

# Strictly **FUN** Dancing

## Newsletter

Summer 2018

Hello to one and all

Two things to mention, firstly, it has been a great term and well done to you all for putting in the effort, it is definitely paying off! Secondly, the newsletter is a little late going out this time due to me constantly adding to it just as it was ready to issue, hence the delay; better late than never though!

### **Thelma Mackey**

Most of you know Thelma; she usually attends the Improver Class at 7.30pm and has been a regular attendee for some time now. Unfortunately, whilst doing a spot of gardening Thelma slipped on wet grass and broke her ankle and as a result (as I understand it) she now has two additional metal plates holding it all together. We are expecting a call from her sister at some point notifying us of when she's out of hospital but, as of yet, we've not heard anything. However, when she is, we will sort a little something for her. In the meantime Thelma, we send you our love and wish you the speediest of recoveries.

### **GDPR**

Thank you for having replied 'Yes to Contact'. Having waded through your replies and deleted from the mailing list, those who did not respond, I think I have it right and the correct people are in receipt of

this Newsletter. Of course, there is the risk that I've got it wrong and if I have, please do let me know and I can amend as necessary.

## **Ceilidh**

Thank you for coming to the Ceilidh. Sorry I didn't get a chance to come round and see you all but even with assistance, I needed to oversee too many things. However, from what I saw, you appeared to enjoy yourselves and I was pleased to see the floor was always busy. I think the only issue that needs a mention was the finishing time, where I had advertised it as 11pm but the band went onto 11.30pm. What can I say other than 'Sorry bout that!'

## **Blue Plaque - I would appreciate your assistance**

Southwark Heritage Association runs a scheme to preserve and recognise buildings, historical events and people who have contributed to the Southwark area. As many of you are aware by now the Grafton was run for many years by a couple called Bob Burgess and Doreen Freeman, icons of the ballroom dance world. Bob passed in 1998 but Doreen is still with us and now lives in Scotland. Each year nominations are submitted to the heritage association which, if approved by the committee, are put forward for a public vote. If all goes to plan and our application is accepted I will be asking you for your support, either by getting you to vote for it online or by submitting your name etc in a book which I can then present to the committee. Please watch this space for further details!

## **Summer Break - Start/Finish Dates**

The last class before summer break was held on Thursday 12 July 2018.

We will be closed for 7 weeks.

**All classes resume on Thursday 6 September 2018.**

## Dancing Throughout the Summer

Grafton Dance Centre  
7 Village Way  
Dulwich Village  
SE21 7AW

[www.graftondancecentre.co.uk](http://www.graftondancecentre.co.uk)

### **Grafton Weekday Classes**

Throughout the summer we continue to run classes on both Monday and Wednesday evenings. There are three ability levels catered for, namely, Improver, Intermediate and Advanced. Each level has its own routine which builds up over a three week period - We have just started week 1 (Monday 16 July 2018).

Doors open at 8.30pm. There is practise for approximately half an hour before the classes take place, tea break and finish off at 10.30pm. Price is £10 per person or £18 per person (payable on the Monday) if you attend both nights in the same week.

### **Grafton Saturday Socials**

As you may, or may not, be aware there is a social dance held at the Studio in Dulwich every Saturday evening. However, there is one week in particular where the team from Shirley attend, which in turn draws others in too, making for a very enjoyable evening.

The next two dates in the dairy are:

**Saturday 21 July and Saturday 18 August 2018.**

Bring a bottle (we do not have a licence) and of course, your dancing shoes. Tea, coffee and soft drinks are available. Doors open at 8pm, Last waltz at 11pm, price £10 per person.

Hope to see you soon

Warmest of regards with the warmest of temperatures..

Paul and Team