



RDS

## *July/August 2019 Newsletter*

### **Congratulations to all those that went to Blackpool!**

Well done to Ellie, Maisy, Charlotte, Jenny, Tarun and Jason who represented RDS in what was very difficult circumstances. Tarun and Jason was placed in the finals of their individual competitions and everyone danced extremely well. We are very proud of these individuals – they have worked hard all year for this achievement. Good luck to you all next year.

If you would like to join our small and select competition group, please talk to either Rodney or Annette to find out what this entails and details of lessons.

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### **Next 6 week Course:**

Starts week beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019. We will be teaching Paso Doble; Viennese Waltz and Slow Foxtrot. Cost is £8.00 each time you come. (No block arrangement unless you buy a 10 week ticket).

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### **Holiday dates:**

*Please note lessons arrangements for the weeks beginning 12.8.19; 19.8.19 and 26.8.19 detailed on the table overleaf.*

If you have any queries, ask one of the teachers.

Lessons over the holiday period: Summer 2019					
Wk beg.	Mon	Tues	Weds	Fri	Sat a.m.
5.8.19	Lessons as usual.				
12.8.19	Lessons as usual.	Lessons as usual.	Lessons as usual.	6:30 - 7:00 Nicola, Zoe and Rodney's classes combined. Children's PSDT's and Pre-Bronze levels. 7:00 - 7:30 Nicola taking Annette's class - Bronze Latin and Ballroom. 7:30 - 8:00 Nicola's Adult lesson (Pre-Bronze) as usual. Rodney's Adults Ballroom and Latin class - practice time. 8:00 - 9:30 Adults Social Ballroom and Latin including practice time.	Rainbows as usual. Private lessons by arrangement with Cathy and Nicola.
19.8.19	No lessons. Please feel able to join lessons on Weds or Fridays.	No lessons. Please feel able to join lessons on Weds or Fridays.	Combined childrens lesson 6:30 - 7:30 and adult social lessons 8:00 - 9:30 with Nicola. <i>No competition lesson.</i>	6:30 - 7:00 Nicola, Zoe and Rodney's classes combined. Children's PSDT's and Pre-Bronze levels. 7:00 - 7:30 Nicola taking Annette's class - Bronze Latin and Ballroom. 7:30 - 8:00 Nicola's Adult lesson (Pre-Bronze) as usual. Rodney's Adults Ballroom and Latin class - practice time. 8:00 - 9:30 Adults Social Ballroom and Latin including practice time.	No lessons.
26.8.19	No lessons. Please feel able to join lessons on Weds or Fridays.	No lessons. Please feel able to join lessons on Weds or Fridays.	Combined childrens lesson 6:30 - 7:30 and adult social lessons 8:00 - 9:30 with Nicola. <i>No competition lesson.</i>	6:30 - 7:00 Nicola, Zoe and Rodney's classes combined. Children's PSDT's and Pre-Bronze levels. 7:00 - 7:30 Nicola taking Annette's class - Bronze Latin and Ballroom. 7:30 - 8:00 Nicola's Adult lesson (Pre-Bronze) as usual. Rodney's Adults Ballroom and Latin class - practice time. 8:00 - 9:30 Adults Social Ballroom and Latin including practice time.	Rainbows as usual. Private lessons by arrangement with Cathy and Nicola.
2.9.19	Lessons as usual.				

## Medallist Competitions – Adults and Children:

Next competitions:

**Adults:** 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019.

**Venue:** Lakeside Country Club, Frimley Green, Camberley GU16 6PT.

If any medallist students are interested in exploring the world of competitions, please speak either to Rodney or Annette for further information.

Contact: Rodney – Phone: 07773688314 or 01462 686131. E-mail: Rodney.pj@gmail.com

**Adults and U 16's:** 20<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Venue: Daventry Leisure Centre, Lodge Rd, Daventry NN11 4FP.

These are the first qualifying opportunities for the Blackpool Finals for 2020.

**Under 16's:** 10<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

Venue: To be advised.

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## **Saturday Social Dance:**

### **28<sup>th</sup> September 2019:**

Free tea and coffee. Please feel able to bring own drinks, nibbles and friends. Take this opportunity to practice your newly learned routines in Ballroom, Latin and Modern Sequence. As usual teachers will be available if you need a prompt.

Venue: Welwyn Civic Centre, Prospect Place, Welwyn. AL6 9ER

Cost: £6.00 paid in advance or £7.50 on the door.

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## **Blackpool Weekend:**

Back by popular demand!!!

Dates for 2019: 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

Costs: 2 nights - £215.00 pp.  
3 nights - £270.00 pp.

Get Booked NOW - Deposit to be paid by April 30th 2019. If you are considering joining us – consider no longer – ***we need your booking form and deposit please to secure the room*** and give us plenty of time to book the tickets for the prestigious tea dance at the Tower Ballroom!

Our stay is with Tiffany's Hotel on the seafront, a short walk away from the Tower Ballroom. Prices include buffet on arrival on the Friday evening; bed, breakfast and 5 course evening meals for the nights booked; entry to the famous Blackpool Tower Ballroom and include Afternoon Tea. We also offer a lesson on the Friday evening or Saturday morning along with social dancing on Friday and Saturday evenings to give you a chance to practice and then unwind after the Tea Dance to remember the experience of dancing in Tower.

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## **Next Examination:**

Date: Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2019.

Venue: Welwyn Civic Centre.

Start time: To be advised.

Medal forms will be issued week beginning Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September for return with payment by 21<sup>th</sup> October at the very latest please. We are required by the NATD (Examining Body) to submit a schedule to them 3 weeks prior to the exam day so it is important that these dates be adhered to please. Any late entries/payments will not be allowed. These are NATD regulations and not something we are able to change.

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## **NATD Congress:**

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2020.

Venue: Cheltenham Town Hall.

A weekend of dance lectures on Friday, Saturday and Sunday with a 'black tie' dinner dance on the Saturday night to include demonstrations from professional dancers. Details to follow. All are welcome. Please see Annette or Rodney for further details or to register your interest.



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## **Next years presentation will be held on:**

14<sup>th</sup> March 2020 again at the Town Hall in Hitchin.

Be there to receive medals and trophies for all your hard work this year!

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## **Dates for your diary:**

22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2019	6 week course Paso Doble, Viennese Waltz & Slow Foxtrot
2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2019	Next 4 week course – Quickstep & Rumba
22 <sup>nd</sup> September 2019	Adult Medallist Competition, Frimley Green, Camberley.
26 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Forms being issued for medal examinations to be held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2019.
28 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Saturday Social Dance. Bring your own snacks, nibbles, drinks and friends (not necessarily in this order!). Welwyn Civic Centre.
20 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Adults and Under 16's Medallist Competition – Daventry.
21 <sup>st</sup> October 2019	Medal Forms to be returned with payment.
4 <sup>th</sup> – 6 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Blackpool Weekend.
3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2019	Medal Examination - Civic Centre Welwyn – details to follow.
10 <sup>th</sup> November 2019	Under 16's Medallist Competition.
14 <sup>th</sup> March 2020	Medal Presentation night, Hitchin Town Hall.
21 <sup>st</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2020	NATD Congress, Cheltenham Town Hall.