

## Basic Scottish Country Dance Teaching Skills Course

On the weekend of November 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> 2016, Mervyn Short ran a Basic Teaching Skills Course to help a group of us lead classes and MC dances.

Fifteen dancers participated in the weekend which was a resounding success. It was quite demanding and we had to work very hard explaining how to do various steps and formations and teaching dances to our fellow participants as if they were beginners. Mervyn was extremely caring and thoughtful, helping us through all the tasks offering encouragement and support.



We ended the weekend full of enthusiasm, going to our various clubs full of confidence to go further (or **to put it all into practice**). Two members of the course are possibly going on to do the teacher's full certificate with the RSCDS.



On behalf of all those on the course I should like to thank Brighton Branch for its generosity in funding this event.

Fran Bramham, November 2016