WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA DULCIMER COLLECTIVE



<u>2025 – 1st Quarter Newsletter</u>

The Western North Carolina Dulcimer Collective is a member-supported group of players of mountain and hammered dulcimers, and those who enjoy listening to dulcimers and/or playing other traditional instruments with them. The group meets once per month to share tunes and information. Dues are \$5.00 per year payable to *WNCDC* – Mail checks to Carl Cochrane, 3239 Heritage Circle, Hendersonville, NC 28739-3553.

DULCIMER CLUB NEWS

MONTHLY TUNES:

<u>January 12th</u>: *I'm A Man You Don't Meet Every Day*. A traditional Scottish or Irish music hall song written from the point of view of a rich landowner telling the story of his day while buying drinks at a public house. According to Archie Fisher, the song is "an Irish narrative ballad that has been shortened to an Aberdeenshire drinking song".

<u>February 9th</u>: *Charming Phyllis*. From *Old English Songs from English Minstrelsie*, by Sabine Baring Gould, 1895.

<u>March 9th</u>: *Garryowen*. Garryowen means Owen's Garden and it was a pub in Limerick, Ireland. The jig has become well known as a marching tune in Irish, British and American military units. The US 7th Cavalry of General George Armstrong Custer adopted the song as their own.

	SONG REVIEW SCHEDU	JLE
January:	The Old Man and the Door Old Molly Hare Old North State	(1 st Quarter, 2004) (3 rd Quarter, 2011) (4 th Quarter, 1997)
February:	Old Spinning Wheel Old Woman The Old Woman and the Little Pig	(3 rd Quarter, 1994) (1 st Quarter, 1997) (3 rd Quarter, 2010)
March:	Omega Omie Wise On The Baltic	(2 nd Quarter, 1996) (3 rd Quarter, 2015) (4 th Quarter, 1996)

I'm A Man You Don't Meet Every Day

 Oh, my name is Jock Stewart, I'm a canny gaun man
 And a roving young fellow I've been.
 So be easy and free

when you're drinkin' with me I'm a man you don't meet every day.

2. I have acres of land, I have men at command,I have always a shilling to spare.So be easy and free when you're drinkin' with meI'm a man you don't meet every day.

3. So come fill up your glasses of brandy and wineWhatever it costs, I will pay.So be easy and free when you're drinkin' with meI'm a man you don't meet every day.

4. Well, I took out my gun, With my dog I did shoot,All down in the county Kildare.So be easy and free when you're drinkin' with me I'm a man you don't meet every day.

 So come fill up your glasses of brandy and wine
 Whatever it costs, I will pay.
 So be easy and free when you're drinkin' with me
 I'm a man you don't meet every day.

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Charming Phyllis

 Charming Phyllis, fair as lillies, But her will is to distain.
 This dear creature's beauteous features Give me pleasure mixed with pain; Lips like cherries, black as berries, Are the eyes of Phyllis fair; Slender waisted, snow-white breasted None with Phyllis can compare.

2. Breath like roses June discloses, Sweet as posies, fragrant smell; Brisk and airy like a fairy, Charms that Nature doth excel. Ever pleasing, never teasing, Yet she's freezing, cold as snow, To her lover, who to move her Melting language does bestow.

3. Lovely jewel, be not cruel, Quench my fuel, see me burn, See me languish, ease my anguish, Turn O! lovely charmer turn. Grant your favour and I ever Will endeavour to adore; I'll caress thee, and will bless thee With true love for evermore.

Source: Sabine Baring Gould, 1895, Old English Songs from English Minstrelsie. Taken from the selection of the eight-volume work by Baring Gould of the same name, reprinted by Llanerch Publishers

Garryowen

 Let Bacchus's sons be not dismayed, But join with me each jovial blade, Come booze and sing and lend your aid, To help me with the chorus:

"Chorus"

Instead of spa we'll drink down ale And pay the reckoning on the nail, For debt no man shall go to jail From Garry Owen in glory.

 We are the boys who take delight In smashing Limerick lamps at night, And through the street like sportsters fight, Tearing all before us.

Chorus

 We'll break windows, we'll break doors,
 The watch knock down by threes and fours,
 Then let the doctors work their cures,
 And tinker up our bruises,

Chorus

4. We'll beat the bailiffs out of fun, We'll make the mayor and sheriffs run, We are the boys no man dare dun, If he regards a whole skin.

Chorus

 Our hearts so stout have got us fame, For soon 'tis known from whence we came, Where're we go they dread the name,

Of Garry Owen in glory.

Chorus

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⇒ JANUARY '25 ⇐ I'm A Man You Don't Meet Every Day

Mountain Dulcimer: D-A-dd and D-A-AA

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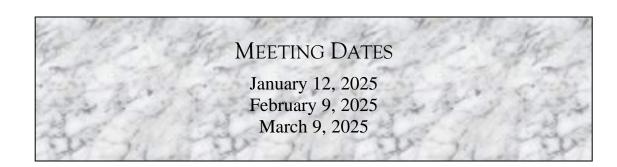
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MEETING LOCATION/TIME

Second Sunday of each month from 2:30-5:00 at The Folk Art Center Upstairs Gallery, Blue Ridge Parkway, Asheville

The Folk Art Center is located on the Blue Ridge Parkway at Milepost 382, about 1/2 mile North of US 70, just East of Asheville. Take I-40 Exit 55 to Highway 70, then left to the Parkway, or take I-240 Exit 7 and go East on Highway 70 to the Parkway. The Club meets in the upstairs gallery, across from the top of the ramp as you enter the Folk Art Center.

Handicapped Access is available: From Highway 70, go West from the Parkway just past the VA Medical Center to Riceville Road. Go to the Folk Art Center Service Entrance. A ramp leads to a second floor entrance next to where we set up.