

PRESIDENT'S REPORT... 1981/82.

THIS IS THE KIND OF REPORT A PRESIDENT JUST LOVES TO MAKE.....WE HAD A GOOD SEASON! AS I REPORTED LAST YEAR, MY PERSONAL AIM WAS THE MEMBERS' ENJOYMENT. THE FACT THAT WE INCREASED MEMBERSHIP AND OUR BANK ACCOUNT WAS A BONUS, A WELCOME BONUS.

EACH SEASON OF OUR CLUB'S EXISTENCE HAS HAD A CHARACTER OF ITS OWN. THE CURRENT SEASON COULD BE CHARACTERISED BY THE VARIETY OF LOCATIONS USED FOR OUR FUNCTIONS . THIS VARIETY , I FEEL, WAS ADDED SPICE TO OUR ENJOYMENT.

THE SEASON STARTED WITH TWO OUTDOOR DANCES IN LAKE ONTARIO PARK AND BOTH WENT VERY WELL. DURING THE SEASON WE HELD DANCES IN THE AMHERSTVIEW COMMUNITY CENTRE, THE R.C.A.F. CLUB AND THE LOUISE D. ACTON HALL... ALL WERE SUCCESSFUL AND ENJOYED BY THE GREATER MAJORITY. OUR 'SPECIALS' WERE IN 'OHR PLACE'..THE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION, THE STEELWORKERS HALL.. PUB NIGHT, AND THE ARCHBISHOP O'SULLIVAN SCHOOL FOR OUR 'FISH & CHIP' NIGHT, AND ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL FOR THE NEW YEAR DANCE.WE HAD PROBLEMS WITH 'FISH & CHIP' NIGHT BUT THAT DID NOT SPOIL THE ENJOYMENT OF THE DANCE OR THE FOOD..

A REAL SUCCESS THIS SEASON WAS THE THURSDAY EVENING CLASS RUN BY ART & LUCILLE HUTCHINSON IN THE GORDON SINCLAIR SCHOOL JUST BEFORE THE TEAM PRACTISE. THIS CLASS WAS WELL ATTENDED AND MUCH APPRECIATED.

~~THE FRIDAY NIGHT SOCIALS WERE HELD IN THE RIDEAU PUBLIC SCHOOL AND WHEN IT WAS NOT AVAILABLE, WE USED ST. THOMAS MORE SCHOOL, THE MCGILLIVRAY-BROWN HALL AND ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH HALL.~~ THE SOCIALS WERE AN OUTSTANDING SUCCESS AND THE ATTENDANCE INCREASED TO AN AVERAGE OF OVER 60, COMPARED TO 40 FOR LAST SEASON. SO, YOU SEE, WE GAINED A WIDE EXPERIENCE OF THE HALLS THAT ARE AVAILABLE, THEIR FACILITIES AND, OF COURSE, THE PRICES.

OUR CLUB HAS DEVELOPED A VERY NICE FORMAT IN THAT WE HAVE SOME INSTRUCTION AT THE SOCIALS, JUST ENOUGH TO GET PEOPLE OFF THE CHAIRS AND ON THE FLOOR. FOR THOSE WHO WISH MORE THERE IS THE THURSDAY CLASSES. THEN , FOR THOSE <sup>prepared to devote the time</sup> ~~WILLING TO WORK HARD AND LONG~~, THERE IS THE TEAM. THESE SESSIONS ARE ENJOYABLE IN THEMSELVES BUT ALSO SERVE TO MAKE DANCING MORE ENJOYABLE.

ONE ASPECT OF OUR CLUB THAT SHOULD MAKE US PROUD , AND WHICH WE SHOULD FOSTER AND ENCOURAGE, IS THAT WE HELP EACH OTHER. THE HELPING MAKES US SOCIALISE AND ,AFTER ALL, WE ARE A SOCIAL CLUB. BY HELPING OTHERS ENJOY DANCING CAN ONLY INCREASE OUR OWN DANCING ENJOYMENT.

*Members support - money*

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President 1981-1982*