## **Ding-a-Ling = Two Forward 2-Steps**

## Harlequin Rounds Christmas Break-up Dance Party

Harlequin Rounds round dance club had its Christmas Break-up Dance Party on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December at their dance hall in Heatherton. Over 25 dancers came from all over Melbourne to help them celebrate. Upon entry they were given a headband to wear. The girls wore a crown and the boys had reindeer antlers with the names of Santa's sled team members. Sherries and Irish Cream drinks and finger food were available as a pre-dance treat.

Coral, the Harlequin Rounds Teacher and Cuer, welcomed everyone and the dancing commenced at about 8 o'clock with rumbas, cha, waltzes, 2-steps and foxtrots. One even had a few Jive steps. Another dance contained 3 rhythms in the one dance just to keep everyone on their toes. Many of the tunes had a Christmas theme. For one 2-Step dance, Coral announced that instead of cueing "Two Forward 2-Steps" she would ring a bell. That got everyone dancing and laughing when they heard the "ding-a-ling"!

Two guest Cuers, Ella and Pat, joined in and cued some round dances and, just to add to the variety, Mike, from Jaybee Square Dance Club, called a couple of square dances! There were a lot of spot prizes and lucky headband prizes between dance brackets. The raffle prizes were special lace Christmas decorations made by Coral. The raffle raised \$82 and this was donated to the Guide Dog Association of Victoria. The dancing finished at about 10.30pm and everyone indulged in a lavish supper. What an enjoyable night!

Harlequin Rounds begins again on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2014 at 7.30pm. It is held every Monday evening at 61-69 Pietro Road (Gate 2), Heatherton. For more information contact Coral on 9702 9251 or 0407 814 686. Coral is also President of the Round Dance Association of Victoria (RDAV). Round Dancing is cued ballroom dancing. It is a social, fun way to keep fit.



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