

# DANCEZING NEWS



## 'Thank You' for your comments 😊

Thank you so very much to those of you who kindly submitted comments about line dancing. They made great reading and I have added them all to the website. You can read them here:

<http://dancezing.co.uk/2016/05/10/testimonials/>

The names of everyone who submitted comments were entered into a draw. Well done to Jacqueline Cuell (Thursday morning class) who won two free dance classes!

She wrote:

*"Music and dance have been in my family – my father was a brilliant musician & he won many awards but tragically died at a very early age (41). I have danced in troupes for jobs around the world. I LOVE to dance. Whenever I feel down, music helps and it expresses freedom. It makes me feel young again and above all it helps keep me fit and healthy. You also make new friends. I feel so happy to have found Nicky's class. If you haven't danced you should try it. It's great and I LOVE it"*



Jacqueline - third from the left

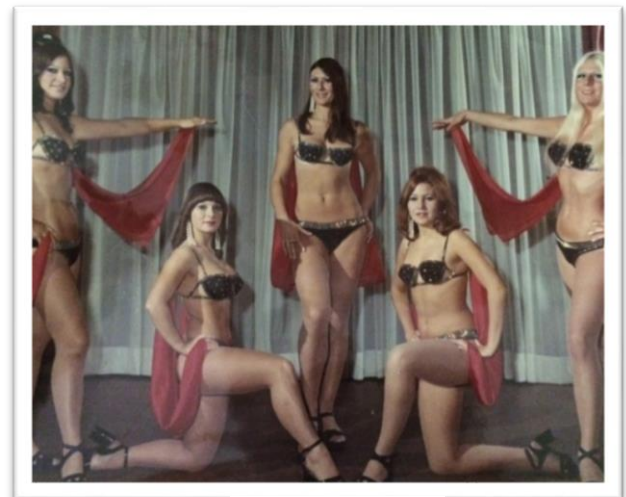
Our dance classes are not just about dancing but about socialising and making friends too. It's a great pleasure for me to get to know you and to hear about the interesting things that you do or the fascinating places that you visit, the amazing talents you have and to hear about your hobbies. This month, we have a few interesting facts about our prize draw winner.

## Interesting facts about ..... Jacqueline Cuell

Jacqueline is a regular line dancer at our Thursday morning class.

After leaving secretarial college Jacqueline yearned for an adventure. She applied to an advert in 'The Stage' magazine and before she knew it she was training to be in a dance troupe. For 2 years they danced in night clubs across Italy. She spent her 21<sup>st</sup> birthday in Florence! She learned to speak fluent Italian which she put to good use later in life when she worked as a travel representative in Italy.

She also danced in clubs in Gibraltar & Spain and made an appearance on 'Top of the Pops'



Jacqueline - centre

Line Dancers are well known for **raising funds for charity** & in June & July two of our dancers are doing just that. Please let me know if you'd like further details of how to sponsor them. We wish them all the best!

Caroline Reynolds is cycling from London to Brighton. She says:

*"On the morning of Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June, a friend and I will be leaving the buzz of London behind as we cycle 54 miles to Brighton as participants in the British Heart Foundations legendary bike ride.*

*I have chosen to support the British Heart foundation because I believe in their pioneering research. They are currently focusing on research that will improve the lives of babies born with heart defects, find the genes that cause inherited heart conditions and one day find a cure for heart failure and heart disease. My fellow dancers from the Monday night line dancing class have very generously sponsored me. If you would like to sponsor me please let Nicky know. Thank you"*



Gill Righton is walking 20miles at night for St Catherine's Hospice. She says: *"St. Catherine's provides all the hospice care in the E Surrey area for people at home as well as within the Hospice. We also cover large areas of W Sussex & parts of E Sussex. I work for St Catherine's as a Community Nurse Specialist supporting people at home, and am fundraising by taking part in our 20mile Midnight Walk on Saturday 2nd July so we can continue our vital work. St Catherine's gets only 30% of funds from the NHS & relies on public support for the rest, so if anyone would like to help it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!"*

You can help Gill Righton raise money for this great cause by donating directly to her fundraising page - [https://www.justgiving.com/Gill-Righton?utm\\_source=Sharethis&utm\\_medium=fundraisingpage&utm\\_content=Gill-](https://www.justgiving.com/Gill-Righton?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraisingpage&utm_content=Gill-)

## Vanda, we miss you

Our line dance family is feeling the loss of a very special person. Vanda joined our Friday night class many years ago with her 'partner in crime' – June. Vanda was also a regular at our social nights – the photograph shows her laughing and dancing with three of her many friends – Margaret, June & John.

