HOTFOOT STOMPERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

The Chatter

Coon Rapids, MN May 2025 0150

Hotfoot Stompers Presidents

Happy Easter!

Oh my gosh! There were almost 18 squares at our Royalty dance! It was the largest dance we've had in quite some time. It was great to see so many people join us in celebrating our new Queen, Mary Jensen! We were very saddened that the Siegman Trio was unable to call for us, but Bryan Bush did a stellar job filling in. Bryan was very impressed with the turnout and the fact that he didn't bring snow with him like the last several times he has called for us.

It's been great seeing so many of our new dancers out and about! Many came to the Royalty dance and have been coming to the graduate dances on Monday nights. Just a reminder, new dancers, if you have been filling out the active student sheets and tracking your dances and social activities, please make sure to turn those in soon. Those dangles will be presented at the upcoming banquet (or delivered shortly after if you are not attending), so please get them to us! All of you have been great at getting out to events and we want to reward you for your effort.

There was a Hotfoot general membership meeting this past week that finalized some changes that will take place starting this upcoming lesson season. A more detailed email will be coming out shortly (if not already). But in short, there will be two shorter lesson sets instead of a single longer one. This will allow for more entry points to attract new students and grow the club, especially since there will also be two fast tracks. Secondly, there will now be multiple payment options for students. Students will have the option of prepaying in chunks of 9 weeks for a discounted price or paying full price at the door. If you want to know the specifics, check out the email.

We're so excited for this final month of the primary dance season. We hope to see you in squares throughout the summer as well!

Anna Soland& Julie Bittner

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Hotfoot April 12th Dance

Our April 12th themed “Royalty” dance with pie and ice cream was called by Bryan Bush to 18 squares of dancers from 14 clubs, at Northdale Middle School with Ken LaBau cueing. What a fun time for all. A big thank you to our caller and cuer for the fun time. It was “elect a new queen” night, too.

it was pie and ice cream night at the Hotfoot dance

Bryon Bush called some fun calls to some fun squares – that would be all squares

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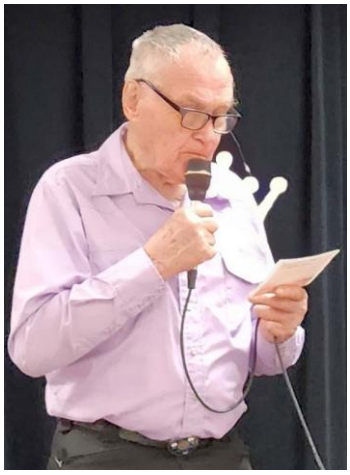

Ken LaBau cues rounds

Renee and Vince dance

Bryan Bush calls

…. And who is behind the announcements

The coronation of our new Queen Mary by Queen Sandy

Newly crowned Queen Mary with past Hotfoot queens present

Westonka Whirlers earns a Hotfoot banner

Cambridge Corners retrieves their Super Banner

County Line Squares retrieves their banner

Hotfoot Dee Dee and Jocelyn's sister Lynette celebrate their birthdays with a cake – okay then, no pie for you

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New Hotfoot Queen Mary

My name is Mary Jensen, 2025 Queen of Hotfoot Stompers Square dance club. It is my pleasure to serve as goodwill ambassador for our club.

I am number 10 out of 11 children born to Julie & Monica Loch of Maple Lake, MN. Mom passed away in 2021 at 100 years of age. I miss playing 500 card games with her. We are a very active, close family. After Covid-19 and isolation, my sister Julie started square dancing in Monticello. It is contagious. I have siblings, great nieces, nephews, cousins all joining square dancing. I recently discovered another new cousin here at stompers, Dee Dee. We enjoy square dancing almost every Monday night throughout the year. Our monthly dances are especially fun due to all the clubs who join us.

My husband Mark and I have been married for 40 years. We are proud parents of 3 adult children, James, Charlee Marie, and Nathan. As an educator I enjoy learning new things and sharing with others. My other new hobby is scuba diving. Let me know if you want to give it a try.

Thank you to all the square dancers who make it so much fun to dance! Thank you volunteers for all your hard work! We have 37 leading volunteer positions that make this community a pleasure to be part of.

My favorite part is all the laughing, hooping, and hollering during our dances. We are a forgiving accepting group of dancers and angels.

