

Strictly **FUN** Dancing

Newsletter

Spring 2013

G, day to everyone out there,

A couple of things for you ladies and gentlemen, just a couple of things.

No Classes on Thursday 21st February 2013

Please note that there will not be a class running on Thursday 21 February. Amazingly, for one for one reason or another we are all otherwise engaged. Normal service will resume the following week on Thursday 28 February.

Copellia

Some of you are already aware that my absence is due to my agreeing to help out in playing the part of a village peasant in a production of Copellia organised by SallyAnne Hodge of the Dulwich Ballet School; some of you even joked of coming to see it... Well if anyone did want to come along on the Thursday night the tickets are £12 for adults and £6 for children. If anyone is genuinely interested or indeed just wants to have a bigger laugh at my expense (yes, even more than normal) then please let us know as soon as possible and I will sort out the details and tickets. And, although I am not sure what time the show finishes would

imagine that, particularly as the cast is mainly children, there will be plenty of time for drinks in the local pub afterwards..

Social Evening

Having given the subject a great deal of thought and having listened to many of your views as to why we are where we are, the common thread that runs throughout is that, for various reasons, there is a general lack of confidence in peoples' ability, which, broadly speaking invariably boils down to a lack of practise.

Naturally, I also look inward at what and how I teach and question as to whether or not I structure the classes correctly. Some of you may have noticed a subtle change in what I have been teaching recently in that I have concentrated on particular dances, repeating steps many times with the view that the information will go in if we do it enough times.

It has also been suggested that towards the end of term, at Shirley, instead of teaching we should run a structured practise session whereby you have the opportunity to rehearse what you have been learning. So, on **Thursday 21 March 2013** we are going to try it. We are going to run the practise for two hours from 7.30pm with teachers on hand to assist. Even if you do not come with a partner I am sure we can all mix and match so that everyone gets a fair crack of the whip.

Please note that the evening is open to Strictly Fun Dancing associated people be it you come to us for classes or private lessons.

Time: 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Price: £7 per person

Help yourself to Tea and Coffee.

The Beginners Class will not be affected and will run its last week before the end of term as normal. Mind you, you could of course stay on and reinforce what you've learnt.

Argentine Tango

FYI, a new event is due to start at Grafton on Friday evenings. Teacher Federico will be holding tango classes from 8.30pm running into a Milonga till late. A new venture, more details to follow, watch this space.

Term Times

Due to the lack of time and the fact that I must issue this newsletter out to you today the term start and finish times will follow shortly.

Best regards

Paul and Team