



# Sandon Scottish Country Dance Club Chelmsford

## NEWSLETTER

June 2010

### Classes

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June will be our last night of dancing before the summer break, and we will be dancing until 10:00pm.

We will be dancing at the School, as usual, on the following Monday evenings next term:

September: 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>  
October: 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>  
November: 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>  
December: 6<sup>th</sup>

The beginners' sessions which David and Esther have been teaching parallel to the main class this year will continue in the Autumn term.

The committee would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very enjoyable summer break, and we look forward to seeing you all in September!

### Forthcoming Events

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July: Brightlingsea  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> July: Epping Forest  
Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> August, 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>  
September: Open-air Dancing, Kensington Gardens (London), 2-4pm  
11<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> September: Dance Scottish Week  
Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September: Esther & David's Charity Dance (Marks Tey)  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October: London Day School & evening ceilidh  
Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October: Sandon Autumn Dance  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November: Witham  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November: South East Herts Ball

Please speak to Esther if you would like more information about any of these events. Dance programmes and cribs, where available, will be posted on the events page of the Sandon website at <http://www.sandonscotdance.org.uk>.

### Dance Scottish Week 2010

Dance Scottish Week is an international initiative set up by the RSCDS in Edinburgh, with the aim of welcoming new people to Scottish Country Dancing. It will be taking place between 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> September this year, and our dance class on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> September will therefore be particularly suitable for beginners. So why not bring along any friends/family members who might be interested in dancing?

### RSCDS London Branch Day School

The RSCDS London Branch is holding its annual day school and evening ceilidh on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2010. Classes range from beginners' through to advanced level, and this year's teachers are Janet Johnston, Angela Young, Maureen Campbell and Gaynor Curtis. Further information and an application form are available on the London Branch website at [http://www.rscdslondon.org.uk/html/day\\_school.html](http://www.rscdslondon.org.uk/html/day_school.html).

### The Two-Sex Scottish Dancer

*[Taken from "Pat's Party Pieces" - a series of small booklets by Pat Batt]*

I'm a two sex Scottish Dancer and I may seem rather dim,  
But I never spend one evening as a full time her or him.  
I change my sex from dance to dance, my corners always alter,  
It's really not surprising I occasionally falter.  
The old and simple dances I can manage very nicely,  
And I can learn a new dance and do it most precisely.  
But when it comes to next week I don't know if I can,  
For I learnt it as a woman and dance it as a man.  
And so you men who have the luck to always stay the same,  
When female gentlemen go wrong be sparing with your blame.  
I'll add a postscript to this tale - one comfort I have got,  
When both the women change their sex it doesn't show a lot!

