



DanceBasics

CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER



Christmas Dance

Join us for some festive fun at our Christmas dance on **Friday 18th December** at the **Crosville Club in Crewe**. Dancing will be from 8pm until 11.00pm. Under 16's are very welcome. Tickets are £4 in advance or £5 on the night.

Please bring some **nibbles for your table** that you can share with your friends. Once again we offer the opportunity to **dress up to the nines!!**

For your diary, future dance dates are;

- **Fri 27th Nov 2009**
- **Fri 18th Dec 2009**
- **Fri 29th Jan 2010**
- **Fri 26th Feb 2010**
- **Fri 26th Mar 2010**
- **Fri 30th Apr 2010**
- **Fri 28th May 2010**
- **Fri 25th Jun 2010**
- **Fri 30th Jul 2010**
- **Fri 20th Aug 2010**
- **Fri 24th Sep 2010**
- **Fri 29th Oct 2010**
- **Fri 26th Nov 2010**
- **Fri 17th Dec 2010**

Christmas Break

Our Christmas break will be from **Sun 20th Dec** through to **Sun 4th Jan**. All classes will start from Mon 5th January following the new 2010 class structure as shown above.

We will be taking **private lessons** on Bank Holiday Monday 28th Dec and Sat 2nd Jan for those who need their dancing fix!! **Please ask if interested.**

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2010 Class Structure

(from Mon 4th January 2010)

Mondays (St Mary's Church Hall – Wistaston)

- 7:30-8:15pm – Adult Beginners class
- 8:15-9:00pm – Adult Improvers class
- 9:00-10:00pm – Practice Session

Wednesdays (St Mary's Church Hall)

- 5:30-6:15pm – children BEGINNERS 6+ years
- 6:15-7:00pm – children IMPROVERS

Wednesdays (Alsager Civic Hall)

- 7:30-8:15pm – **NEW ADULT ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS CLASS (starts 20th Jan 2010)**
- 8:15-9:00pm – Adult Improvers class

Thursdays (St Mary's Church Hall)

- 7:30-8:15pm – **NEW ADULT ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS CLASS (starts 14th Jan 2010)**
- 8:15-9:00pm – Adult Improvers class
- 9:00-10:00pm – Practice Session

Saturdays (St Mary's Church Hall)

- 10:00-10:45am – Children BEGINNERS
- 10:45-11:30am – Children's Advanced Class

Private lessons by appointment

Medal Day – Sat 12th December

Our next medal exam day will take place on Saturday 12th December at St Mary's Church Hall. We will have a children's lesson/practice session from 10am to 11am (£3 per child) and then start with the Uni-Ted and Intro 1's immediately afterwards (first test approximately 11.30am).

The exams will then go in grade order throughout the morning and will finish early afternoon. Please let us have your medal forms back, even if you do not wish to enter. The certificates and medals will be presented at the Social Dance on January 29th or during the lesson on Wed Feb 3rd.

Medallist Competitions for 2010

Congratulations to all that competed at the recent Northern UKA medallist competition. Special thanks go to Angie, Steve, Holly and Emma for your help in leading everyone – we all worked very hard!! Dates for next year are; Mar 14th (Blackpool) and June 20th (National).

Argentine Tango Evenings

We hope these evenings will cater for both beginner and improver. The first part of the evening will include tuition on 2 variations – one basic, one advanced - with the remainder of the evening free for dancing and practice!!

They are held on the last Tuesday of the month at Wistaston Memorial Hall, from 7pm to 8.30pm (may extend if needed). £6.50 per person.

- ⇒ **Tues 26th Jan 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 23rd Feb 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 23rd Mar 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 25th May 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 22nd Jun 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 27th Jul 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 28th Sep 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 26th Oct 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 23rd Nov 2010**
- ⇒ **Tues 7th Dec 2010**

Please let us know if you are interested in attending.

Children's Class Cancellation

There will be NO CHILDREN'S CLASS on **Wed 9th Dec** due to hall unavailability.

Children's Christmas Party

The children's Christmas Party will be on **Wed 16th December** from 5.30 to 7pm at St Mary's Church Hall.



Merging of Children's Sat morning Class – Dec 19th (only)

The children's class on Sat 19th December will be from **10am to 11am** for all levels. This will give us chance to give out any remaining medal results before the Christmas break!

Facebook

We are now on Facebook!! Please have a look on-line at our Dancebasics 'group' page on Facebook to see upcoming events, up-to-date news and share your photos and videos.

Medallist Competition Photographs

If you are not on Facebook and went to the recent Medallist competition, then have a look at Andy's Photography Website yourdancephotos.co.uk there are some absolutely beautiful images from the day!! You'll be spoilt for choice!

No Price Increase! Yet!

Our prices will remain the same for at least the early part of 2010!! Adult classes will remain at £4 per person, children's classes £3 per child.

Nantwich Competition – Sunday Dec 27th

The more competitive of you may be interested in an 'open' competition at Nantwich Civic Hall on Sunday 27th December. We have a copy of the programme that you can have a look at if you are interested, alternatively try www.the2richards.com for more information.

It is **free entry** for juveniles and juniors, but spectators and adult competitors are charged £9.50 (which is still far lower than usual entrance prices!). It is quite different from a medallist competition so if you have never been to an 'open' competition, please come and ask advice first!!

Strictly Come Dancing Blackpool Weekend

This was undoubtedly one of the highlights of 2009. Everybody who went last year has already booked again for this year!! It is organised by Donaheys Dance School and is held on 19th/20th/21st March 2010 at the Norbreck Castle Hotel, Blackpool.

It includes workshops and cabarets (and general mingling with) Darren Bennett, Lilia Kopylova, Matthew & Nicole Cutler, Warren & Kristi Boyce (reigning UK professional ballroom champions) and the Swing Extreme Team. The price also includes a Sat night black tie ball, dancing to a 15 piece big band

It is priced at **£299 per person** for 3 days, 2 nights Dinner, Bed & Breakfast if booked online before **31st December 2009**. (£329 after this date). To book, fill in the booking form at www.weekendwiththestars.co.uk and make sure you enter 'dancebasics' to ensure we are all seated together!

Champions of Tomorrow – Saturday 9th January 2010 Blackpool Wintergardens

We'd just like to wish everyone **THE VERY BEST OF LUCK** for the upcoming champions of tomorrow event at Blackpool Wintergardens. It is the national championships for all the lower competitive grades and dancers from all over the Country (and abroad) travel to the Empress Ballroom to compete for a much coveted place in the final.

At the time of print, we still have a couple of tickets left. If anyone would like to go, please ask immediately! They are £20 per person.

Manchester Ball of the Year 2010

2 Spare Tickets

We have a couple of spare tickets for this very special event. It is on Saturday 16th January at The Longfield Suite, Prestwich, Manchester. Reception 6.15pm, Dinner 6.45pm, Carriages 12.30am. Black tie preferred. The evening includes a 3 course meal, dancing to a live band (Ross Mitchell, His Band and Singers), cabaret in the form of the City of Manchester Ballroom & Latin Championships. Tickets are £42 per person – please let us know as soon as possible whether you would like them.

*Dear
Dancers,*

*Merry Christmas and
a Happy New Year to
you all!*

Keeeeeep dancing!!

*Mark, Shannah &
Jamie xxx*

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