



# 65<sup>th</sup> Australian National Square Dance Convention

## July 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> 2025

### NEWS UPDATE # 4 JULY 2024

29<sup>th</sup> JULY 2024

GREETINGS ALL

**Wow!!!** What a hectic few weeks we've had. Our Early Bird offer is now closed, and we've far exceeded our expectations with over 445 registrations received. Our Registrar's heartrate has risen working feverishly to process and acknowledge them all. Yes all registration forms received, with an email address, have been acknowledged. If you have not received your personal acknowledgement please contact our Registrar at **registrar@2025.ansdc.au**. Her stress levels are elevated trying to locate the forms from some who have paid but forgotten to send the registration form and others who have made direct deposits, not listing their name or state, and not sending their registration form. Our Media Promotions Officer has also had elevated blood pressure ensuring as many dancers as possible were informed about the Early Bird cut-off. (Three words we won't want to see or hear for quite some time hehe) We'd also like to thank our many registered delegates who have been forwarding the reminders to your friends and other dancers.

Our registrations look something like this:-

Registered by area

ACT	10 Dancers 0 non-Dancers	New Zealand	13 Dancers
NSW	72 Dancers 6 non-Dancers	SERBIA	2 Dancers
NT	1 Dancer	TAIPEI TAIWAN	27 Dancers
QLD	99 Dancers 7 non-Dancers	USA	2 Dancers
SA	46 Dancers 1 non-Dancer	Canada	1 Dancer
TAS	16 Dancers 2 non-Dancers	Germany	1 Dancer
VIC	88 Dancers 6 non-Dancers		
WA	42 Dancers 1 non-Dancer		

Total 445 plus **5 paid but no form received to date**

Square Dance Callers	39
Round Dance Cuers	13
Clogging Cuers	5

Can we possibly get 65 callers/cuers and 650 dancers???????????

Our first international caller to register was Dave Vieira, formerly of Texas and now of Florida. Dave and wife Michele have attended Nationals in Australia previously and called for Suncoasters in Buderim for several weeks while Nev and Bev were travelling.

Do you have any non-dancing friends or family who will be attending the Convention or staying near you during the event? Might they wish to be involved in some way and join our team of volunteer helpers? There are lots of simple tasks that they could help with or, if a qualified First Aider, could assist with monitoring our wellbeing while we're dancing. We have an experienced first aid trainer who will be supervising and organising a willing team of volunteers. We'd also like to hear from any dancers who are first aid qualified and can be added to the first-aid roster. You will not miss any dance time. You'll simply be available if called on to assist our team leader if needed.

Registered dancers have received the link to the first 2 chapters of the book that our Publicity Officer is compiling for our convention. The title, of course, is "Listen to Your Heart". A new chapter should be added each month until the convention is over. Once you register you will be given the link to the book.

The Early Bird Draw is about to happen, and we'd like to have lots of dancers here to celebrate with 65 lucky winners who will receive a \$65.00 refund. A segment of dancing will be filmed as part of a documentary, and we want a big crowd to show the world what we do "down under". Join us Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> August at the Sunshine Coast Square Dance Centre at 4.00 pm, RSVP for BBQ needed.

If this is your first "UPDATE", you can view the previous 3 at [www.2025.ansdc.au/news](http://www.2025.ansdc.au/news) or via the link to the Story Book. Join/ follow our Facebook page "2025.ansdc", "like" us and forward to your friends and clubs.

In the next 11 months, before you come to the 65<sup>th</sup>, we encourage you to keep a check on your health, look after your physical and mental wellbeing and be ready on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, to "LISTEN TO YOUR HEART" and have lots of hugs ready for distant friends.



### **HELP US PROMOTE SQUARE**

**DANCING:** An international film crew will be here putting the finishing touches to an exciting documentary on Australia.

**WHEN: 17TH AUGUST 2024**

**WHERE: Sunshine Coast Square Dance Centre,  
260 Dixon Road Buderim Qld**

**ACTIVITIES:** Starting at 4.00 pm Dancing, Socializing, and Celebration of the Anniversary of the opening of the Sunshine Coast Square Dance Centre, built in 1985 with private capital and Government subsidy by members of Suncoasters Square Dance Club Inc. This will be followed by an Aussie Sausage Sizzle with all the trimmings and then dancing and supper,.

**R.S.V.P.** For catering purposes please

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Cost: BBQ and Dance \$ 12.00 Dance only \$ 10.00

