



RSCDS Weekend Dance School - 2025



*Scottish Society NZ Hall.
136 Caledonian Road, Edgeware, Christchurch.*



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Weekend School Dates

June 20th 21st & 22nd



Note – there will not be live music during this weekend.

Please send applications at least 2 weeks before the class date to allow the Teachers time to plan.

Programme for the weekend

Friday:

1 pm	4.00 pm	Teachers & Briefers Class
7.30 pm	9.30 pm	Fun, easy dances with supper afterwards

Saturday:

9.15 am	9.45 am	Registration (Advanced & Development)
10.00 am	1.00 pm	Dancers Classes
7.30 pm	9.30 pm	Blend of easy, intermediate & social dances with supper afterwards

Sunday:

10.00 am	1.00 pm	Combined Class
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Teachers for June:

Hazel Fish – Development (Waimate)
Debbie Roxburgh - Advanced (Wanganui)

Classes

- ★ *Teachers and Briefers* - This class is for Teachers and Briefers who are already doing this work, and for those who are thinking about starting. In this class, we will learn what it means to be a teacher or brifer, talk about why this work is important, share ideas and experiences, and build skills and confidence. (this class is funded by the region so there is no cost and will be run by Debbie and Hazel)
- ★ *Development* – for those who are new to dancing or who have been dancing for a period but sometimes need reminders about basic formations (e.g., reels of three on the side) and progression, and who are keen to learn more to develop their dancing.
- ★ *Advanced* – for those who have a good knowledge of the basic steps, formations, the importance of phrasing and teamwork, and are keen for some challenges and are striving to be at the top of their game.

Experience the lively, rhythmic steps and spirited formations of Scottish Country Dancing in an immersive weekend school for all skill levels. Whether you're a beginner or a seasoned dancer, everyone is welcome!

Classes for dancers will be held on the Saturday and Sunday, with a welcome fun, easy dance Friday evening. Saturday evening will be a blend of easy, intermediate and social dances with beginners encouraged to come along. Both evenings dances will be followed by supper.

Venues

There are two halls at the Scottish Society on Caledonian Road, Edgeware, Christchurch. Both of which will be used with classes allocated, depending on numbers.

Fees

For 2025 fees will be charged per class as some people may not be able to commit to the full 2 days but wish to attend 1 or more class.

Classes (per class per day)	RSCDS members \$25 pp	Non RSCDS members \$30 pp
Evening dance (per evening)	\$10 pp plus a small plate	\$15 pp with no plate

Please bring RSCDS membership card if requesting RSCDS discount.

Teacher Biographies

Debbie Roxburgh

I began dancing in Canterbury in the 1970s and went on to complete my Teaching Certificate in 1989. Since then, I have been regularly teaching both adults' and children's classes. I have taught widely at region and Branch level, and internationally, and serve as an RSCDS examiner in New Zealand. I have been a member of the RSCDS and New Zealand Branch since I began dancing and I am committed to upholding the aims and traditions of the RSCDS whilst working to keep dancing relevant to NZ members.



Hazel Fish



I grew up in England and danced from a young age. During my university years I trained as a physiotherapist and also qualified as a teacher in ballet and modern theatre dance.

Fast forward to a move to the South Island of NZ in 2008, and our three young boys and I were soon dancing at the Waimate Scottish Country Dance Club. I moved on to take my RSCDS teaching certificate, completing this in 2017. Since then, I have

continued to teach at the Waimate club

and have developed a daytime Walk Scottish class which has attracted many local ladies who have never danced before. I combine my dance and physio backgrounds to create classes that meet the needs of the elderly members.

For my own dancing, I try to get to Christchurch (3 hours away) as often as possible to attend dances. I have been lucky to be asked to teach at NZ Summer Schools and an Australian Winter School, as well as regional weekend schools.



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Registration Form

Name

Address

Phone Email RSCDS number

Emergency contact name Phone

Any medical conditions

Class ☐ Development ☐ Advanced

Classes: Friday ☐ Saturday ☐ Sunday ☐

Evenings: Friday ☐ Saturday ☐

Club Tutor's full name

Club Tutor's signature

Please email your completed registration form to: -

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Account for payments : 03-0830-0247109-00

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