What’s in a Name? Communication!!

When we talk to other callers about choreography or mentor other callers, they need to know what we mean. The terms for certain FASRs have been changed. This change was a result of a request to the Caller-Coach Committee to review the naming of and acronyms for our FASR set-ups. A committee of three Accredited Caller-Coaches reviewed the request and recommended the following changes.

FASR Naming
- P = Partner
- C = Corner
- O = Opposite
- R = Right Hand Lady
- PL = Partner Line
- CL = Corner Line
- OL = Opposite Line
- RL = Right Hand Lady Line
- PLO = Partner Line Out of Sequence
- CLO = Corner Line Out of Sequence
- OLO = Opposite Lady Line Out of Sequence
- RLO = Right Hand Lady Line Out of Sequence

The names of following FASRs have been changed:
- a. Change Zero Line (ZL) to Partner Line (PL).
- b. Change Zero Box (ZB) to Corner Box (CB).
- c. Change Zero Box Out of Sequence (ZBOS) to Corner Box Out (CBO).
- d. Change Across the Street Box (XB) to Right Hand Lady Box Out of Sequence (RBO).
- e. Establish Across the Street Box + R & L Thru as Right Hand Lady Box (RB)
- f. Change Lead To The Right Box (LRB) to "Lead Right Box" which would match the acronym.

One reason for some of the changes was that if a Zero Line was set up and the caller called a Right and Left Thru, it was no longer a Zero Line. The same reasoning applied to a Zero Box. Also, this change eliminates the confusion between Zero Box – where you can correctly call Allemande Left and 0 (zero) box which would refer to standard facing couples.

0 (zero) is the current designation for the standard /normal boy-girl arrangement for all of the formations.

These changes were approved for inclusion in documents which were created and maintained by the Caller Training Committee, by vote of the Committee. Those documents are in the process of being updated and callers will be hearing and seeing the new designations more and more as we get used to them. So remember, the old 1P2P line which changed to a Zero Line is now changed to a Partner Line.

The Caller-Coach Committee has been using the updated terminology, and any documents produced by that Committee will also reflect these changes.