

Strictly **FUN** Dancing

Newsletter

July 2012

Hello to one and all

I cannot believe the pace at which life is moving at the moment. If I could just step off this roller coaster ride for a day or so it might all feel a little more manageable. This is one summer break that I welcome with both arms fully extended, particularly as we prepare for the new edition to the family arriving in late August. All we need now is a bit of sunshine, yay!

Beginners Level 2

Thank you for working with us this term, I am pleased to say that the Beginners level 2 is working well, feedback is good, and we have every intention of continuing to run it provided both Carolyn and myself are there and sufficient numbers of people are in attendance to make it financially viable. On reflection I think its success is due to a number of reasons, not least Carolyn's teaching ability and personality, a smaller class sizes mean it's easier to learn and for some the opportunity to reminisce and experience how it was when we first started six years ago.... whatever the reasons are it works and that's great, Thank you.

Beginners class

We have the unprecedented situation where we have 4, sometimes 5 gentlemen in the class without ladies. I have never ever known this ever in all my days of running or assisting in classes. So where are the ladies I ask myself? Maybe someone could put the word out?

Forum

This is only a suggestion, consideration; a thought put out and shared with those of you that may already have the experience and knowledge in order to point me in the right direction, or advise me not to bother if my suggestion is stark raving bonkers? (I dare say there may be a few people that think that anyway!).

I would like to set up a system whereby someone who wants to go to an event, or a dance or something else even, could email in with a view to going and see if anyone else interested? I don't know if it's something worth doing but am sure someone with the skills could advise me accordingly. Whatever format it takes it must be simple and manageable. Presumably there must be a registration issue regarding data protection?

Term Times / Holiday Periods - Summer

Shirley Methodist - Thursday Evenings

**All Classes finish on Thursday 19 July 2012 and resume on
Thursday 6 September 2012**

Grafton Dance Centre

Summer Ball

Thank you for supporting us on the night in question and for the assistance received from people who helped in setting up the day before and on the morning of the event itself. I think it worked well and hope you enjoyed yourselves. The debate is still out as to what we do at Christmas, as where we hold SFD's party and do we keep it separate from everyone else. I personally like the idea of keeping it separate so that you aren't made to feel that you are losing your party, but, but. The debate (in my head) is sure to continue. I would be happy to hear your views on the subject.

Classes and dancing during the summer and beyond

Some have asked as to what they are to do over the next few weeks without our Thursday nights? Well you do have the option of coming over to Grafton on a Monday and or Wednesday night. It starts at 8.30pm includes some general dancing, 45 min instruction and more general dancing. We currently run four classes, Advanced, Intermediate, Improvers and Beginners. In October a separate Beginners class is due to get going, starting at 7.30pm on a Monday.

Saturday Social Night with Instruction

This is a new venture. We have held two already and the format seems to work. In a nutshell the lesson, which involves a little bit of choreography, nothing too heavy, runs from 8pm to 8.30pm after which the social dancing goes on until 11pm. The cost is £10 per person or £8 per person if you just want to come in to dance from 8.30pm. This event will run every fourth Saturday of the month.... No need to book just turn up.

So out to the ether my request for information goes, can anyone provide me with some answers?

**So that all for now, see you when we see you, have a good
Summer and see you next term.**

Paul and Team