



**Honours & Awards  
Report to CSRDS  
AGM 2015**

I am pleased to report that, unlike 2014, we've received nominations for awards this year. At the time of writing this report, we are awaiting endorsement from a provincial federation on one, and two others are approved and notifications to the recipients, federations and nominators and a determination of presentation dates should be completed by the time of the AGM and we anticipate being able to comment on those at that time. We recently received one other nomination which is rather lengthy in its contents which we will be distributed to the Board of Directors for review shortly.

There have been many questions about the criteria for these national awards this past year with suggestions that they need to be reviewed and updated. I will be bringing this up with the Board for its recommendation in that regard.

A reminder of the two awards:

### **Award of Excellence**

This is the CSRDS's highest award and is reserved for any dancer, or caller/cuer or leader who is a member of the Society. Awards may be made posthumously or to former members no longer active in the movement. There are no restrictions as to the number of awards granted, nor is there a requirement to make an Award in any given year. The recognition is reserved for those whose contribution to square, round, contra, clogging and line dancing is well outside the activities of the average participant. Accomplishments could be either a single, exceptional result in a short period of time, or a steady, continuing, above-average contribution over a long period of time.

### **Long Service Award**

A Long Service Award is presented to persons who have made contribution and service to the movement over many years. Any dancer, caller, leader, instructor or cuer member of the Society is eligible for this award. Awards may be made posthumously or to former members no longer active in the moment. There is no restriction as to the number of awards granted, nor is there a requirement to make any award in any given year.

Complete information and nomination forms for these awards can be found on the website. You may also contact me directly for information.

Please take some time and consider who in your dancing community is deserving of national recognition and put forward a nomination.

Thanks.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darcy McGifford  
Chair, Honours & Awards