

KIM RAY

On June the 26th, We had The Sideliners BBQ, and Kim Ray workshop, About 60 attended, most of whom were 'Sideliners' and it was great to see so many of you from all our different classes, in the same hall!! Kim, as usual was on top form, bringing several of her friends with her. I hope they all enjoyed the night as much as we all did.

Kim taught three dances. 'Duck Soup' a nice easy beginner dance, 32 counts and nothing too hard to worry our less experienced dancers, all seemed to enjoy doing this dance and is still requested.

Next came Kim's own 'Diamonds' a 48 count, intermediate, 4 walls. with 3 restarts and a finale which is only 40 counts long!!! Some liked this others didn't but all danced it on the night making a great job of it to!

The last dance taught was 'Jesabel' another of Kim's, 48 counts, 2 walls, intermediate, with no restarts or bridges...phew!! Seemed quite an easy teach, and most liked this one. will teach them all again in class over the next few weeks. Thanks again to Kim we always enjoy your visits, and we can't wait for the 'Club weekend next year, especially as we twisted your arm to join us!!!

It seemed to be a very busy night, what with Kim's workshop, the lovely and beautifully cooked BBQ, (Many thanks to Jane & Joy) The dance shoe stall, a raffle, and Anna 'the door lady's sparkly necklaces and earrings, don't know how we fitted everything in..but we did!! Hope everyone had fun on and off the dance floor. Thanks to all who attended don't forget the next big night is Magill in september.

Saturday night found us at Heythrop Park, as we had been hired to entertain the 'Kingston' rotary club, after their black tie dinner. We took Sue and Sheila along with us to help out, with feet on floor. We arrived in good time at 8.30pm, to be told the hotel were running late serving dinner!! To cut a long story short.(if only we could of done that with some of their speeches!!) We finally hit the floor at 11.30!! but it was good fun and they were great people, up for a laugh which they did, loudly!! We taught them one line dance, one partner dance, and the good old faithful Cheeseburger. They did manage to tie themselves into some pretty impressive knots!! But all seemed to have fun, which is after all the main thing.

EVESHAM RIVER FESTIVAL

This year, as we, The Sideliners were sharing a slot with another group, we decided to try dancing the '12 years of Line Dance History' in 35 minutes!!

Starting off with cowboy hats on (took us back a few years to start with!) We danced the 'Electric Slide'.....yes.....to none other than Achy Breaky Heart!! Moving onto Grundy Gallop, Country Walking,.....You get the idea? we wound up the old section, with Summertime Cha Cha, (Never seen hats come off heads that quick in my life!!!!)

Then it was time to bring in the modern stuff, Fire on Ice, Catch the Rain, etc, and finishing our set off with the funky 'Feed the Fetish' all in all we danced 15 dances, (the music very expertly, faded in and out, so it ran seamlessly for 35 mins, by our very own web master Jo..how does she do all the technical stuff?)

The large crowd seemed to thoroughly enjoy it, and stayed to watch it all, As usual 'The Sideliners' not only looked very smart in their black club shirts and black trousers, (check out the photo's) but they danced brilliantly too, Thanks to all who come to fly the club colours! If it had been a competition between the two clubs... we all know who would have won...hands down!!!

BLOXHAM SCHOOL

August, and on a cold, very wet, evening, four of us arrived at Boxham School, to teach 55 teenagers, and 7 staff, how to Line Dance! We set up in a kinda small music room, and waited nervously for our charges to appear, wondering if they would all even fit on the floor, let alone dance.

After being introduced, the reins were handed to us. I then said jokingly if they were expecting cowboy hats, boots and yee haa's they were going to be disappointed.

(Really, get fed up with the fact that we cannot seem to shake off that image)

They turned out to be a great bunch, all hitting the floor, and learning the dances with great gusto!! We did dances like Texas Stomp, Cowgirl Twist, Country Walking, Eye Candy, the ever funny Cheesebuger. We even had them up and doing the Barn Dance, progressive style with not one of them going wrong or ending up with the wrong partner!! ...All the music was modern, much to the utter enjoyment of the young crowd. using the music from Cherry Poppin' Black and Gold, Gotta Hitch, Rock this Party, Nu Flow, to name but a few! and doing the twist to the rocky Prison Break!! This really was a hugely enjoyable evening, and as there seemed to be equal numbers of boys and girls, we had a little competition between them! lets just say the girls danced very well and the boys....with large amounts of energy and great free styling!!

All seemed to have great fun, us included, and we had a letter in the post that very same week hiring us for next year, so guess we did a good job!!!

Our Magill night has sold out, with I think four local clubs supporting us, as well as our own, and a few folk, coming from quite far away, to join us, can't wait to meet you all, have fun on the night! Will let you know how it all goes soon!!

CORNWALL

Leaving the friday class in Norma's capable hands, 7 of us, drove down to Cornwall for a long weekend, We stayed at 'Moorlands' a beach house which looked down on the beautiful coast line of St Agnes. The view was stunning!! and all the bedrooms, the living room, the conservatory,(where we ate breakfast thanks Sue!) had the same gorgeous scene.

The weekend was brilliant, thanks to the great company, hard to sleep when your sides are aching and your face hurts from laughing to much!! Check out the photo's to see how much fun we had. Oh.. and its amazing how much fun, you can have, with a continuous self timer on your camera! We even had new hoodies made up with the words 'Sideliners on tour' on the back!!

Really fab weekend, great scenery, great friends, loads of laughter, way to much food!!,

but huge fun, thanks you guys!