



CFOOTMAD COMMUNITY DANCES

Colorado Friends of Old Time Music and Dance

Nov/Dec 2019
www.cfootmad.org
720-722-1170

Find us on 

Boulder Contra & Family Dance - 1st/3rd Friday

- Nov 1 "Half Pelican" w/Sam Smith
Nov 15 "Adam Agee & Jon Sousa" w/Carol Fey
Dec 6 "Balance & Swing" w/Peter Johnson
Dec 20 "Julia Hays & Teri Rasmusson" w/Ed Hall
Jan 3 "Prairie Dog Picnic" w/?

Denver Contra Dance - 2nd/4th Friday

- Nov 8 "New Rhythm Rangers" w/Viki Lawrence
Nov 22 "The Buffleheads" w/Rick Smith
Dec 13 "Junk Yard Dogs" w/Tina Fields
Dec 27 "TBD" w/TBD – check Cfootmad.org for info

Zesty Contra Dance – 2nd Saturday

- Nov 9 "Avourneen" w/Peter Johnson
Dec 14 "Andy Reiner +1" w/Viki Lawrence

Hands Across Contra Dance – 4th Saturday

- Nov 23 "Viki Lawrence & Friends" w/Christa Torrens
Dec 28 Check Cfootmad.org For Details

Fifth Friday Boulder Waltz/Contra

- Nov 29 "Balance & Swing" w/Paul Somlo

CFOOTMAD Music Jam - 1st/3rd Monday

Fort Collins FoTD Events – 1st/3rd Saturday

- Nov 2 "Avourneen" w/Christa Torrens
Nov 16 "Sandra & Rodney" w/Ed Hall & Tina Fields
Nov 23 Waltz Night at The Masonic w/Avourneen
Dec 7 "Ragged Edge" w/Carol Fey
Dec 21 "New Rhythm Rangers" w/Paul Somlo
Dec 25 "Balance & Swing" w/Helle Hill
Dec 31 NYE Contra/Masonic/8:30-12:30pm/\$15/7

----Special Event----

NYE Contra Dance in Ft. Collins! At the Masonic, 8:30-12:30pm, \$15/7 students.

-----New Cfootmad Dance Series!-----

Hands Across Contra features inclusive gender-neutral contra dancing every 4th Saturday. Calls are made using the terms "larks" (on the left) and "ravens" (on the right) rather than the traditional "gents" and "ladies". We encourage all dancers to choose whichever role or roles they prefer!

-----Misc-----

Our dances are open to all - dance any role you wish

We encourage the use of reusable water bottles

We're fragrance free; no scents equals good sense! And remember – a clean dancer is a happy dancer!

Got a few dances under your belt? Are you comfortable with the basic figures? Are you ready for a new challenge?

If you answered yes to all of these, then you're ready for the Zesty, Cfootmad's monthly dance party – no secret handshake required! 2nd Saturdays, every month.

What county are you from? SCFD wants to know. In 2020, Cfootmad will receive over \$11,000 in SCFD grants, and since 2000, we've received over \$200,000 from the SCFD. Since Cfootmad dances typically lose money, SCFD funding helps keep admission prices low.

BASIC CFOOTMAD INFORMATION

CFOOTMAD organizes the events listed below and occasional special events. Prices may vary for special events. Children are welcome at dances if supervised by a responsible adult. For CFOOTMAD dance information, call 720-722-1170, Jerry at 303-665-1429 (h) or 303-497-1315 (w), or look us up on the web at www.cfootmad.org.

CFOOTMAD EVENT DETAILS

Boulder Community Contra Dance: Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe. Lesson 7:15. Dance 8-11. \$10/\$8 members, \$5 students. Contact Teri 720-352-1770.

Denver Contra Dance: Scheitler Recreation Center at Berkley Park, 5031 W 46 Ave (I-70 @ Sheridan), Beginning lesson 7:15. Dance 8-11. \$10/\$8 members, \$5 students. Contact Duffy 303-882-9361.

Hands Across Contra (Denver): Gender-neutral contra dance, United Methodist Church, 690 Colorado Blvd. (7th and Colorado), Beginning lesson 6:15, dance 7-10. Sliding scale \$5 to \$15. Contact Sam 814-933-7704.

