

Madison Scottish Country Dancers
46th Annual Ball Weekend
March 28–29, 2026

Dancing by the Lochs

Join us for an evening of music, dancing, and fun between Madison's iconic lochs during the Madison Scottish Country Dancers' 46th Annual Ball! Enjoy scenic views of Lake Mendota, savor a gourmet catered meal, listen to live Scottish music, and dance the night away with friends old and new.

Lochanside

With bagpipes, guitar, fiddle, celtic whistle, and a bodhran drum, this 5-piece band from Madison plays Scottish music—everything from centuries old traditional songs and upbeat dance tunes to new celtic music coming out of Scotland today. They have had experience playing for Scottish country dancing, ceilidhs, and Burns Nights as well as concerts that highlight each member's specialty instrument. The band will be enhanced for dancing by including Liam Mullen on keyboard.

Parking Near Memorial Union

State Street Campus Garage, 430 N. Frances St.

NOTE: The Lake St. portion of the garage is closed, enter on N. Frances St.

Helen C. White Garage (Lot #6), 600 N. Park St. (frequently full)

Real-time parking availability links at madisonscottishcountrydancers.org/ball2026

Saturday, March 28

All activities at Memorial Union, 800 Langdon St., Madison, WI 53706

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| 1:00–2:30 | Beginner Walkthrough (1st year dancers)
Old Madison Room (3rd floor) |
| 1:00–2:30 | Advanced Walkthrough
Class of 1924 Reception Room (4th floor) |
| 4:30 pm | Social Hour with Cash Bar, Great Hall (4th floor) |
| 5:30 pm | Sit-Down Dinner, Great Hall |
| 7:00 pm | Grand March & Ball, Great Hall
Ball program: tinyurl.com/mscdball2026 |
| 11:30 | Post-Ball Potluck Party (location available at the ball) |

Sunday, March 29

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| 10:00 am | Potluck Brunch (location available at the ball) |
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Registration Information

Dinner registration deadline is **March 12**. *Meal requests received after March 12 are not guaranteed.* Contact Registrar Barb Samdahl for availability.

To register by mail: Send this completed registration form and check to Barb Samdahl, 2102 Sheridan Dr., Madison, WI 53704. *Discount for cash or check.*

To register online and pay by cash, check, or PayPal: tinyurl.com/ball2026reg

Student Discount / Scholarships

We offer a \$15 discount for students attending the ball. Scholarships are also available for those otherwise unable to attend. For more information, contact Barb Samdahl, Registrar, by **March 12**.

Accommodations

Please indicate on the registration form if you desire hospitality or contact Carol Buelow (contact info below). We will do our best to accommodate everyone, but can't guarantee it. Hotel information can be found at visitmadison.com/hotels or by calling the Madison Convention & Visitors Bureau at 800 / 373-6376.

Dinner Selections

Entrée choices for the Saturday dinner are described below. All dinners include a mixed green salad, rolls, beverages, and dessert. A cash bar will also be available.

Herbed Pork with roasted garlic pan sauce, garlic mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables

Panko-Crusted Cod with cheddar hash browns and garlic green beans

Cheese Ravioli with marinara sauce and grilled vegetable ratatouille

Child Meal: Chicken tenders

Key Contacts

Registrar: Barb Samdahl, 608 / 279-5954, barbara.samdahl@charter.net

Ball Co-chair: Scott Weiss, 608 / 358-1388, weisscott@hotmail.com

Ball Co-chair: Ann Lindsey, 608 / 833-7690, alindsey@chorus.net

Hospitality: Carol Buelow, 608 / 577-3127, crbuelow@wisc.edu

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Please bring cash, check, or Venmo details/password for purchasing

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MSCD appreciates the academic sponsorship of the UW-Madison Department of German, Nordic, and Slavic.



Registration form

Preferred Name(s) on Badge _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email _____

Payment

_____ Dinner & Ball (\$80)

_____ Ball only (\$50)

_____ Ball only - current MSCR & Milwaukee beginner class (1st-time students only) (free)

_____ Dinner only - Adult (\$50)

_____ Dinner only - Child Meal (\$20)

_____ Student discount (not a SCD student) (subtract \$15)

_____ Optional donation for scholarships

_____ *Discount for cash or check (subtract \$3)*

_____ **TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED**

Please make checks payable to Madison Scottish Country Dancers.

Dinner Selections

Note: Meal requests after March 12 not guaranteed.

Contact Registrar Barb Samdahl for availability.

Indicate your choice below; include names if more than one person.

Herbed Pork: _____ Panko Crusted Cod: _____

Cheese Ravioli: _____ Chicken Tenders (Child): _____

Hospitality

If seeking hospitality, indicate number of people and night(s):

_____ Friday only _____ Saturday only _____ Friday & Saturday _____ Smoking ? Y / N

Dietary considerations, pet allergies, other special needs? _____

If traveling with others who want hospitality but are not on this form, please list their names:

Health Policy

Do not attend any of the weekend activities if you feel ill. We reserve the right to amend our policy if conditions warrant it. **Full refunds are available for medical reasons.**