

SOCIETY  
FOR  
INTERNATIONAL  
FOLK  
DANCING

JUN 49



PROGRAMME FOR JUNE 1949

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INNS OF COURT MISSION - BROAD COURT, DRURY LANE, W.C.

SUNDAY, June 12th, at 6.30 p.m. DANCE Alun and Band,

" " 19th " " " Bert and Mourie.

(Note. There is no dance on Whit Sunday)

CARLYLE SCHOOL, HORTENSIA ROAD, CHELSEA, S.W.3.

WEDNESDAY, June 1st, at 7 p.m. CLASS. Gladys and Alun with Marian at the Piano.

" " 8th, " " DANCE, Arnold with records.

" " 15th, " " CLASS, Irene and Bert with Gladys and Marian at the piano.

" " 22nd, " " DANCE, Alun with records

" " 29th " " DANCE, Bert with records.

FRIDAY, June 3rd, at 7 p.m. DANCING to records

" " 10th " " Advanced Class. Mary

" " 17th " " " " Philip Thornton

" " 23rd " " " " Philip Thornton

CECIE SHARP HOUSE, REGENTS PARK ROAD, N.W.1.

SUNDAY, June 26th, at 6.30 p.m. DANCE. Ian, Henry and band.

The Tuesday beginners' classes have been discontinued for the time being.

News Sheet continued :

Week-ends.

As a result of much valiant effort by our stalwarts during recent visits to Crockham Hill Youth Hostel, the lawn has been substantially completed. Those people who saw the original site would find difficulty in recognising the place. There is no room here to name individuals in such a cooperative effort, but exception must be made in the case of Mr. and Mrs. Castles, the Wardens, for their great help and enthusiasm. The final stages in the construction of the lawn will be made on the weekend June 18th. Everybody is welcome on the weekend, and a dance will be held in the Women's Institute Hall on the Saturday evening. Jean is taking names for booking.

Addresses.

To avoid delay in the receipt of communications, will members please inform Marie, Bert or Alun of any recent or future change of address

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## From the Chairman.

A General Meeting of the Society will be held at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 13th July at Carlyle School, Hortensia Rd., S.W.3. In response to my request to you, various members have sent letters. Your Committee first met the people who had written suggesting alterations to the draft of the proposed new constitution. As a result, two Committee meetings were held to enable some amendments to be made to the original draft. A motion at the General Meeting will be that the existing Constitution be replaced by the original draft with these amendments. Under the existing Constitution motions must be received, duly signed and seconded, not less than three days before the Meeting. Motions to amend the Constitution and other motions will not therefore be accepted from the floor.

## A visitor from Sweden.

It was my recent good fortune to meet Hr. Gunnar Hahn of Stockholm. He is a leading authority in Sweden on Folk Music and Folk Dance Music. Mr. Hahn has expressed great interest in our Society and is prepared to help us considerably. He has given to me two of his own recordings for which we must be very grateful. I look forward to our continued cooperation and Mr. Hahn's next visit when you will all be able to meet him and hear his excellent playing on both accordion and piano.

Charles.

## Constitution

It appears that a number of members have no knowledge of the existing Constitution. It has therefore been decided to circulate copies of it with the present News Sheet. There will be much to discuss at the next General Meeting, so please consider the question of the Constitution very carefully in advance.