Finally, thank you presidents, committee leaders, and caller Dan for your positive service and joy you bring to this club.

Mary Jensen

Hotfoot Stompers Queen 2025-26

Hotfoot Banner Activity

Hotfoot earns a banner at Cambridge Corner 4-4-25

Nolan, newer Hotfoot member, at Cambridge Corners banner raid

Hotfoot earns a banner at B & B Squares 4-5-25

Hotfoot at Gospel Plus' last dance until Aug 4-25-25

Hotfoot among the 5 ½ squares at Jolly Promenaders 4-26-25

Thoughts and Prayers to those not doing so well ……

Bob Sadler
Bethany Higgs
Bob Johnson
Marian Love
Jeannette Boxeth

Hotfoot Social – St Paul Saints game

Our social outing for April was to the St. Paul Saints game on Sunday, April 27th. We had a great time cheering them on to a victory. *Colette Kilber*

Hotfoot Volunteers 2024-25

President: Anna Soland & Julie Bittner
Vice President: Robert Morgan
Treasurer: Mary Jensen
Vice Treasurer: _____
Secretary: John Bittner
Past President: Keith & Tammy Lakeman
Sunshine Contact: Keith & Tammy Lakeman
Queen: Sandy Morgan
Banner Chief: John Bittner & Julie Bittner
Chatter Editor: Gary Kemmetmueller
Historian: ___
Photographer: Sandy & Robert Morgan
The ROUNDUP Reporter: Julie Bittner
The ROUNDUP ads & dance listings: Audrey Cecko
Spotlight Editor: _____
Website Webmaster: Rachel Katkar & Cathy Gates
Caller Booker: Les Marier

---------- Committees ----------

Decorating Committee: Peggy Decker, Margaret Theisen (Bob Johnson storage)
Door Prizes: Terri Axelson, Fran Sorensen
Greeters: Queen Sandy Morgan, Audrey Cecko
Lesson Set Up Committee: Sandy & Jim Quasbort
Lesson Cleanup Committee: Mark & Sheila Brouhard, Rosemary Valentine
Marketing Committee: Audrey Cecko, Tammy Lakeman
North Shore Weekend: Peggy and Lee Kohl
Sign Placer: Mel Wallner
Social Committee: Peggy & Lee Kohl, Colette Kilber, Cary Hebert, Fran Sorensen, Jerry Steinworth
Social Media: Tammy Lakeman
Telephone Committee: Marilyn Vialle, Cathy Gates (leader + Hotfoot News + roster + communicator)

---------- Coordinators ----------

Community Ed Contact: Cathy Gates
Dance Service Coordinator: _____
Student Coordinator: Danielle Rust
Demo Coordinator: John Bittner

We are on the WEB
www.HotfootStompers.org

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2025 Dance Schedule

Saturday, 7:30-8:00pm Plus
8:00-10:00pm, MS - potluck.
*** Exception – Monday Grad dances-6:30-9:00 PM

Northdale Middle School, 11301 Dogwood St NW
Coon Rapids - **Rounds** between tips by **Ken LaBau**
*Service Committee **Treasurer Assistant

***May 5** - **Dan Sahlstrom** - MS graduate – snacks – 6:30-9:00 PM - Christ Lutheran Church – 641 89th Ave NE- Blaine, MN

May 10 - **Dee-Dee Dougherty-Lottie** - MS - Sports Night – Potluck - *Don & Monica Keyes, Jim & Sandy Quasbort, Doug & Jeannette Boxeth **__, __

Upcoming Event Reminders for May

May 6 & 20 – Tuesday- **Hotfoot Daytimers** - MS SD 9:30 AM – 11:30 - Coon Rapids Civic Center, 11155 Robinson Dr NW,Coon Rapids, MN
Wayne Tauer calling

May 12 – Monday – **Hotfoot Banquet** – 6-9:30 PM
Brookhall Event Center Banquet Hall
11930 Central Ave
Blaine, MN - Prepaid Hotfooters

May 26 – Monday

May 28 - Wednesday- **Hotfoot Breakfasts**: Women's and Men's, both 8:30 AM at ***Perkins*** located in the NW corner mall at Main St & MN Hiway 65, 12545 Ulysses St NE, Blaine, MN