

# **From Our Presidents**

Hello everybody!

First lesson of the season was a HUGE success. There were 28 students, several of which immediately said they'd be coming back for the 2nd lesson. This is greatly influenced by Dan teaching in a way that was not too intimidating or overwhelming, but also thanks to all of YOU! For not only helping and guiding the students in the squares, but also talking and mingling with them between tips, already making them feel like Hotfoot can be their home. If we're able to set that welcoming, homey atmosphere from literally the first night like that, Hotfoot is guaranteed to stay a strong, healthy, vibrant club for years to come.

Speaking of the club staying for years, I know we keep pestering everyone about volunteers, but volunteers are literally what make this club run. There are several positions that we would like to see filled, but the most pressing is dance service committee for each of our club dances. You don't need to commit to every dance, just choose one or two where you are willing to help out. If you sign up, your responsibilities include helping get the tables set up, putting the food out, cleaning up the food, and wiping the tables down at the end. You will miss a couple of tips, but there is still plenty of time to dance. Please consider signing up. If we don't get volunteers, we may eventually have to stop doing potluck at dances, which I doubt any of us want.

It has been great to see that Hotfooters have been getting out and about. We stole a few banners, joined Wandering Wheels for their final dances, and celebrated the Square Dance Federation of Minnesota's 75th anniversary. We had 10 squares of dancers, not just Hotfooters, join us for our September dance with Tom Allen. We even had a friend of ours from Milwaukee show up that happened to be in town, even though he couldn't stay long.



Keep mingling with our students at lessons and making them feel like part of our Hotfoot family.

See you in a square soon!

Julie Bittner & Anna Soland

**Hotfoot Stompers Presidents** 

## September Back to School Dance

Tom Allen called to and Ken LaBau cued to 10 squares from 12 clubs. Tom & Ken made re-learnig square dancing fun.



Cousins and Presidents Anna & Julie do a round dance at our our Back to School dance September 10th



Dan Sahlstrom happy to teach lessons



Dan acknowledges Wayne Tauer as Hotfoot's originator in 1979



Listen up students! Are you having fun now

## **Hotfoot Lessons Began in September**







## From Our Hotfoot Queen Audrey



Queen Audrey at Gospel PLUS with Kerry & Chris

Oh my, what a busy month! I kicked off the month going to Cambridge Corners with Dan Sahlstrom calling. The following week Hotfoot Stompers started the dance season with Tom Allen. It was so wonderful seeing so many people attend our dance, it was a great success! The following week I traveled to Westonka dancing to the Sprosty Twins. Our club lessons started with Dan Sahlstrom teaching 28 students, hopefully most will stay. Made it to Gospel Plus in Hopkins with Tom Allen. Wandering Wheels had their final dance and the club will be no more, which is sad. The Federation celebrated their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with Tom Manning which was a lot of fun. Hopefully, some day they will celebrate their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!

In case you didn't read or see my "Angel Attribute" list here it is again! FYI, I am the Marketing person too! I am doing some Marketing for the Federation, but haven't jumped into the deep end yet, but more information will be coming soon!



Welcome students

**B**e... Courteous Enthusiastic Friendly Gentle Encouraging

**T**alk with them during breaks.

**Y**ou can always talk with your square dance friends later!

**G**uys, it's important for you to befriend other guys!!!

Ladies are counting on you to keep the guys coming back!! Don't disappoint us!

**D**on't forget to invite students back.

We hope to see them again next week! Remember, we need to be attentive to <u>ALL</u> our new students at every lesson, just not the first one. We need to ask ourselves, do we want square dancing to grow? Do we want our club to grow? Do you want our club to be a place someone wants to be at? One of the biggest complaints heard from new dancers is that they are not sure the old club members want them!



Audrey Cecko Hotfoot Stompers Queen

Queen Audrey and Jocelyn at Wandering Wheels 9-24-22

#### Thank you .....

Jennifer Downs sent a thank you card to Hotfoot in return for the condolences card that Audrey sent to her re passing of her husband Barry.

## **Social Activities at Hotfoot**







Tammy, Jim, Sandy, Fran & Kieth













## Get Well .....

**Barb Stixrud** was just diagnosed with uterine cancer and just started her 1st chemo treatment of 6. I asked if I could put it in the Chatter to let the club members know and she was fine with that. She said, she's misses square dancing and wants us to



remember her for next year. Les and I will send her a get well card.

