



DPA Newsletter 21 JUNE 2017.

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to the Summer edition of the 2017 DPA Newsletter, number 21. Information that you will find informative & relevant to you, whether you're a Competitor, Parent, Teacher, Amateur Dance Club or a Competition Promoter - there is something in this edition for you all!

National League.

*The 2016/17 National League has now come to an end and the new 2017/18 season has recently commenced. The top 14 couples in the Beginners, Novice, Intermediate & Pre - Championship grades have been invited to participate in their Grand Finals at the Bournemouth Summer Festival on Thursday 27th July to ascertain the overall DPA/BDF National League winners. **Should there be any couple who finished in the top 14 of the previously mentioned grades and has not yet received their official invitation, then they should contact Committee members Duncan Trever or Gary Foster as soon as possible.** Don't forget that there will be increased prize money to the first six couples in the top 13 categories that constitute the National League. The prize money figures for each place in 2017 will be awarded as follows;*

1st £500, 2nd £250, 3rd £150, 4th £100, 5th £100, 6th £100.

National League Presentations for Juvenile All - Girls, Under 11's, Junior All - Girls & Under 14's;

During the running of The 2017 Bournemouth Summer Festival the Presentation of the National League to the winners of the Juvenile All Girl Ballroom, Junior All Girl Latin & Under 14 Ballroom will take place on Thursday July 27th. The Juvenile All Girl Latin, Junior All Girl Ballroom & Under 14 Latin presentations will take place on Friday 28th July. The Under 11 years ballroom and latin presentation of The National League will go ahead on Sunday 30th July. Each



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presentation will be held in The B.I.C and will occur during the competitions that are being held on that specific day.

Keeping to the rules.

Could we please remind couples taking part in all National and Super League events that they must adhere to the rules especially those referring to moving up through the grades. If you are unsure, then refer to the DPA website - it's all there.

Point structure for National and Super League will be as follows:
Major Events - (United Kingdom Closed, British Nationals, Star & European)

PLACE	POINTS
1ST	26
2ND	24
3RD	22
4TH	20
5TH	18
6TH	16
Semi Final	12
$\frac{1}{4}$ Final	10
Previous Round	8
Previous Round	6

Super League Events :

PLACE	POINTS
1ST	18
2ND	17
3RD	16
4TH	15
5TH	14
6TH	13
Semi Final	11
$\frac{1}{4}$ Final	10
Previous Round	8
Previous Round	6



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National League Events :

The point structure has not changed for these events.

Advertising of all League Points

All promoters must inform the DPA of their intention to run any league point events and advertise the necessary competition in all required media outlets.

League Events - some explanations

Please note that National League points will only be awarded to the following age groups and levels - U/35 and O/35 Beginner/Novice/Intermediate/Pre Champ. No other age categories at these levels will carry points - Promoters, please be aware for your forthcoming competition programmes & would all competitors please take notice. Any DPA member wishing to add a Super League event to their programme then please download the application form from the website, duly complete, sign and forward to Committee Member David Douglass with the appropriate fee.

WDC/Amateur League European Championships -Easter Weekend Friday 30th, Saturday 31st March and Sunday 1st April 2018.

Owing to the resounding success of The European Championships and the continual growth of entries year on year, the Management committee are delighted to announce that the 2018 presentation of The WDC Amateur League European Championships will now become a 3 day event with competitions commencing in the fabulous Empress Ballroom, Winter Gardens, Blackpool on Friday 30th March 2018.

The new format for this event will see the European Formation Championship now take place on the Friday along with the WDC AL Under 35's Pre Amateur Ballroom & Latin American championships, the WDC AL Over 35's Pre Amateur Ballroom & Latin American championships, the WDC AL Over 30's Ballroom & Latin American championships, the WDC AL Under 19's Latin American championship, the WDC AL Under 21's Ballroom Championship plus the DPA Over 40's Professional Ballroom Grand Prix.



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The programme for Saturday 31st March will be as follows:

WDC AL European Juvenile Latin American championship, WDC AL European Under 14's Ballroom championship, WDC AL European Junior Ballroom championship, WDC AL European Under 21's Latin American championship, WDC AL European Amateur Latin American championship, WDC AL European Senior 1,2&3 Ballroom championships and the DPA Open to the World Professional Ballroom Grand Prix.

The competitions for Sunday 1st April will be as follows:

WDC AL European Juvenile Ballroom Championship, WDC AL European Under 14's Latin American Championship, WDC AL European Junior Latin American Championship, WDC AL European Under 19's Ballroom Championship, WDC AL European Amateur Ballroom Championship, WDC AL European Senior 1 & 2 Latin American Championships and The DPA Open to the World Professional Latin American Grand Prix.

The DPA are extremely proud to present in association with the Blackpool Entertainment Company Limited the 2018 Open European Championships. All entries for this wonderful long weekend of dance will officially open on August 1st 2017.

Bournemouth Summer Festival 2017.

Entries for this wonderful 4 day festival, the 28th this year close on June 24th 2017. The festival runs from Thursday 27th July until Sunday 30th July. This year's presentation promises to be another unmissable dance festival! NEW COMPETITIONS FOR 2017; The Bournemouth Masters All Ladies Ballroom & Latin American 4 dance events plus The Bournemouth Masters Senior 4 (both over 65's) ballroom 4 dance event. These new competitions will take place on Thursday 27th July. The BOX OFFICE is open for your purchase of admission tickets & reserved seating. Once again we are pleased to advise you that No Booking Fees will apply to the purchase of any tickets. Telephone The Bournemouth International Centre on 0844 576 3000 to purchase yours. The Annual Festival Dinner Dance takes place on Saturday evening, 29TH July 2017. A fabulous meal, the World renowned Ross Mitchell Band & Singers plus the semi finals & grand finals of some of the festivals "Blue Riband" events. All in all quite an amazing evening. Tickets for this evening are £56 per person and are



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available directly from the DPA Chairman, Nigel Horrocks. May we remind you that ALL ENTRIES CLOSE ON 24TH JUNE 2017.

Enter now on line at www.dpaonline.co.uk or in writing to MARK LUNN, 151 Ridgeway LONDON. E4 6QU. Please note, no entries on the day, no telephone entries & no late entries will be accepted.

Plans for 2018 are also currently in hand. It is envisaged that the 2018 festival will also feature events for Pro -am, Solos and teacher/student. Watch this space for further development and information.

Amateur Registration or DPA Membership.

Anyone considering to enter the competition scene at any level may register with the DPA. Registration/Membership is FREE to all Competitors. To register, simply complete the application form & register online. Your registration/membership cards will follow shortly afterwards. If, however, you are new to promoting, then why not join us and become a member of the DPA. Annual membership is £50 per organisation. An application form is available from Committee Member Gary Foster.

British Dance Council.

As a corporate member of the British Dance Council, the DPA supports the work done by the British Dance Council.

DPA Calendar of Events .

Please refer to the DPA "What's on" Page of the website for all details of all events being held during the oncoming months. If you wish your events to feature, please contact the DPA enquiries e-mail for details.

Rules of the Association.

Following the Annual General Meeting of The DPA in November of 2016, the rule book of The Association has been reviewed and updated. Anyone wishing to familiarise themselves with these updates or view any part of the rules may inspect them on our website.



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www.dancepromotersassociation.co.uk/membership/rules

And Finally

**May we take this opportunity to wish you all the best of luck at this years Bournemouth Summer Festival & very much look forward to seeing you all on the Sunny South Coast next month !
Have a safe trip.**



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