Music Jam (Denver): 1st and 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm. At the home of Duffy Boyle and Nancy Reindl, 2240 Perry St., refreshments provided. Contact Duffy 303-882-9361 or duffyboyle@gmail.com

5th Friday Boulder Waltz-Contra: Contras plus Waltzes, live music. Avalon Ballroom, 6185 Arapahoe in Boulder. Contra lesson 7:30pm, dance 8-11. \$10/\$8 members, \$5 students. Contact Viki 303-913-2534 or viki.lawrence@gmail.com.

Zesty Contra Dance: Contras for experienced dancers. No lesson, quick walk-throughs and little caller leading. Dances start promptly at 7pm with a waltz. Scheitler Recreation Center at Berkeley Park, 5031 W 46 Ave (just SE of I-70 at Sheridan). Dance 7-10. \$12/\$10 members, \$5 students. Contact Caroline 303-444-9801.

FOTD DANCE DETAILS

Friends of Traditional Dance - Masonic Lodge, 225 W. Oak St. Fort Collins. Lesson at 6:45pm, dance 7:30-10:30, \$10/\$5students. Contact Paul 970-829-8689.

Grant Writing Anyone?

We're looking for an apprentice who can help with the CFOOTMAD SCFD grant. Contact Caroline Fuller, grantwriter@cfootmad.org.



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Meet Kevin Stow-Parker

Kevin grew up in Northern California, earning a degree in mechanical engineering at UC Merced. He also spent time at Rensselaer Polytechnic, studying heat transfer and fluid mechanics. At Turtle Bay, a natural history museum in his hometown, Kevin volunteered as ticket taker, docent, and usher for animal shows. The animals, wild and rehabilitated, included foxes and birds; a cockatiel having an aversion to men with beards and glasses required constant vigilance.



His first time contra dancing was at Riley & Rowan's wedding, at the Westminster Grange. He enjoyed it immensely, and Riley encouraged him to attend the Denver dance; he took the bait and got hooked straight away.

Kevin enjoys having a Cfootmad dance every weekend – it provides him with another social outlet outside of work and it's nice to see familiar faces each week, although he'd like to see more of them at the dances. He's especially encouraged by the increasing number of dancers willing to dance both roles; for him, it makes the dances more interesting.

His advice for increasing attendance would be to market to schools, although he concedes that word of mouth seems to be our foremost method of advertising.

Off the dance floor, Kevin works as an engineer, providing mechanical and electrical expertise for greenhouse climate control – an industry that's exploding due to Colorado's burgeoning cannabis and hemp industry. Prior to banks recognizing the cannabis industry, projects were cloaked in secrecy; on one occasion, a customer arrived at the office with a duffel bag full of cash, as payment. Some of the clients have installed concrete road barriers, to prevent vehicles from crashing their gates. When working on premises, you can expect to be escorted by a man with a prominently displayed gun at all times.

His free time is divided between reading, board games, tabletop role playing games, and cooking. He likes to read sci-fi/fantasy, and fiction by Soviet authors. Role playing games (RPG) – think "Dungeons and Dragons"; Kevin often assumes the role of Dungeon Master, serving as the games referee and storyteller – the person who controls and directs the realm in which the game occurs. Most of his RPG time is spent playing Eldritch Horror, where "investigators" travel the globe in an urgent quest to save the world from a diabolical, omnipotent ancient one. Cooking, which he finds relaxing, includes specialties such as Ma Po Tofu, Tonkatsu, Pad Thai, and Indian curries.

NEXT CFOOTMAD NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Friday, Dec 13 is the deadline for the Jan/Feb 2019 newsletter. Submit materials to newsletter@cfootmad.org.

CFOOTMAD is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Funds to support CFOOTMAD come from admission fees, memberships, SCFD funding, and from generous individuals who give above and beyond their membership dues. Consider making a CFOOTMAD donation to sponsor a dance in celebration of your birthday, anniversary, or any other reason that strikes your fancy. Thank you to all CFOOTMAD members and a special thanks to those who have made additional donations. Thanks also to the many members of the CFOOTMAD dance community who donate their time and talent in ways large and small – *your CFOOTMAD board: Nancy Reindl, Sam Smith, Christa Torrens, Mark Berte, Steve Thomas, Teresa McCoy.*

