



Coon Rapids, MN

# The Chatter

June 2022

Live Lively -



Square Dance!

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## From Our Presidents

### Queen Audrey – Presidents Audrey and Les at Hotfoot's Banquet at Andover Pizza Ranch

Greetings Stompers!

Hope everyone is enjoying the nice Memorial Day weekend! Thanks to all who served and prayers to all who gave their life for this great nation and their families and friends!



Well, it looks like spring has finally "sprung", but we have still had to deal with some cool days and nights. It won't be long until we are wishing for them when the humidity and hot weather settles in! Seems like we always have issues with the weather in some form or another!

It was a fairly busy month. John Bittner called a Demo at Select Senior Living on May 12<sup>th</sup>. There was a club bonfire at Les Marier's home on the May 13<sup>th</sup> and we had our last scheduled dance of the year on the 14<sup>th</sup>. Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie called to our "Colorful Flowers" theme and we had about 100 people in attendance, a great way to end the dance year! Dan Sahlstrom even got up and called with Dee Dee for several tips. It was a night to remember!

John Bittner continues to have his "brush-up" lessons in his garage, but will be taking a few sessions off due to Memorial Day weekend (also the Wandering Wheels 3 day dances). John and Julie's birthdays (6<sup>th</sup>). Then we have the MN state Square Dance Convention the weekend of June 11<sup>th</sup>. The National Convention is in Indiana the following weekend, so John thinks the next practice will be the June 27<sup>th</sup>, and possibly one on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June. Look for an email from John if he can swing it.

On the 23<sup>rd</sup>, we had our annual HS banquet at the Pizza Ranch in Andover again. About 50 people attended in a reserved room. We ended up needing

a larger room so they opened up the partition for us finally. For all that weren't there, we formerly announced the new presidents of Hotfoot Stompers for the 2022-23 year, Anna Soland (Trudeau) and Julie Bittner! "Congratulations" to them. They will do a fantastic job!

We are trying to plan a couple dances for the Summer. Check our website for details! We also have our annual club meeting (via Zoom) coming up on June

16<sup>th</sup>. Please see the HS June News for the link to join it. The Blaine Festival is on the June 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> at 4PM and 4:30 PM respectively. We need angels to help both days. Please sign up if you can! We ask those who volunteers to help at the Blaine Festival to dress in square dance attire. We should try to market square dancing and stand out as a square dance club and not look like just a bunch of people square dancing. Ladies if you could wear your finest square dance outfit and guys if you could wear a shirt with Hotfoot on it that would be awesome. It's important for our club and for square dancing to keep thriving to promote it as much as we can. John Bittner will be calling Sunday and Wayne Tauer will be calling Saturday if John cannot make it due to it being Sarah's birthday.

We will also be planning the August picnic so look forward to that! Fran Sorensen is reviving the "Square Wheel Bike Club and there will be two upcoming rides, June 6<sup>th</sup> and June 20<sup>th</sup>, see the June News for details!

Don't forget to try to make it to the State Convention. You won't be sorry. It will be a great weekend of fun, dancing and furthering our friendships!

*Audrey Cecko & Les Marier*

Hotfoot Stompers Presidents

# May 14<sup>th</sup> Hotfoot Dance

Dee Dee Dougherty called to and Ken LaBau cued to 12 ½ squares from 10 clubs to our Colorful Flowers theme dance.



Dee Dee called a fun dance that Dan joined in with



Treasurer Jocelyn happily takes your admission fee



Ken enjoys his time waiting to cue rounds and lines



Deidre guards the goodies



Dee Dee gets the PLUS squares rockin' while Lois & Ken swap stories



Gee – I wish I were dancing instead of taking photos



**Dee Dee has everyone moving**



**Dee and Renee happy to see each other**



**Okay, here's a better shot of them – any question about having fun at a Dee Dee dance?**



Ken cues rounds



Well lookie here – past Hotfooter Judy Hale came to check out old acquaintances and listen to Dee Dee calling



The Service Committee wants to mop up - together



President Audrey did a fine job on announcements



Ken cues line dance



Dee wants to show you her new shoes :o)

## From Our Hotfoot Queen Audrey



**Queen Audrey a few years ago**

As your Queen I had a busy month in May.

During the month I attended "Bring on the Sports" dance at ArDales dance with Tom Allen calling.

As a Mother's Day gift to myself I went to an all day women's shooting event in Harris, MN that I enjoyed! When I finally got to the shot gun range I met a fellow square dancer (Bob Aas) who taught me how to Trap shoot. It was a very fun day despite getting my car keys locked in my car!



It was a lot of fun at our well attended Hotfoot dance with Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie calling. It was so wonderful to see so many people come out to square dance.

I helped volunteer at Feed My Starving Children in Eagan with 40 other people packing meals in memory of ArDale members', Carol and Louis's daughter, Anna Faith.

I had a good time at Jolly Ranchers or should I say Jolly Promenaders' final dance of the season until Fall, with Brian Freed calling.

*Audrey Cecko*

Hotfoot Stompers Queen

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## Shylin's graduation Party

Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 PM

14661 78<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Otsego, MN

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## Condolences to .....

**Bo Diamon** on the sudden loss of her sister, Mary.

**Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie** on the loss of her brother, Randy.

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## Get Well Thoughts & Prayers .....

To **Bob Sadler** with continuing back issues.