Vanda was beautiful, fun and truly inspirational. We will miss her so very much and she will always be in our thoughts, especially when we are dancing. We are lucky to have met her and to have laughed and danced with her. We have such fond memories of our dear friend Vanda that we will treasure xx



DON'T BE SAD  
 BECAUSE YOU'RE SAYING GOODBYE,  
 YOU SHOULD BE HAPPY  
 BECAUSE YOU HAVE MEMORIES  
 WITH THEM THAT YOU'LL CHERISH  
 FOREVER.



Our next **Social Night** is on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June at Caterham Community Centre. Doors open at 7.15pm with dancing to your requests from 7.30pm 'til 10.30pm

The theme is 'tropical' so dig out your Hawaiian shirt or grass skirt!

Bring your own drinks and nibbles. Feel free to reserve a table – just let me know before the event.

If you haven't been to one of our social nights before, please do come along. We will be dancing to everyone's requests and I try to organise the programme so that everyone gets the chance to dance

most of the evening (if they want!) It's a great way to practise the dances that you have learned, to watch other dances and to spend time with your friends and make new ones ☺ Hope to see you there!

We will be holding a raffle to raise funds for 'Ovacome' – a charity that has been supporting women affected by ovarian cancer and their families since 1996.



I am delighted that so many of you responded to my enquiry about a **line dance weekend break**. A whole weekend of fun, dancing, laughing, sight-seeing & socialising in February 2017.

I have been busy making plans for this to go ahead and will be sending out full details very soon so watch this space.....

## New Dances This Month

Our new beginners had fun learning '**Cowboy Strut**', introducing 'heel fans', 'heel struts' & turning jazz boxes. They were so good, we danced to Jive Bunny on the first teach!

Our 'early birds' on Monday and Wednesday have learned '**Bring on the Good Times**' – an upbeat, nifty little Country number and '**Feels Like I'm In Love**' taking us back to 1980!

The later class on Monday and Wednesday have learned '**Solo Amor**' – a dance with two sections A & B – which makes it interesting ☺

Our Thursday beginners have learned '**Until the Dawn**' – the lovely cha cha that all classes are enjoying to the track 'Marvin Gaye' by Charlie Puth and the improvers have learned '**Skinny Genes**' and '**In the Basement**'

Our intermediate class on Friday have learned '**Corazon Diamante**' – a lovely Latin feel to a fab track by the one & only 'Enrique' – we are hoping he will come to perform 'live' for us soon ;) Our other new dance is '**Digital Age**' – it's a one wall dance with 2 sections, the rhythm changes so you get two dances for the price of one. The dance has a section of 'armology' – I'm very impressed that you've embraced this. I love this dance and hope that you will too! I also love the words to the song – do take time to have a listen.

All the dances can be found on the website so do check them out. For a shortcut you can put the name of the dance in the 'search' box and it will come up ☺

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Classes return to normal timetable

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Summer Social Night

**JULY**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> Class closed

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Final daytime class before summer closure

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Final evening class before summer closure

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> Class closed

**AUGUST** All classes closed



**Dance floor etiquette – a little reminder**

Please remember not to walk across the dance floor when a dance is in progress. If you wish to join a dance after it has started, please walk around the edge carefully and join the end of a line where / if there is space.



If you need to leave the dance floor while a dance is in progress, please leave by the most direct route at an appropriate time that will cause the least disruption to others.

It is not safe to walk across the dance floor while other people are dancing.

*Why didn't the skeleton dance at the disco?  
He had no body to dance with!*



**Tell Us Your News**

If you have an interesting hobby or talent, a great story, a delicious recipe or you're fundraising or you would like to include something else in our newsletter please let me know. How about letting us know which dance is your favourite or sharing your holiday pics with us?

I hope you all enjoyed your May bank holiday weekend and that you had a chance to rest and relax. I've had a lovely week, spending time with my family, so now I'm looking forward to coming back to dancing for a rest! I've got some great new dances lined up for you all 😊

Keep Dancezing!

Nicky x

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