DANCEZING NEWS



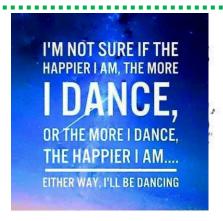


2019 - What a fabulous Dancezing Year it's been!

We have enjoyed lots of lovely dancing this year – with dance classes every day of the week, some evening, some daytime and for all levels, there's something for everyone © Thanks to Carmen we have had cover for classes when I am away too. We have held a number of social nights throughout the year and two line dance weekend breaks as well as demonstrations at local groups and the Caterham Festival! Phew!

We wish you a restful Christmas break – time to put your feet up and re-charge your batteries ready for lots of fabulous dancing in 2020! Classes open from 6th January & our first social of the year is on 18th January. Tickets will be on sale at classes ©

Looking forward to dancing through 2020 with you!







2019 Christmas Party

It was fantastic to see so many people at our annual Christmas party. A great way to finish our Dancezing year with our fabulous Dancezing family. Lots of dancing, laughing, chatting and having fun together. We danced barn dances and circle dances as well as line dances to 'Christmas' themed music! We ended in our traditional fashion of Rita's Waltz, holding hands. You can see more photos on our facebook page ©





2020

Classes

All classes open week commencing 6th January

New Beginners can join:

Audley School - 15th January @ 8pm

Oxted Community Hall - 7th January @ 4.15pn

Warlingham Church Hall – 25th February @ 9.45am

Social Events

Saturday January 18th (7.15pm - 10.30pm)

Saturday February 22nd (7.15pm – 10.30pm)

Weekend Break 27th - 29th March

Saturday May 16th (7.15pm – 10.30pm)

Saturday June 20th (7.15pm – 10.30pm)

Weekend Break 2nd - 4th October

Saturday October 17th (7.15pm – 10.30pm)

Monday 21st December (6.15pm – 8.45pm) - Christmas Party – TBC

NEW BEGINNER CLASSES – Wednesday 15th January

Audley School, Whyteleafe Rd, Caterham, CR3 5ED: 8-9pm

We are excited to be opening an evening class for new beginners in Caterham. Please tell your friends about this – we have plenty of space and it will be lots of fun ©

Oxted Community Hall: 4.15–5.15pm

New beginners are welcome to join our class in Oxted on Tuesday afternoons. Please spread the word.

Please share details of these classes with any friends who you think would love line dancing as much as we do © Thank you!

CLASS TIMETABLE

Our classes will be open from Monday 6th January.

DAY	TIME	LEVEL	VENUE
MONDAY	6.45 – 7.45 pm	IMPROVER	Audley Primary School CATERHAM
	7.45pm – 8.45 pm	BEGINNER + / IMPROVER	
TUESDAY	9.45am – 10.45am	NEW BEGINNERS	WARLINGHAM Church Hall
	11am – 12.30 pm	IMPROVER / INTERMEDIATE	
	1pm – 2pm	BEGINNER +	
TUESDAY	4.15 – 5.15 pm	NEW BEGINNERS	OXTED Community Hall
	5.15 – 6.15 pm	BEGINNER + / IMPROVER	
WEDNESDAY	6.45 – 8pm	IMPROVER / INTERMEDIATE	Audley Primary School CATERHAM
	8 – 9pm	NEW BEGINNERS	
THURSDAY	9.30 – 10.30 am	BEGINNER	- CATERHAM Community Centre
	10.30 – 11.30 am	BEGINNER + / IMPROVER	
FRIDAY	7pm – 9.30 pm	INTERMEDIATE / GENERAL	KENLEY Memorial Hall

CLASS PRICES 2020

Tuesday classes at Warlingham and Thursday morning at Caterham will be £6, the intermediate class on Friday at Kenley will be £7 from January. All other class prices remain unchanged.

Oops! Too many mince pies & not enough line dancing!

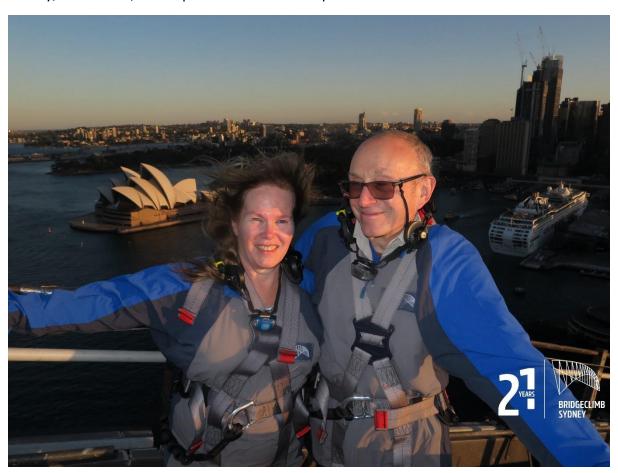


Here is a fabulous article from one of our dancers – Heather Bailey, about her recent trip to Australia with her line dancing husband Bob

"Dancezing" Down Under

Bob and I recently decided to celebrate reaching a combined age of 135 with a wonderful holiday in Australia. (Mine ends in 5, his ends in 0 and there is a 5 year difference, I'll let you do the maths!)