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## Lessons begin Monday September 19

Invite your friends and past graduates – 7- 9:00 PM  
Northdale Middle School - Dan Sahlstrom  
teaching/Calling - First two Lessons Free

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**Fran gets taken for a ride by the custodian showing that being on the service committee can be fun too 5-14-22**

Photo by Audrey Cecko



**Kerry Almen Retires**



Kerry retires from his U of M HVAC position 5-21-22

**Hotfoot Stomper John Bittner Calling**



John calling a demo at Select Senior Living 5-12-22

**Hotfooter Eric and Anna Happily Married**



Eric & Anna Soland were married on May 15th



Square Dancing at Select Senior Living Demo 5-12-22

photos above by Fran Sorensen



Hotfooters volunteer to be a square for John to practice calling to in his garage 5-2-22

## President Les Marier Hosted a Bonfire



Karen and Les at Hotfoot bonfire gathering 5-13-22



All fired up with hot dogs and s'mores 5-13-22



Well hotdog! Janet is having fun, too



Looks like past ROUNDUP Editor Nancy is unsuspecting of being photographed

## Banner Activity



We "earned Another" banner from ArDales 4-29-22



Jolly Promenaders lost a banner 2 Hotfoot 5-21-22



Hotfoot Stompers helped County Line to celebrate their 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary 4-30-22



LeRoy Elfmann awards Carol and Abe Meier for starting County Line Squares 45 years ago and has stayed with them calling ever since – Congrats Abe & Carol

## Hotfoot Stompers' Banquet

The planned Hotfoot year ending banquet was at the Andover Pizza Ranch was on Monday, May 23, 2022



Sandy & Jim receive recognition for all the reliable service that they provide for our club



Past Stompers, Dennis & Darlene pop in for a quick visit



Jerry wants his own picture





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Dig Sandy's socks



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Four presidents - soon

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05/23/2022



Dan, Newlyweds and Dee Dee 5-14-22

Submitted by the mother of the bride

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## Hotfoot Volunteers 2022

Thru to June 16th Business Meeting

**President:** Les Marier & Audrey Cecko

**Vice President:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Treasurer:** Jocelyn Borgan

**Vice Treasurer:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Secretary:** Terri Axelson

**Past President:** Jerry Steinworth

**Sunshine Contact:** Jerry Steinworth & Fran Sorensen

**Queen:** Audrey Cecko

**Banner Chief:** John Bittner

**Chatter Editor:** Gary Kemmetmueller

**Historian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Photographer:** Gary Kemmetmueller

**The ROUNDUP Reporter:** Gloria Regan

**Spotlight Editor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Website Webmaster:** Rachel Katkar, Cathy Gates

**Caller Booker:** Jerry & Nancy Knoth

-----Committees-----

**Decorating Committee:** Peggy Decker, Jim & Sandy Quasbort, Marian Love, Bob Johnson (storage)

**Door Prizes:** Sandy Quasbort

**Greeters:** Queen Audrey Cecko, Coni Winterfeld

**Lesson Set Up Committee:** Jim & Sandy Quasbort

**Lesson Cleanup Committee:** Rosemary Valentine, Beth Horak

**Marketing Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mystery Bus Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**North Shore Weekend:** Lee & Peggy Kohl

**Pop Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Queen's Luncheon:** canceled

**Sign Placer:** Bob Sadler

**Social Committee:** Lee & Peggy Kohl, Colette Kilber, Cary Hebert, Dave & Mary Dahlheimer

**State Conv Dinner Planner:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Summer Campout Planners:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Committee:** Cathy Gates (leader + Hotfoot News + roster + communicator), Marilyn Vialle

----- Coordinators -----

**Community Ed Contact:** Cathy Gates

**Dance Service Coordinator:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Coordinator:** Julie Bittner, Danielle Rust, Anna Trudeau

We are on the WEB

[www.HotfootStompers.org](http://www.HotfootStompers.org)

## Hotfoot Stompers

Minnesota Square Dance Club

Coon Rapids, MN

[President@hotfootstompers.org](mailto:President@hotfootstompers.org)

### 2022-23 Dance Schedule

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 \*\*Ticket vendors

**Sept 10, 2022-** Tom Allen - Potluck -

\*Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

**Oct 8, 2022-** Phil Miller - Potluck -

\* Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

Nov 12 – Charley Huhtala - Potluck -

\*Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

Dec 10 – Mike Hogan - Potluck -

\*Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

Jan 14 – Brian Freed – ND - Potluck –

\* Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

Feb 11 – Abe Maier – ND - Potluck –

\* Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

March 11 – Brian Bush – MS - Potluck –

\* Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

April 8 – Dan Sahlstrom – MS - Potluck –

\* Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

May 13 – Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie – MS -Potluck

\* Bill Bump, \_\_\_\_\_ \*\*\_\_\_\_\_

### Upcoming Event Reminders for June

**June 4 – Saturday, 4:00 PM, Shylin Eichele's graduation party - 14661 78<sup>th</sup> Street NE, Otsego**

**June 6 & 20 – Monday, 6:00 PM – Fran's Bicycle ride**  
6<sup>th</sup> – Blaine High School parking lot  
20<sup>th</sup> – Coon Rapids' Dam Visitor Center

**June 10-12 MN State Sq & RD Convention – Breezy Point, MN**

**June 16 –Thursday Hotfoot Business meeting (via Zoom) See Hotfoot News for meeting# & password**

**June 21 - Tuesday Hotfoot Daytimers SD - MS 9:30 – 11:30 AM - Wayne Tauer calling**  
Coon Rapids Civic Center, 11155 Robinson Dr NW

**June 22 - 4th Wednesday Hotfoot Breakfasts:**  
Women's and Men's, both 8:30 AM at Bakers Square at Riverdale in Coon Rapids across from CUB & Walmart

**June 25 & 26 Blaine Festival Demo – info: John Bittner for time and place later**