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May 13, 2018 - Mothers' Day/Springtime Celebration

Just plain fun! Many thanks to our Glengarry Tartan dancers for all the assistance in making our first special event a great success. Visitors from the Swinging B's, Circle & Squares, Montreal Acey Deuceys and Swinging Swallows joined in the celebration!



Bringing the Dance to the Party

June 30th - Canada Day Celebrations - Glen Robertson

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The Glengarry Tartans were invited to perform an Easy Modern square dance demo June 30th in Glen Robertson. What a wonderful event this was! **Francois Desmarais** our Caller led the dance and invited the crowd to join in and try out a few steps - he had them dancing within minutes! Ladies wore a mini sash - The Official Canadian Tartan - the Maple Leaf - in honour of Canada Day. 20 Glengarry Tartan dancers were present sharing their Joy of Dancing!



First you Golf - then you Fish and finally you Square Dance!

by Rita Chartrand – Vice-President – Glengarry Tartans – Alexandria



I always liked dancing. My husband and I had a business and Dick Flemming, a square dance Caller, visited our store weekly. He was working for the Lottery Corporation and when he stopped in he constantly talked about square dancing - trying to convince us to join.

My husband was getting an earful of hearing me wanting to dance so he agreed that when we retire we might join in but **firstly** he challenged me to learn to play golf and also try out fishing.

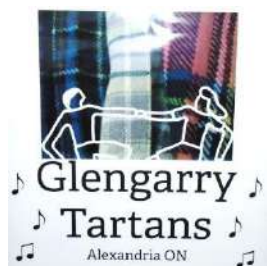


Well! No problem, when we retired I took him up on the challenge. I golfed (disliked it but kept an enthusiastic smile on my face) as for fishing I totally enjoyed it! Having passed the challenge we joined a square dance club – Finally!!

With the Four Star Squares my husband was learning quickly and ended up enjoying dancing. He was a very good dancer. Sometimes after a square dance night out he would tell me "This special move you are having difficulties with, lets practice so that next week it will be easier for you".

We completed the basic program but sadly he passed away since then. We thoroughly enjoyed square dancing for the short time we danced together. I wanted to quit the Four Star Squares however they elected me Secretary/Treasurer. The group really supported me through rough times. For this I am grateful.

I continued dancing for a very long time and recently joined a local club – The Glengarry Tartans, Alexandria.



Square dancing was and still is very well structured. There is always lots of respect, good manners and friendly atmospheres within all the clubs that I have danced with.

This is a great activity to keep in shape, meet great people and especially have loads of Fun.

Rita Chartrand

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Visit these websites for more dance information including links to dance schedules, open houses, workshops and special events flyers:

[Access info here - eoDance.ca](http://eodance.ca) Click on "**Associations**" choose EOSARDA - Eastern Ontario Square and Round Dance Association **OR** SVSRDA - Seaway Valley Square and Round Dance Association.

Border Boosters Square and Round Dance Association <http://www.borderboosters.qc.ca/>
PINTEREST - Canadian Square & Round Dance Society <https://www.pinterest.com/canadiansquarea/>

Here's another **Must Go To Event!** Swing into Spring http://www.eodance.ca/SIS_home_page.php