



SWOSDA



Square & Round Dancers Of South Western Ontario

September 27, 2025

Afternoon Dance

Round Dance Special

Hosted by: ShadowLight Rounds

Location – Maranatha Christian Reformed Church
735 Frontenac Cres., Woodstock, ON – N4V 0B1

October 25, 2025

Afternoon Dance

Hosted By: Denim & Lace

Location – Flesherton Kinxplex
102 Highland Dr, Flesherton

November 22, 2025

Afternoon Dance

Hosted By: Country Squares

Location – Brodhagen CC
6708 Perth County Line 44, Brodhagen

January 24, 2026

Afternoon Dance

Hosted by: Waterdown Village Squares

Location – St. James United Church
306 Parkside Drive, Waterdown, ON

February 28, 2026

Afternoon Dance

Hosted by: Silver Streaks

Location – Maranatha CRC
735 Frontenac Cres., Woodstock, ON – N4V 0B1

March 28, 2026

Afternoon Dance

Hosted by: Royal City Squares

Location – Paisley Road School
406 Paisley Rd, Guelph, ON N1H 2R3

April 25, 2026

Afternoon Dance

Hosted By: The Sound Steppers

Location – First United Church
435 21st Street West, Owen Sound. ON – N4K 4E5

May 23, 2026

Afternoon Dance

Round Dance Special

Hosted by: Rhythm Rounds
Location – TBD

SWOSDA is a member run organization!

WHO is SWOSDA?

- If you are a member of a Square Dance Club then YOU are a part of SWOSDA.
- In 1959, **South Western Ontario Square Dance Association** or SWOSDA was formed.
- Today, we are officially South Western Ontario Square and Round Dance Association Inc. In the '80's Square Dance and Round Dance clubs joined forces. We are a part of the **Ontario Square & Round Dance Federation**, which, in turn, forms part of the **Canadian Square and Round Dance Society**.
- Currently there are approximately **16 clubs** registered in SWOSDA. Each club pays a small annual fee to support the activities of the Association.
- Our Annual General Meeting is always at the April SWOSDA Dance.

SWOSDA Mandate

- To promote square and round dancing as a healthy, recreational activity. Thus we provide a comprehensive on-line website, six SWOSDA Dances, two SWOSDA Round Dance Parties and help with two Caller's Clinic Frosh Dances.
- To provide communication between Club about club events. ie. the online Bugle and the Calendar.
- To promote uniformity in square and round dancing, thus enabling encouraging dancers to visit other clubs to enjoy other callers/cuers and making new friends.
- To help finance Callers Clinics where callers and cuers meet to discuss issues, review new calls, and introduce and train new callers and cuers.
- To secure insurance for member clubs and dancers for a nominal fee.

SWOSDA Monthly Dances: Oct., Nov., Jan., Feb., Mar., and Apr.

- SWOSDA dances take place every 4th Saturday of the months.
- The dancing is Mainstream with announced Plus tips. Round dancing is mainly Phase II. There is also a Square Dance and Round Dance teach to help you hone your skills or learn new ones.
- Member Clubs take turns hosting the dances and every effort is made to distribute them geographically around South Western Ontario.

Dancing Format:

- Afternoon Dances 1:00pm – 5:00pm. Rounds 1:00pm – 1:30pm, Squares start at 1:30pm with rounds at the caller change.
- Cost is \$8.00 per person. Dancers attending a SWOSDA dance for the first time get in for ½ price by having their Club President sign a “special pass”.
- Callers and Cuers volunteer their time to support these SWOSDA dances .

SWOSDA Round Dance Parties: Sept. and May

- Round Dance Parties are from 2 – 4:30 PM. The cost is \$8/person.
- The Program is Phase 2 and 3 with a few 4s.
- Any SWOSDA Club can be the host for a Round Dance Party.

Caller's Clinic Frosh Dances: Mar., & Apr.,

- The Callers Clinic sponsors the two Frosh Dances per season.
- Afternoon dance 2:00pm – 4:30pm with a fun program for all who attend.
- These dances provide a comfortable atmosphere for new dancers to enjoy different callers, meet fellow dancers from other areas and have a great afternoon at the sport of Square Dancing.

SWOSDA Executive

- The executive positions of Secretary, Treasurer and Website Administrator/Editor are appointed & are paid a small fee.
- The rest of the executive are volunteers and are members of a square or round dance club or both.
- Executive names and positions are posted on our website and updated annually.

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