Audrey

## **Up Coming Hotfoot Social Events**

GHOSTS OF ANOKA WALKING TOUR Friday, October 14 - Be there at 5:30 p.m. \$13 given to Fran or Jerry (Make checks out to Hotfoot Stompers or bring cash)

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN Tuesday, October 25 from 7 – 8:45 p.m. 401 93rd Ave NW, Coon Rapids



Gospel PLUS 9-23-22



**Banner Raids** 



Cambridge Corners 9-2-22







Federation 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary dance 9-24-22

Wandering Wheels Camping finished 9-24-22



#### Hotfoot Volunteers 2022-23

President: Julie Bittner & Anna Soland Vice President: Treasurer: Jocelyn Borgan Vice Treasurer: Guy Trudeau Secretary: Terri Axelson Past President: Audrey Cecko & Les Marier Sunshine Contact: Audrey Cecko & Les Marier Queen: Audrey Cecko Banner Chief: Bill Bump Chatter Editor: Gary Kemmetmueller Historian: **Photographer:** Beth Trudeau The ROUNDUP Reporter: Spotlight Editor: Website Webmaster: Rachel Katkar, Cathy Gates Caller Booker: Les Marier -----Committees ------Decorating Committee: Peggy Decker, Jim & Sandy Quasbort, Bob Johnson (storage) Door Prizes: Margaret Theisen, Fran Sorensen Greeters: Queen Audrey Cecko, , Lesson Set Up Committee: Jim & Sandy Quasbort Lesson Cleanup Committee: Renee Hogan Marketing Committee: Audrey Cecko, \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ Mystery Bus Committee: Jerry & Nancy Knoth, Margaret Theisen, Fran Sorensen, Jerry Steinworth North Shore Weekend: Lee & Peggy Kohl Pop Committee: , Sign Placer: Bob Sadler Social Committee: Lee & Peggy Kohl, Colette Kilber, Cary Hebert, Dave & Mary Dahlheimer, Fran Sorensen & Jerry Steinworth State Conv Dinner Planner: Summer Campout Planners: Telephone Committee: Cathy Gates (leader + Hotfoot News + roster + communicator) ----- Coordinators ------**Community Ed Contact**: Cathy Gates Dance Service Coordinator: Student Coordinator: Danielle Rust

#### We are on the WEB www.HotfootStompers.org

## **Hotfoot Stompers**

Minnesota Square Dance Club Coon Rapids, MN Julie Bittner 763-276-8425 & Anna Soland 763-248-3002

2022-23 Dance Schedule

HOTFOOT

STOMPERS Saturday, 7:30-8:00pm & 10pm Plus; 8:00-10:00pm, MS or ND and RDs & Lines by Ken LaBau between tips, potluck at 8:30pm. All dances are at Northdale Middle School, 11301 Dogwood St NW, Coon Rapids \*Service Committee \*\*Treasurer Assistant

Oct 8, 2022- Phil Miller – MS - Octoberfest – Potluck \* Jerry & Betty Lou Elfert, , , , , \*\* Renee Hogan, \_\_\_ Nov 12 – Charley Huhtala - MS - Patriotic - Potluck \* Jerry & Betty Lou Elfert, James & Marrion Love,\_\_,\_\_\*\* Renee Hogan, \_\_\_ Dec 10 – Mike Hogan – MS- Holiday Dance - Potluck \* Jerry & Betty Lou Elfert, \_\_, \_\_, \_\_, \_\_, \*\* Renee Hogan, \_\_\_ Jan 14 – Brian Freed - ND - Winter Wonderland - Potluck \* \_\_\_, \_\_\_,\_\_,\_\_,\_\_,\_\_\_ \*\*Rose Valentine, \_\_\_\_ Feb 11 – Abe Maier – **ND** - Mardi Gras - Potluck \* Rose Valentine, \_\_,\_\_,\_\_,\_\_,\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_, \_\_ March 11 – Brian Bush – MS - St. Patrick - Potluck \*\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_/ \_\_\_\_ April 8 – Dan Sahlstrom– MS - Royalty – pie & ice cream \* \_\_\_\_ \_\_\*\*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_ May 13 – DeeDee Dougherty- MS-Sports Night -Potluck \* \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_, \_\_\_, \_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_, \_\_\_

#### **Upcoming Event Reminders for October**

Oct 3, 17, 24 & 31 - Monday PLUS lessons 6-7:00PM-SD lessons at Northdale Middle School – 7-9:00PM-Dan Sahlstrom teaching, Wayne on the 17th

Oct 4 & 18 - Tuesday Hotfoot Daytimers MS SD 9:30 - 11:30 AM - Wayne Tauer calling at Coon Rapids Civic Center 11155 Robinson Dr NW, Coon Rapids, MN

Oct 10 Monday SD lessons at Faith Lutheran Church 11115 Hanson Blvd NW 55433 6-7 PM PLUS 7-9:00 PM beginner- WayneTauer teaching

Oct 26 - 4th Wednesday Hotfoot Breakfasts: Women's and Men's, both 8:30 AM at Bakers Square at Riverdale in Coon Rapids across from CUB