

Funding of National Square Dance Conventions in Victoria

The operation of National Conventions is open to any Body, Organisation or Group of persons who have successfully bid for and have been granted the right to run a National Convention by the Australian National Conventions Board Inc.

In Victoria there have been funds from previous National Conventions that have been set aside to fund future National Conventions. This commenced with the 1987 Convention Committee asking the VSDA to hold the surplus in trust for future Victorian Conventions. This was approx \$2000 and was again added to in 2000 and 2005.

Ideally the minimum sum of \$10,000:00 should be maintained in this fund if at all possible.

It should be noted that these funds do not belong to the Victorian Square Dancing Association Inc. These funds in fact do not belong to any individual body but are currently held in trust by the Victorian Square Dancing Association Inc.

It was the intention of the original trustees that once a Body, Organisation or Group of persons has been granted the right to run a National Convention in Victoria, these funds shall be made available to them.

The committees of each wind up meeting to date have unanimously endorsed this trustee situation

In the past, any interest on these funds was passed on to the Victorian Square Dancing Association to be used for promotion purposes.

In 2005 the Convention Committee changed this ruling so that any Interest would be compounded into the National Convention funds.

This was due to the fact that at the time the Victorian Square Dancing Association was not in need of funds for promotion.

The signatories and administrators to the funds held in trust are The Past Convenor, The Treasurer of the Victorian Square Dancing Association and the Treasurer of the Victorian Callers Association Inc.

The reason that they (VSDA) hold the funds in trust is that the Victorian Square Dancing Association Inc have been the only ones that have run the National Conventions in Victoria so far.

Past Convenors:- Gary Brown, Howard Cockburn, Kevin Thomas