



Help us celebrate our 45th annual ball with sapphire-like sparkle! Besides our traditional ball, complete with sit-down dinner and stellar musicians, this year's weekend will have a few new traditions. Our favorite duo, Parcel of Rogues, is taking on a Slavic feel this spring! Susie and Calum will play with a guest fiddler originally from Uzbekistan, KeyReel Raskolenko. The trio will be joined for part of the program by fiddler Dave Mullen and piper Andrew Seevers, both from the Madison band Lochanside. Bring your instruments to "Play Together" with our talented ball musicians before their Friday concert. Extend your dance music knowledge with a low-impact dance workshop Saturday morning. And top off the weekend with parties and new friendships!

A Parcel of Rogues: Susie Petrov (piano) and Calum Pasqua (fiddle)

This duo brings a wealth of Scottish music experience to Madison. Calum was the first American to win the Glenfiddich Scottish Fiddle Competition in Scotland and also holds a US Scottish Fiddle Championship. Susie, who plays both piano and accordion, is an accomplished Scottish Country Dance teacher who has shared her talents across the US, Canada, Scotland, and central Europe. Together they have some 50+ years of Scottish country dancing experience between them and have performed for concerts, balls, summer camps, and in biker bars in Queens.

KeyReel Raskolenko plays for RSCDS dances in his adopted home of Dallas, Texas. In addition to playing classical music and jazz, KeyReel was bitten by the "Celtic Music" bug as a teen and has



never looked back. He works as a teacher, composer and performer. Susie first met KeyReel in that most modern of places, Facebook, on the recommendation of Alasdair Fraser. Susie and Calum are looking forward to bringing his fiddling prowess to RSCDS groups!

Schedule

Friday, March 28

*Bethany Evangelical Free Church, 301 Riverside Dr., Madison 53704
Parking behind church and on side streets. Enter from parking lot.*

- 7:00-7:45 pm Scottish Music "Play Together" Workshop, led by concert musicians. Bring your instrument: whistle, flute, violin, cello, saxophone, accordion and come and try some authentic Scottish repertoire! All ages and experience levels. Suggested donation: \$15 at the door. Includes concert & dessert buffet. Listeners are welcome.
- 8:00-9:00 Concert featuring the best in Scottish music, old and new. All selections will be introduced from the stage to enhance your appreciation of the music. Suggested donation: \$15 at the door. Includes dessert buffet after the concert.

Saturday, March 29

All activities at Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St., Madison, WI 53706

- 11:00 am-12:00 pm Dance Workshop with Susie Petrov - A low-impact session on dancing to jigs/reels/Strathspeys incorporating portions of the evening's ball dances. Festival Room (lower level)
- 1:00 - 2:30 Beginner Walkthrough (1st year dancers) Old Madison Room (3rd floor)
- 1:00 - 2:30 Advanced Walkthrough Class of 1924 Reception Room (4th floor)
- 4:30 pm Social Hour with Cash Bar, Great Hall (4th floor)
- 5:30 pm Sit-Down Dinner, Great Hall
- 7:00 pm Grand March & Ball, Great Hall
Ball program: tinyurl.com/mscdbl2025
- 11:30 Post-Ball Potluck Party (location available at the ball)

Sunday, March 30

- 10:00 am Potluck Brunch (location available at the ball)

Parking Near Memorial Union

State Street Campus Garage, 430 N. Frances St.

NOTE: The Lake St. portion of the garage is closed, enter on N. Frances St.

Helen C. White Garage (Lot #6), 600 N. Park St. (frequently full)

Real-time parking availability links at madisonscottishcountrydancers.org/ball2025

MSCD Ball Weekend - March 28-30, 2025

Registration Information

Dinner registration deadline is **March 14**. *Meal requests received after March 14 are not guaranteed.* Contact Registrar Barb Samdahl for availability. We also offer online PayPal registration.

To register via PayPal: madisonscottishcountrydancers.org/paypal-registration

To register by mail: Send your completed registration form and check to: Barb Samdahl, 2102 Sheridan Drive, Madison, WI 53704. *Discount for cash or check!*

Student Discount / Scholarships

We offer a \$15 discount for students attending the ball. Scholarships are also available for those otherwise unable to attend. For more information, contact Barb Samdahl, Registrar, by **March 14**.

Accommodations

Please indicate on the registration form if you desire hospitality or contact Carol Buelow (contact info below). We will do our best to accommodate everyone, but can't guarantee it. Hotel information can be found at visitmadison.com/hotels or by calling the Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau at 800 / 373-6376.

Dinner Selections

Entrée choices for the Saturday dinner are described below. All dinners include a mixed green salad, rolls, beverages, and dessert. A cash bar will also be available.

Chicken: Grilled chicken breast, mushroom sauce, roasted potatoes, seasonal vegetables

Salmon: Seared salmon, lemon cream sauce, braised lentils, rainbow carrots (*additional \$10*)

Lentils: French lentils, harissa carrots, grilled zucchini, herb oil, red pepper puree

Child Meal: Chicken tenders

Key Contacts

Registrar & Friday Music Workshop/Concert: Barb Samdahl, 608 / 279-5954, barbara.samdahl@charter.net

Ball Co-chair: Scott Weiss, 608 / 358-1388, weisscott@hotmail.com

Ball Co-chair: Ann Lindsey, 608 / 833-7690, alindsey@chorus.net

Hospitality: Carol Buelow, 608 / 577-3127, crbuelow@wisc.edu

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Please bring cash, check, or Venmo details/password for purchasing

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REGISTRATION FORM

Preferred Name(s) on Badge _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email _____

PAYMENT

_____ Weekend Package: Music Workshop/Concert, Dance Workshop, Dinner & Ball (\$100)

_____ Friday Music Workshop/Concert (\$15 suggested donation)

_____ Saturday Dance Workshop (\$15)

_____ Dinner & Ball (\$80)

_____ Ball only (\$50)

_____ Ball only - current MSCR & Milwaukee beginner class students (free)

_____ Dinner only - Adult (\$50)

_____ Salmon entrée surcharge (add \$10 for each salmon dinner)

_____ Dinner only - Child Meal (\$20)

_____ Student discount (subtract \$15)

_____ Optional donation for scholarships

_____ *Discount for cash or check (subtract \$3)*

_____ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

Please make checks payable to Madison Scottish Country Dancers.

DINNER SELECTIONS

Note: Meal requests after March 14 not guaranteed.

Contact Registrar Barb Samdahl for availability.

Indicate your choice below; include names if more than one person.

Chicken: _____ Salmon: _____

Lentils: _____ Chicken Tenders (Child): _____

HOSPITALITY

If seeking hospitality, indicate number of people and night(s):

_____ Friday only _____ Saturday only _____ Friday & Saturday _____ Smoking ? Y / N

Dietary considerations, pet allergies, other special needs? _____

If traveling with others who want hospitality but are not on this form, please list their names:

HEALTH POLICY

Do not attend any of the weekend activities if you feel ill. Please test if you suspect you have contracted Covid. Follow the CDC guidelines about precautions and isolation if you have been exposed or if you have had Covid recently. Practice good hand hygiene. Masks are optional but welcome. We reserve the right to amend our policy if conditions warrant it. **We suggest taking a Covid test before arriving. Full refunds are available for medical reasons.**