If you are not a caller, and/or have limited use of programs like CSDS, you might want to try SdGraphics to transform formations from the Sd program output to easy-to-read graphic images

SdGraphics is a free to use, open source Windows program. You can read more about it here, or download the latest release here: https://github.com/trygveb/SdGraphics/releases/latest

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SdGraphics requires a Sd file as input, so it requires knowledge of how to use the [Sd program](http://www.lynette.org/sd/download-pc.html). You have to create the Sd file while listening to a recorded dance. Some VSD callers allow you to download the sound recording from dances you attend for free. You can also buy recordings for a very small fee from Keith Rubows recordings page

SdGraphics creates a PDF file with all calls and resulting formations. If you want to distribute this file, it is important you ask the caller’s permission, and add the name of the caller to the copyright notice printed on each page. This file can be printed, or you might want to downloaded to a smartphone.

SdGraphics will also create a “zipped” (compressed) file with pictures of all formations and corresponding calls. These pictures can then be displayed one at a time, in a browser on your desktop or in a smartphone, using an html file (ZipViewer.html) delivered with the application. One click, and the call is displayed. Another click, and the resulting formation is displayed.   
ZipViewer currently has some problems diplaying large dancer matrixes.

SdGraphics can rotate all formations in a way that one selected dancer is shown with his/hers nose “up”. This option makes it easier for single dancers to check that you are standing in the right position.

This application still has some minor flaws, and more functionality can be added. Therefore I have decided to make SdGraphics Open Source, free for everyone to download and use, and possibly develop further. It is hosted on GitHub here: <https://github.com/trygveb/SdGraphics>

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