HOTFOOT STOMPERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

The Chatter

Live Lively – Square Dance!

Coon Rapids, MN April 2026 159

Hotfoot Stompers President

Spring greetings, fellow square dancers. Winter is officially behind us, and warmer temperatures are on the horizon! However, old man Winter doesn't quite want to give up yet.

That was evident the weekend of our March 14 dance. It was Luck of the Irish theme. Meteorologists were forecasting a foot of snow in some places, so Bryan Bush decided to not come up from Iowa. A great number of other dances were cancelled that weekend. However, since word from the weather people was that a majority of the accumulation would take place in the overnight hours, we decided to proceed with our dance. Thankfully, Dan Sahlstrom stepped in to call for us. About 8 squares of dancers braved our crazy Minnesota weather and squared up for a fun evening. Cambridge Corners had 13 dancers in attendance. The round dancers enjoyed the cueing of Doug Brodeen. Our selfie station was a popular place as well. The snowfall started during the dance, but everybody made it home safely.

I was saddened to discover that Jim Koesling the caller who taught me to square dance when I was 10 years old and his wife Jan both passed away recently. They had been married 68 years when Jim passed away.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our Royalty Dance on Saturday, April 11. Join us and partake in some pie and ice cream. Please have pies sliced and ready to serve. Brian Freed will be at the calling microphone, and cueing the rounds will be Doug Brodeen. See you there in a square.

P.S. Please remember since there's no kitchen at our dances due to lack of volunteers, have your food items ready to serve (serving spoons, tongs, pies sliced, etc.) and place them directly on the table.

Jim

Jan

Robert & Sandy Morgan

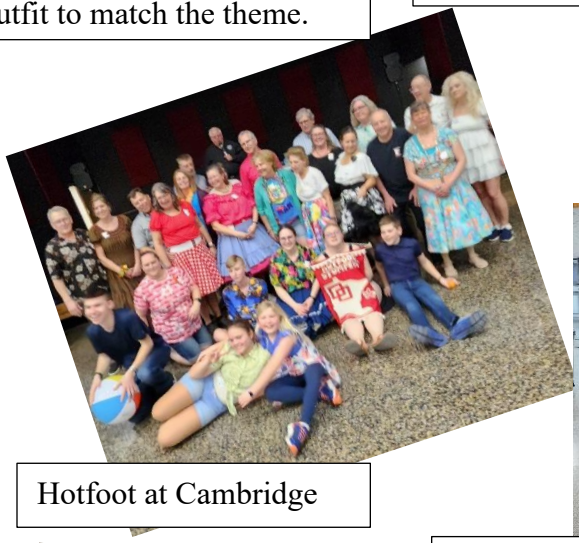
Hotfoot Stompers' Presidents

Hotfoot Stompers February Square Dance

Our March dance was on March 14th. There was a lot of fun with our fill-in caller Dan Salhstrom calling and Doug Brodeen as our cuer because of the snow storm that we were getting that night.

Sandy won the green duck from Cambridge for best outfit to match the theme.

Cambridge made it out on the snowy night!



Hotfoot at Cambridge

Hotfoot at BnB

Hotfoot at County Line

We had a pot of gold at our dance but couldn't find any leprechauns!

Some kids were found at the end of the rainbow!

Hotfoot at Jolly Pomanders

Hotfoot was at Shenanigans

Important Info

- Daytimers is **April 7th, & 21st** from 9:30am – 11:30am at the coon rapids senior center Wayne Tauer is calling, and it is $4.
- **April 8th** is the hotfoot breakfast at Blaine Perkins starting at 9am.
- Saturday, **April 11th** is our April dance themed "Royalty" Plus starts at 7:30pm – 8 p.m. and Star Tip Plus 10 – 10:15 p.m., MS 8 – 10 p.m. it is at Northdale Middle School being called by Brian Freed and cuer Doug Brodeen.
- Sign up to be queen of Hotfoot by emailing Sandy and Robert. You may sign up again if you have had a year between terms. We will be **voting** for queen during our **April dance**.
- **Sunday May 3rd** is a new dancer dance from 3-5:30pm at faith Lutheran.
- On **Monday June 1st, 2026,** at 6pm hotfoot is having their annual banquet that is going till 9:30pm that day. So, make sure to save the date in your calendar you will have more information when the day gets closer. A short Business meeting during the Banquet. Please come prepared to vote for new officers in the club. Please consider volunteering for office positions to keep our beloved club running.

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Student Coordinator: Danielle Rust, Anna Soland & Julie Bittner
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We are on the WEB **www.HotfootStompers.org**

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Minnesota Square Dance Club

Coon Rapids, MN

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2025-26 Dance Schedule

Saturday, 7:30-8:00 pm Plus, star tip at 10:00 PM, 8:00-10:00 PM MS**,** potluck
Northdale Middle School, 11301 Dogwood St NW Coon Rapids - Rounds between tips
*****Service Committee **Treasurer Assistant

Apr 11 - Brian Freed MS- Doug Brodeen rounds- Pie and Ice Cream – Theme: Royalty Night- *__,__
** Rosemary Valentine
May 3 – Dan Sahlstrom ND – Potluck- *_,_
May 9 - Caller: TBD - Cuer: Sarah Klaphake – Potluck- Ice Cream Social - *__,__,__,__,__
**Terry Cathers, __
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