

## History, Heritage & Tradition

### Seminar content:

- Historical Background
- Heritage
- Tradition

### HISTORICAL FOUNDATION

- Expansion in USA through books like „Cowboy Dances“, Dr. Lloyd Shaw and “Good Morning“, Benjamin Lovett & Henry Ford between 1920-1940
- Foundation Date ECTA (e.V. since 1993 – under German law)
- One of the biggest sponsors: Henry Ford: Building “Lovett Hall” for Square dancing
- CALLERLAB Definitions since 1973: Lists and programs
- Regional Caller and Cuer meetings / Regional groups in ECTA
- Honorary members in ECTA (ECTA does not have complete information)

Jim Robar (SD) 1997 Chris Vear (SD) 1975 Corky & Paulette Pell (RD) 1976 Jim Taylor (SD) 1973 Bob Osgood (SD) 1964 Lee Helsel (SD) 1960 Minnie & Allie Morvent 1968 Cal Golden (SD) Lynn Sandstrom (RD) Rudi & Ursula Pohl (SD) 1987	Bryan Gill (SD) 2011 Al Stevens (SD) 1992 Kenny Reese (SD) 2008 Angelika Kromer (CL) 2013 Daniela Schell (CL) 2013 Elli Günther (CL) 2013 Tina Kipp (CL) 2013 Heiner Fischle (SD, CT) 2017 Dave K. Preskitt (SD) 2018 Don Casper (RD/SD) 2021
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### Square Dancing in ECTA

- First Square Dance in German public 1949, Caller Paul Hartmann
- Start of Square Dancing in Sweden about 1977 (Caller Peter Myhr)
- Start of Square Dancing in Denmark about 1983 (Margot Gunzenhauser)
- Square Dance Quarterly Selection Calls
- Burleson Encyclopedia of Square Dance figures
- First written dance descriptions/CALLERLAB Definitions and their changes

### Round Dancing in ECTA

- 1960 Round Dancing introduced at Fall Round up by Maizie & Lloyd Poole
- 1960 first „popular-list“ of Round Dances by Maizie & Lloyd Poole
- The ECTA Repertoire includes Classics as well
- Which rhythms were added to the ECTA Repertoire, and when?
- Startup in ECTA with Twostep, Walz & Cha-Cha
- 2010: Start of transition from ROUNDALAB phase-system I-VI to ECTA Step Level

### Clogging in ECTA

- 1994 Clogging has its own council in ECTA
- 1986 Petra Willm conducted the first Clogging Workshop at ECTA Jamboree
- Phases in Clogging: Easy, Easy Intermediate, Intermediate, Advanced, High Advanced
- 1983 Monika Zöller first Clogger in Munich

### Contra and Traditional in ECTA

- 1996 Contra has its own council in ECTA
- Heiner Fischle offered Contra at an ECTA Jamboree (probably 1980 or earlier)

### **HERITAGE**

- Morris Man / Appalachian Mountain Dances
- Big Circle Dances, Two Couple Dances
- USA: a caller is prompting the names of figures
- Friendship Song by Lowe and Cowman (1970 US travelling group introduced the song at the Tamburin - Stuttgart)
- Grand March/Polonaise
- Master of Ceremonies
- Round Dancing: Dancing with one partner
- Square Dancing: Early dance figures coming from different folk dances
- Clogging: wearing special taps, using international names for steps
- Contra: dancing to a live band / dancing whenever possible to simple calls, all figures might be learned very fast, just for this event only.
- One language: (English) names of figures and their definitions are worldwide

### **TRADITION**

- Special events like Jamborees, Fall Round up, Student Jamboree, Conventions
- How to say thank you after each tip, after each club evening
- Wearing special clothes, Petticoats, western skirts, little towels
- Club Badges, Banner, Dangles, Badge-Banner, Afterparties
- Round Dance Repertoire songs /Lists and levels/Phases and their dances
- ECTA Repertoire, Step level, Phases
- Using Flyers for advertisement: spread flyers at special events
- Annual special dances
- Graduation Ceremony
- Special Dances/Jamborees: Round Dancing between Square Dancing Program

### Games:

- Plaque or Banner Exchange/Stealing
- Friendship Book / Century Book
- Kizzin Kuzins, Turtles, Rover, dancing on ice skates, dancing in wet grass
- Friendship Barrel

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7	Honorary Membership for Don Casper added	1.7	EH	2021/Dec
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