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**This issue is devoted to the Canberra Winter School, 28 September to 4 October
And the Branch Annual General Meeting scheduled for Wednesday 15 October**

**Information about other forthcoming events can be found in the latest Branch Newsletter or on the
Branch website at www.rscds-canberra.org**

WINTER SCHOOL

With just four weeks to go until the school commences, a great deal of the preparatory work has been completed but, as the countdown starts in earnest, much remains to be done to ensure that Canberra conducts a successful and enjoyable week.

The winter school committee (David Ayre, Alan McCulloch and I) wish to take this opportunity to thank a number of our local dancers - for all the voluntary work they have undertaken so far and for their offers to assist during the weeks that lie ahead:

- Firstly, to David Parkinson, for the huge effort he has made in handling the registration process, maintaining contact with registered dancers, and running a data base which is facilitating smooth liaison with staff at the Ibis Styles Hotel (the school headquarters);
- Then to Brian Gunning, for his design and production work on: the school brochure and advertisements relating to the school; the tickets for the evening dances; and the name badges and other print items;
- To Elaine Arthur, for many things including: sound advice, the organisation of the morning classes, recruitment of helpers, and the organisation of morning tea and other supplies;
- To David Hunter, for his work on the Branch website;
- Finally, to the large group of other helpers, too numerous to name individually, for their assistance as: decorations and morning tea crews; persons who will assist with tours to local places of interest; airport pick-up personnel; welcome pack assembly folk and meet and greet people; MCs for the evening dances; and personnel who will provide transport for dancers, teachers and musicians to classes and other events.

The omens seem good, but the goddess Fortune can be fickle. Nevertheless, with all the help we are receiving, we can, with some confidence, anticipate that the participants will be able to do what they are coming to do, which is: to have a great dancing experience and at the same time renew acquaintances or, if first timers, make new friends.

Jack Arthur
Chair

Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Branch Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 15 October 2014 at St Andrew's Church Hall, State Circle, Forrest, commencing at 7.30 pm.

The AGM provides an opportunity for you to inform yourselves about the state of the Branch's health, generally and financially, and to raise any matters that may be of concern to you.

All positions on the committee, including office bearers, become vacant and all Branch members, including current committee members, are eligible for re-election.

Anyone who might like to contribute to the work of the committee, and who may have some time to devote to it, are encouraged to consider being nominated. The committee meets four times a year so the workload is not onerous. New committee members bring with them new ideas and strengthen the organisation they represent. Please speak to a member of the current committee about this if you have an interest and a modest amount of available time.

You will find below, in addition to the Agenda, a nomination form for election of office bearers and committee members, and a form of appointment of a proxy if you are unable to attend the meeting in person.

The Treasurer, Mary Gellatly, would be pleased to accept membership fees for the 2014/15 financial year from any members who have not already renewed

The meeting will be followed by social dancing and supper and the committee looks forward to seeing you on 15 October.

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2013
3. Business Arising
4. Annual Report
5. Treasurer's Report
6. Election of Office Bearers and Committee
7. Appointment of Auditor
8. Australian Winter School, Canberra, 2014 – Report
9. Any Other Business

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**(1) Election of Office Bearers and Committee Members
NOMINATION FORM**

I, being a person qualified to vote at an election of the above Branch,

.....
(Name in BLOCK LETTERS of person **MAKING** the nomination)

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(Signature of person **MAKING** the nomination and date of nomination)

Hereby **NOMINATE**

.....
(Name in BLOCK LETTERS)

Who is a member of the above Branch, for election to office as (circle one below):

CHAIRMAN

SECRETARY

TREASURER

COMMITTEE MEMBER

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I, **CONSENT** to this nomination
(Name of person **NOMINATED** - BLOCK LETTERS)

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(Signature of person **NOMINATED** and date)

(2) FORM FOR APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

I,
(Name in BLOCK LETTERS)

Being a member of the above Branch, hereby **APPOINT**

.....
(Name of proxy in BLOCK LETTERS)

Who is a member of the above Branch, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General meeting of the above Branch to be held on Wednesday 15 October 2014, and at any adjournment of this meeting.

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(Signature of member appointing proxy and date.)

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