## News Sheet.

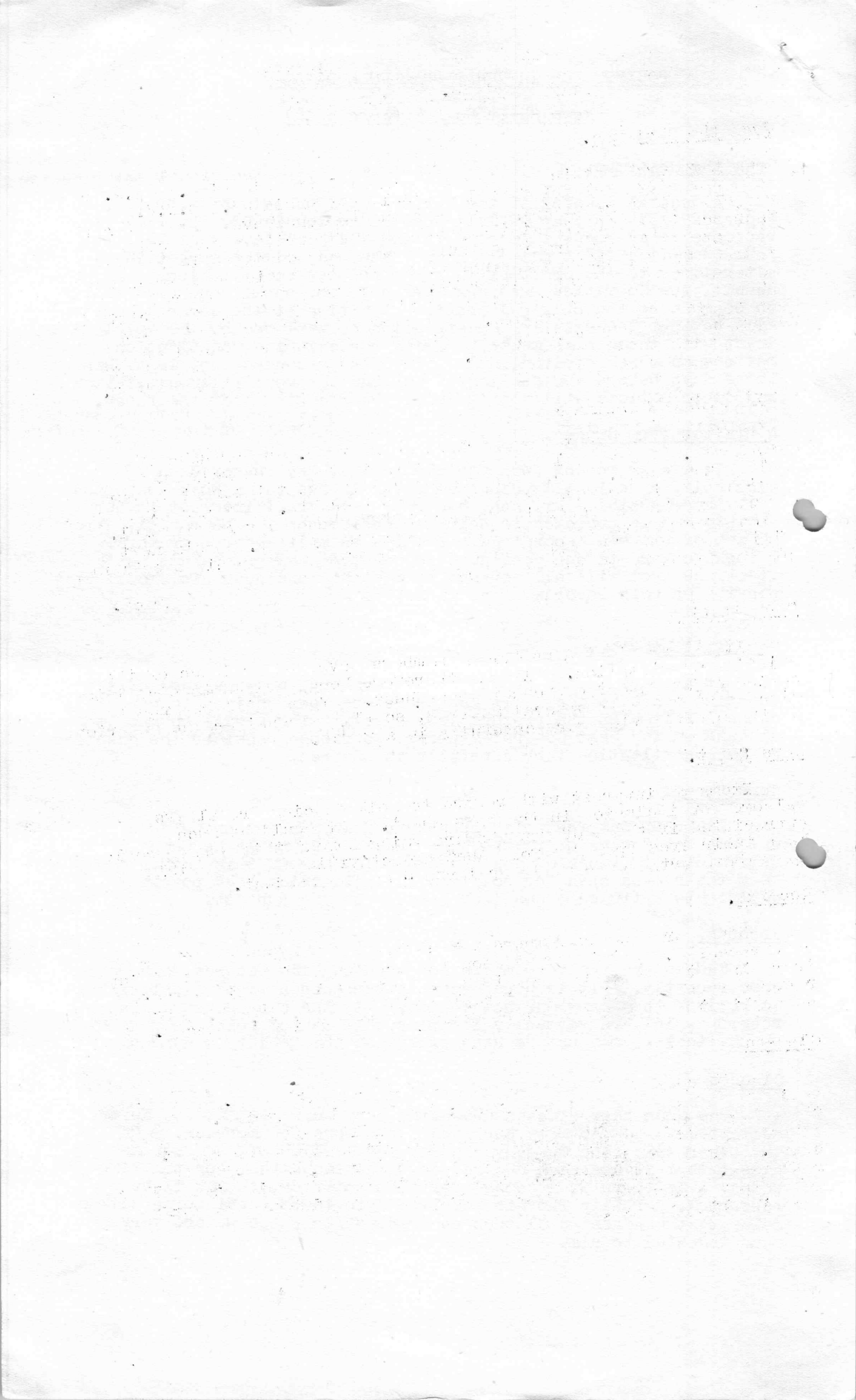
Items of interest with regard to folk dancing are always welcome for inclusion in the News Sheet. It would be much appreciated if those of you who are going abroad this summer could keep their eyes open for folk dancing activities, and possibly contribute articles - small or large - on the subject.

## Records.

Thanks are due to members for handling the records with more care recently. It is hoped soon to purchase a lightweight pickup to replace the heavy one now in use. It has been decided that records which are virtually irreplaceable and of which we possess no duplicates, may not be used except at the Society's dances.

## Classes

The Wednesday classes are being very well attended. We are delighted to see so many new faces: the more the merrier. On the other hand, the Tuesday classes have fallen off to such an extent that it has been decided to discontinue them for the time being. If there is a demand for them later on, they will be restarted. Philip Thornton continues to teach fascinating Balkan Kolos to the Advanced Classes on Fridays for which we are very much indebted to him.



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Constitution June 1949

1. The Society shall be called the Society for International Folk Dancing and its objects shall be:
  - (a) To promote, encourage and teach Folk Dancing of all races.
  - (b) To collect and record details of such dances
  - (c) To further international friendship and understanding in this way.
  - (d) To do anything to further the above objects.
2. The Society is non-sectarian and non-political and no political use is to be made of the Society at any time.
3. Membership shall be open to any person subject to the committee's discretion. The committee shall have power to refuse an application for membership or to expel a member, subject to the ratification of the next ensuing General Meeting of members.
4. The management of the Society shall be in the hands of a committee which shall consist of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and six other members, all to be elected annually. An auditor, who shall not be a member of the committee shall be elected at the same time. Any vacancy on the committee may be filled by co-option, the vacancy to be filled by election at the next General Meeting of the Society. If a member of the Committee is absent from three consecutive committee or general meetings, without a reasonable excuse, his appointment shall be rendered vacant.
5. The committee shall have power to appoint sub-committees for such purposes as from time to time they may consider necessary or expedient. All decisions of these committees are subject to ratification by a two-third majority of the committee.
6. An Annual General Meeting of the Members shall be held as soon after 15th September as may be convenient in each year. At least one other General Meeting shall be held during the year. A General Meeting shall be called within one month of the receipt by the Secretary of a request for such a meeting signed by not less than one tenth of the membership. At least 10 days' notice of the holding of a General Meeting shall be given to all members. Any motion that is proposed and seconded shall be placed upon the Agenda provided that it is received by the Secretary at least three days before the date of the meeting.
7. The annual subscription shall be payable on the 1st of September in each year. The financial year shall end on the 31st August in each year. Members joining after 28th February can join at half rate. A statement of accounts for the preceding year shall be circulated with the notice of the Annual General Meeting. Membership of the Society may confer special concessions either as to the price of admission to any dance or otherwise, such concession to be decided by the committee, in conjunction with, if necessary, any other person or organisation interested. Members have a right to participate in activities of the Society and receive such benefits and publications as the committee may from time to time decide.

