Newsletter

DANCEZING NEWS



June 2016

Summer Social Night

Thank you to everyone who came along to our 'tropical' themed social night. It was lovely to see so many of you there, dancing and enjoying yourselves. The colourful clothes, grass skirts & Steve's authentic Hawaiian shirt all looked wonderful. You created a fantastic atmosphere. Thanks to your kind generosity, the raffle raised £116 for the charity Ovacome!

We received requests for over 50 different dances! We didn't quite have enough time (or energy!), to dance them all but we tried to include all your favourites. The most requested dances were 'Those Russians' (to 'Rasputin' by Boney M), 'Nothing Compares', 'Solo Amor', 'Something in the Water', 'Tell the World' & 'The Bite'. You can see more photos of the event & see a list of all the dances on our website

http://dancezing.co.uk/2016/06/26/line-dance-social-night-summer-2016/



Our next social night will be on Saturday 22nd October ©

Dancer – Gill Peachey

Gill dances with us regularly on Wednesdays and Fridays. She is a very interesting and knowledgeable person & I have learned many fascinating facts from her. As well as dancing, Gill has many other talents – photography being just one. Luckily for us, she has agreed to share a few of her photos with us ©

No-one was more surprised than me when I took up line dancing! It just wasn't a very 'Gill' thing to do as my other interests are photography and natural history. But variety is the spice of life & it's always good to have new challenges, so I decided to have a go. I soon discovered that dancing is a great way to exercise & couldn't believe how much fun you could have at the same time! When my original group folded, we were so pleased to find Nicky's classes - it was like coming home. I now dance twice a week & love it.





When I'm not dancing, you may find me wandering over the downs with binoculars and clipboard. Don't worry, I'm not up to anything sinister, just doing the weekly butterfly count on Farthing Downs & Happy Valley. And if you've been to any of the events I've run for the Friends of Farthing Downs you might know me as 'The Moth Lady' -I'm on a mission to prove that not all moths are small, brown & boring!

My interest in photography is far-reaching and I never know what's going to catch my eye next. Photographing insects is a particular passion, albeit a challenging one as the little blighters won't stay still! I've also become obsessed with trying to capture a sense of movement in a still image and visit the outdoor skating rinks over the festive period every year to photograph the skaters (no, I don't venture onto the ice myself). Perhaps I ought to try similar shots of dancers feet in Nicky's classes? Trouble is, I wouldn't be able to join in the dance myself. Gosh, that means that dancing is more important than photography -I really have been bitten by the bug!!!



Dances

Don't forget that the dances on Monday & Wednesday, (improver / intermediate classes), are the same so if you can't make one you are welcome to come to the other as an alternative. Of course, you're also welcome to come to both if you would like some extra practise or exercise!

This month our beginners have learnt 'Little Red Book', introducing a 'cross shuffle' to the classic track by the Drifters and 'Do Little Do' with a new pattern of steps 'side, together, forward shuffle, side, together, back shuffle' to an upbeat music track by Flo Rida.

Our 'early birds' on Monday and Wednesday have learned '**Pot of Gold**' – a classic line dance choreographed nearly 20 years ago and still as popular as ever! They have also been practising '**Feels Like I'm In Love**'

The later class on Monday and Wednesday have learned '**The Queen'** – a fab dance choreographed to an unusual music track – 'Tilted' by Christine & The Queens. I think it's growing on them ;) They have also learned '**So Just Dance Dance Dance!**' – a really fun dance to the Justin Timberlake track – 'Can't Stop the Feeling' which was no. 1 in the charts.

Our intermediate class on Friday have learned '**Girls Like**' – a dance with some interesting footwork to the track by Tiny Tempah ft Zara Larsson. It's a good challenge & upbeat! They have also learned '**So Just Dance Dance Dance!**'

All the dances can be found on the website, including step sheets and tutorial videos. You can use the search facility on the website by typing in the dance name or visit the 'Dances' page

Beginner Dances: http://dancezing.co.uk/beginner/

Improver Dances: <u>http://dancezing.co.uk/improver/</u>

Intermediate Dances: <u>http://dancezing.co.uk/intermediate/</u>



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'm looking out for someone for next month's 'dancer feature' ;)

Which dance does a chicken refuse to do?



The foxtrot!

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As so many of you showed an interest in a line dance weekend break I have booked the Rockingham Forest Hotel for next February! I have sent out details, booking forms and terms & conditions via email, however, if anyone needs printed copies please let me know.

I'm delighted that within just a week, 50% of the available spaces have been booked © If you would like to come along, please let me have your deposit & booking form by 22nd July. Thank you.

Time seems to be flying by! We only have a few more classes before we break for August. Let's make the most of it and really dance our socks off ;) I am happy to dance your requests in class, so let me know your favourites!

Keep Dancezing!



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