"From the beginning..... it was my intention to give our young people the possibility of a meaningful and happy activity." In 1970 young people met themselves for the first folklore training. In the following years Folklore- and other events were visited and organized by the Folklore Group of Grosshöflein. Our performances at home or abroad were done with joy and enthusiasm.

The Folklore Group of Grosshöflein consists of 3 different groups with overall 50 dancers. Our youngest dancers between 3 and 10 years old call themselves *lions of the dance*. Our *core group* members are aged from 12 to 50 years. And last but not least we have an "*Oldie*" group were most dancers are about 50 years.

We are very proud being able to represent our village and our country. And it shows in our performances and behaviour.



Großhöflein exist for more than 850 years. The village is located near to our county capital of Burgenland, Eisenstadt. Our village belonged to Hungary till 1921 and was named Nagyhöflány. The hungarian influence can still be found in our traditional customes.

Grosshöflein is also well known for its excellent wines. Prince of Esterházy had a big impact on the village's development (spa, hunting lodge). Former romanic church was enlarged during gothic age, adapted in the 17th century and enlarged by an ails in 1992. Further sights are St. Anton-chapel (1730), city hall (1675, "Simon-Despot-house"), "Pleiniger-house" (17th century), St. Radegundis-chapel and a Pranger (1714).

Grosshöflein has 1,800 residents and farm appr. ca. 1,000 ha land.

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## Folklore from Austria "dancing unites people"



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Since its founding in 1970 our group has been standing for keeping the tradition of Burgenland alive.



We do a lot of festivals like Thanksgiving, "Martinilob'n and other dancing performances and entertain our audience with joy and happiness.

"small start for getting a champion"

Beside of our core group we have been dancing with small children for 10 years. We train them on one hand side traditional and also modern dances and on the other hand side we teach them social skills.



All groups together we do have about 50 members who love to dance and who love to show Austrian tradition at home or abroad. Of course a lot of friendships have bees formed even cross borders ones.

Our musicians are our most important support at trainings and performances.









As they still love to dance some of our founders decided in 2000 to form a 3rd dancing group called "Oldies". They come together on a regular base for training and for some official performances.

Our dancing program varies from traditional local dances, to international and sometimes modern dances.

