



GRAPEVINE



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Grapevine is the newsletter of the Perth International Folk Dance Group. The group meets Monday evenings at the Wembley Scout Hall in Jersey Street, Jolimont. The evening begins at 7:30pm with an hours dance lesson, followed by general dancing till late. For further information, contact John (444-4736) or Jenny (295-3193).

AGM

Yes folks, it's that time of the year again.

The AGM is being held on Monday 23rd November after the regular lesson. Come along and find out how much the group is worth and roll the committee. Nominate yourself for committee, make your vote count. Eve has promised to keep the meeting brief. Bring some wine to toast the winners and the losers in what is sure to be a bigger thrill than Clinton vs. Bush.

A big thank-you to this year's committee for their work throughout the year.

Welcome Strangers

Our two gold nuggets, Fiona and John, are back in Perth after several months touring Greece, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey and even Azerbaijan. They've seen lots of dances, collected great souvenirs including bits of folk costumes, pictures of costumes, materials for costumes and addresses of people who make costumes. They also have about 20 hours of videotapes of dance and song.

After they recover they may teach some of their new material. John is also keen to hold a Lesbian dance workshop (dances from the Greek Isle of Lesbos, of course :-)

It's a pity to lose the source of innumerable postcards, but the new dances should more than make up for it.

Welcome back, Fiona and John.

T Shirts

Have you got your PIFDG T-shirt?

The official PIFDG T-shirts have been available since just before the Folk Festival, and they have attracted lots of positive comment. If you haven't got yours yet, see Sue Wildman before stocks run out.

Before Peta Madgewick left Perth (3 years ago?), she and Fiona got together and roughed out some designs. Sue picked up the rough designs in May this year, and worked them through to the finished product - an attractive and very popular shirt.

Congratulations to everyone involved - well done.

Boots

John wants to try to get some men's dance boots from Romania. Interested? Contact John on 444-4736.

Performance Group

It has been a hectic year for the performance group. We have had many new performers joining the group, and John and Fiona absent while collecting new material on their travels.

November the 1st saw probably the last performance for this year, at the Perth Modern School fete.

Thanks to all the performers who kept the Group in the public eye during the year.

Teaching

Our thanks to Sarah for teaching during October. Eve will be teaching through November and John and Fiona will teach through December. The last lesson for 1992 will be the Christmas party. Dancing will resume in 1993 on the 11th of January.

Christmas Party

Did someone say Party? The PIFDG Christmas Party will be on the 21st of December at 7pm (not the usual 7:30pm). Eve, Sarah, Fiona and John will all be teaching easy dances throughout the evening.

Bring a friend. Bring a plate. Bring some drink. Catch up with old friends and your conviviality quota.

Point Peron

Things to do when you get your 1993 diary - mark in the weekend of 2-4th of April as the Point Peron Workshop.

The content has not been worked out yet, but it is sure to be another great weekend away. This will probably be our only weekend workshop in 1993, so make it your New Year's Resolution to be there.

Late News

George Tomov is a world renowned Macedonian dance teacher. He will be visiting Perth in December and we expect to get him along one Monday, either the 7th or the 14th. Check with John for details later this month.

Editorial

This is only the second Grapevine for 1992. I'd hoped to have them coming out more regularly but it's been a busy year. My thanks to John for the material and text for this newsletter. We'll try to keep you better informed of PIFDG activities next year with more regular newsletters. Contributions gratefully accepted ... Glenn.