

CSCD Chairperson Report 2019

Before I read out my report, I would like to thank you for your support, not only to me personally but to each other. We are a team, and function so much better when we work together in harmony.

It hardly seems any time at all since I was reading out my chairperson report for 2018. How quickly the time passes, but what a lot we have packed into 12 months of dancing together.

In March we welcomed Jeanette Whitford to lead us in dance at Sauchie, and then the following afternoon in Auchterarder. Jeanette's dances were lovely, and very enjoyable but it was thought that it would have been enhanced by having some livelier ones.

Our summer weekend in St. Andrews dancing with Anne-Lise was a great success. The venue was deemed to be the best ever, and the meals were delicious. The only negative comments about the weekend were to do with the flooring, as some folk found it very unforgiving. However, after much discussion with both the committee and those who attended, we have booked to return there in June 2020 which will be led by Lilly Sell.

Keryn kindly organised a teacher's practice afternoon on 30th June, where we enjoyed a varied selection of dances we wished to perfect. Our thanks were passed on to our "guinea pigs" who patiently helped us.

Gartmore welcomed Paul Boizot and his partner Diane for a lovely day of dancing, enjoyed by all.

On Saturday 2nd November we held our annual Autumn Share day in Sauchie which was a lovely occasion. The feedback was all very positive, and the dances chosen were a real mix of styles and tempo.

Looking ahead to next year to our next event, Barbara Driscoll and her husband Mike are returning to Scotland on 25th April for a day of dance in the lovely Parklands venue. They will also hold an afternoon of dancing in Sauchie the following day. Barbara is such a popular teacher and I am delighted to say that we are fully booked for this event, and currently running a waiting list. There are other events listed in our calendar, but as some are still to be confirmed, they are not included in my report.

Interspersed with all our CSCD events this year, Rose shared two weekends of dancing in Wydale, sharing the teaching with Lilly Sell, and also held a summer dance afternoon in Cupar where proceeds went to "Hearing Dogs". At the end of April Keryn organised an afternoon of dancing with Francesca in Auchterarder, which has now become an annual event.

I hope that I have not left anything out of this report, but just to finish, I want to say again how much I value your support, your friendship, and your dedication to circle dancing.

Lynne Barlow