



I come from a very musical family and started dancing at 5 years of age under the influence of my mother who was a Piano teacher and my father who was a piper and dance teacher best known for devising the dance Angus MacLeod. I qualified as a teacher of Scottish Country Dance in 1993 and I hope that this has enabled me to inspire a love of music and dance in others.

I have taught regular branch classes in the north of England and workshops around the UK and also at RSCDS Schools in St Andrews, Pitlochry, New Zealand and TAC. I have also been very fortunate to receive invitations to teach around the world in such diverse locations as Russia, USA, Canada and across Europe. In addition to teaching, I am a dance deviser and composer of Scottish music and have published my own book of dances as well as providing dances for other publications. My music has been recorded by a number of Scottish dance bands including my own.

In the “real world” I am a building services engineer and spend my time travelling around the UK & Europe backing up a sales team and solving problems for my company. I also occasionally travel to the Middle East and Australia giving technical seminars.

I enjoy promoting good technique and derive a great deal of satisfaction from seeing dances performed to a high standard. My classes seek to help all abilities of dancer to achieve their own personal best whilst ensuring that they have fun! Scottish dance has been an important part of my life since childhood and I now enjoy seeing my own children building the friendships that are such an important part of the social aspect of dance. Having been made so very welcome in Canada and the USA in recent years, particularly on the East coast, I am especially looking forward to teaching at Capital weekend and seeing many friends again.