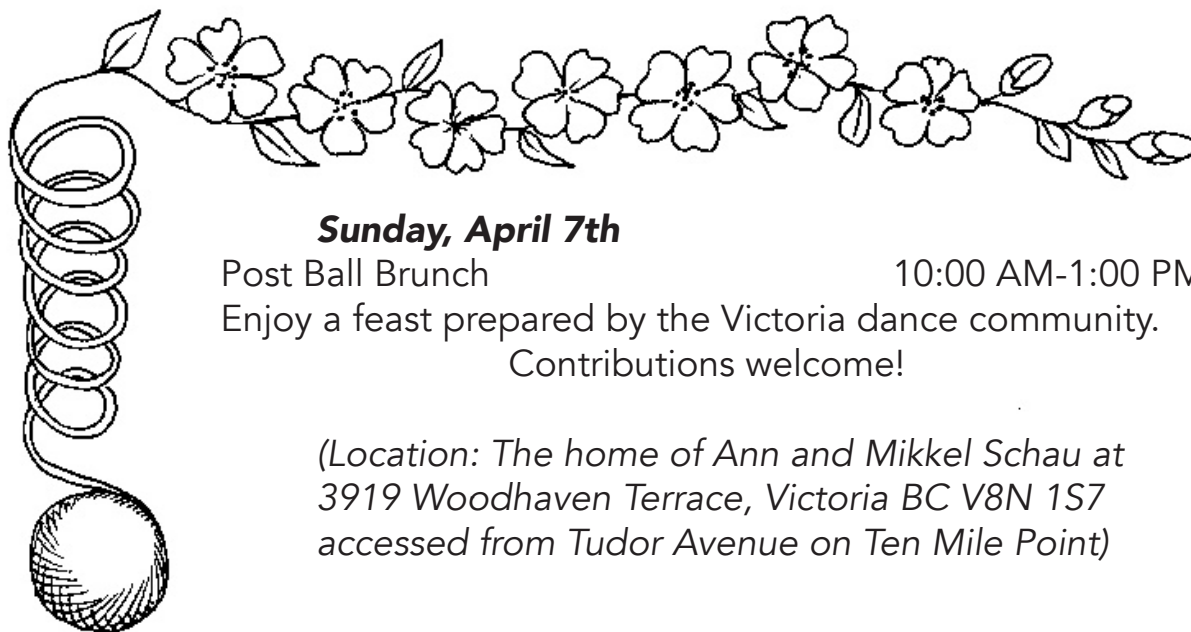
Ball workshop 10:00 AM-12:30 PM

Lunch and entertainment 12:30-2:00 PM

### *Afternoon Break*

Waltzing 7:00-7:30 PM

The Victoria English Country Ball 7:30-10:30 PM



## **Sunday, April 7th**

Post Ball Brunch 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Enjoy a feast prepared by the Victoria dance community.  
Contributions welcome!

(Location: The home of Ann and Mikkel Schau at  
3919 Woodhaven Terrace, Victoria BC V8N 1S7  
accessed from Tudor Avenue on Ten Mile Point)

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