We began our trip in Sydney, where we both climbed the Sydney Harbour Bridge to raise money for charity, a total of 1,500 steps. This is us at the top:



If you look <u>very</u> carefully at the photos below you can make out several groups of people climbing in lines on the top of the bridge:



We then flew to Uluru and were there on the last day that people were allowed to Line dance on Ayers Rock:



The terrain in the Daintree rainforest was a little tricky for Line dancing!



At Walpa Gorge I tripped over a rock and badly sprained my left ankle, after which I devised my own new Line dance steps which go like this:

Right foot forward, drag the left foot up beside the right (adagio, pause) Right foot forward, drag the left foot up beside the right – repeat ad infinitum!

When we reached Melbourne we discovered you are allowed to Line dance in the road, but need to beware of traffic, so figure-of eight turns are prohibited:





Amber means "prepare to Line dance", the Green Man tells you when you can go, in 5, 6, 7, 8 - and the last one tells you when the music is about to finish (we should get him in to help us with the ending of "Never Growing Up"!)



We also spent three days in Singapore, which is a lovely city, but not nearly so Line dance friendly:





You are not allowed to drop litter there, and they also have a ban on "Graffiti"!

Our tour guides informed us that kangaroos, wallabies and cassowaries are no good at Line dancing because none of them are able to go backwards.



It is also unwise to Line dance in front of a crocodile or a shark, and when we visited the Great Barrier Reef we discovered it is impossible to Line dance wearing snorkelling flippers!





Thanks to your kind generosity we were able to forward a donation of £272.07 to Crisis.

Thank you so much for helping to provide food, safety and health care that can make such a difference to people who are homeless.

Line Dance Weekend Break Eastbourne





27th - 29th March 2020 - Cumberland Hotel

For all levels - beginner to intermediate
Party nights - dancing requests
Workshops with dance instruction
A fun-filled weekend of line dancing,
laughter, socialising, ice-creams
meeting friends old & new



JANCEZING

'SPOOKTACULAR' LINE DANCE

WEEKEND BREAK

EASTBOURNE

A FUN-FILLED WEEKEND OF LINE DANCING

LAUGHER, SOCIALISING,

MEETING OLD FRIENDS AND NEW

In 2020 we have two line dance weekend breaks to look forward to ©

The balance for our break in March is due by 27^{th} January. I will send out statements to you nearer to the time. Look out for announcements of the theme. Feel free to send me suggestions for a theme if you have an idea – I would love to hear from you!

Keep an eye out for details of our October 'spooktacular' weekend break which I will be sending out shortly.

NOTICE FOR CLASSES AT AUDLEY SCHOOL

Please don't forget that *if* you arrive to find that the main gate is locked, press the bottom button on the entry system, located just by the gate. It is labelled 'just like home'. We will be able to hear you buzz in the hall. If you press any of the other buttons we will not be able to hear you and will have no way of knowing that you need to be let in.





NOTICE FOR MONDAY CLASSES

Please don't forget that from 6th January our class times have changed, due to the fact that the school are now running an 'after school' club.

You will not be able to gain entry to the school until 6.35pm and our first class will start at the later time of 6.45pm, with our second class starting at the later time of 7.45pm

Anyone who usually comes along to our beginner + class who would like to try our improver class, please feel free to join us.



NOTICE FOR WARLINGHAM MORNING CLASS

Please note that the entry code for the hall has been changed & we have been asked not to disclose it. We are aware that some of you were allowed to gain access in the past, however, we have been advised that this is no longer the case.

We aim to arrive at the hall to open the door and set up for our first class at 10.45am, however, please be patient if we are delayed for any unforeseen reason.

Obviously, once the new class starts at the end of February, the hall will be open earlier.

This year has been another fabulous year for Dancezing, especially as we were celebrating our tenth year! It is amazing that some of our dancers have been with us since our journey began way back in 2009 ©

It's been great to see that more new people have joined our classes and that our lovely Dancezing family continues to grow, proving that line dance is still popular and enjoyed by many. I would never have believed it if someone had told me where we would be today when just 3 people turned up to my first class all those years ago. Newcomers have commented on how welcome they have been made to feel and what a lovely atmosphere there is in our classes – thank you so much to you all for creating this.

I know that this year has brought some difficult times and challenges for some of you, but it is always good to hear from you that our line dance classes bring you some respite and help to take you away from your troubles. It is also wonderful that our Dancezing family is very good at giving help and support to each other.

This year we had a collection for Crisis instead of Christmas cards and gifts, however, some of you have been naughty and given me cards and gifts as well! Thank you so very much!

I hope that you all have a merry Christmas and that 2020 brings you peace, health and happiness and of course lots of line dancing!



