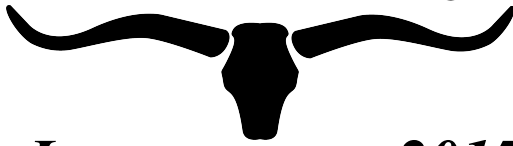


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Wanted Poster

Hello,

And yes, it's now official, summer has finally arrived.

It is an understatement to say it hasn't been the best start to the year but fingers crossed, the sunshine will signal the sign of better things to come.

Last month I wrote that Lavinia and I had gone to see the show Carousel and what a great evening it was.

Well, we enjoyed it so much we decided to go to the theatre again, this time to see 42nd Street.

What an uplifting, fabulous show it is. The dance sequences, the costumes, the opening dance routine was worth the entrance money by itself, so please, if you get the chance to see it, you must go. We both thought it was in a different league to La La Land !

If you can't make it to the West End then no probs as our dance is less than a month away!

We have lots to tell you about this month, including changes to the Monday night start time so make sure you have all the information at your fingertips.

If you have worries or concerns about any of the changes please speak to either of us.

Sunday 25th June 2017
Summer Garden Party Line Dance

The Spotlight, Hoddesdon

We decided to make it a summer party event so you could dress in your summer outfit and chill-out with us dancing your favourite dances but with a few changes.

The venue has changed, the day has changed and so has the start time.

With the closure of Wolsey Hall we felt it would be very unfair on the Hoddesdon dancers if we went back to having all our dances in Barnet. However, it was impossible to hire Saturday at The Spotlight in June so we thought why not give Sunday a try. The Spotlight is a lovely venue with a lovely dance floor. We do hope the Barnet dancers give it a try and travel that extra five minutes up the road from Cheshunt to Hoddesdon.

We also know that some of you work on Monday so decided to bring the start time forward by an hour and finish an hour earlier than usual.

It will be the usual 'Bring Your Own' event so the bar prices are still brilliant.

The doors will open at 6.30pm and the dancing will be the usual 3 hours but, between 7pm and finishing at 10pm.

We look forward to having our first event at The Spotlight and look forward to seeing you there.

John's Collection

About a week ago we visited John's wife Mary and whilst there left the collection tin. Since then Mary has emailed us and in her own words, 'Katie (Their daughter) counted the tin's contents which amounted to £216.35, absolutely unbelievable'. Mary confirms that they are delighted to now have enough to buy the defibrillator.

She thanks everyone for the kind words on the card and the collection which she says would have astonished John.

Once bought they will let us know where the defibrillator has been placed.

Monday Night And Tuesday Night Classes

As you know Tuesday night class, at the Subud Hall, closed at the end of May.

This class used start at 7.30pm and so we thought this was the ideal time to change Monday evening class to bring it in line.

Monday evening beginners can no longer be classified as beginners, they have graduated into improvers. We both felt that they needed that extra little 'push' to move on and this would be an ideal time.

As a result we have decided to start Monday evening at 7.30pm as improvers.

We decided, after lots of consideration, to make this change on the first Monday in June, ie the 5th June. This seems to make

sense as it ties in with the closure of Tuesday and we hope that some of those dancers will chose Monday to come along.

The first part of the evening will be classified as improvers and we know that lots of the later class would prefer to start at 7.30pm, this will enable them to do so.

The rest of the evening will be as it is now, the dances gradually get more difficult but still include improver dances throughout.

We hope this change will allow the old 7pm dancers the chance to grab a bite to eat before coming out, thus stay on and gain lots more experience and knowledge.

With a bit of luck this should also mean that, by starting later, all the old 7pm dancers will miss the 'rush hour' traffic.

We know this will not please everyone but felt it was needed for a number of reasons.

TV Fame Escapes us yet again

Not for the first, second or third time, maybe more, our 15 minutes of fame have eluded us yet again.

Over the years we have been courted to appear on The Generation Game, Top Gear, The One Show and numerous others only to be told our services were not required. Don't these guys know what they are missing? Obviously not! Oh well !

Reminisces of an Old Line Dancer

Whilst reading this I want you to envisage an old fellow, on a rocking chair out on the front porch.(Ok that could be me!)

'I can remember when we had a choice of which line dance party we went to on a Saturday night. There were so many dance events it was just a choice of how far did we want to travel, was there a live act and, was there a bar? So many choices!

I can remember when all the girls dressed in skirts, wore cowboy boots and lots of them also wore cowboy hats. Surely there is nothing sexier than a gal in a cowboy hat and boots?

I can remember when we used to dance the Tush Push three or four times in one night, obviously to different songs. It might sound crazy now but the joy was in dancing just for the fun of dancing.

I can remember when dancing to a band there were three, four, or more different dances going on at the same time. It wasn't a case of dancing to the 'right music', if it fitted the dance it WAS the right music. All you had to do was look around the dance floor, select the dance you wanted to do and join that group of dancers.

I can remember when Red Hot Salsa hit the scene, what a revelation. Everyone wanted to dance it, everyone could dance it. Dave Sheriff became a household name on the dance circuit around the world.

I can remember when dance classes were heaving with so many people that we had to teach the same dance twice because we couldn't get everyone on the dance floor at the same time to learn it'.

Happy days they were then and happy days they are now, only, as you can see, a little bit different.

**Happy Stomping
Dance Like No One Is Watching
Lavinia & Mick**

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