



## August Newsletter 2017

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## 1. West Coast Swing UK Important Dates for Your Dance Diary!

Hi Everyone! Our full **2017** dates are already updated to our website "WCSUK Key Dates" pages and "Calendar" page but for easy reference, you can view the major ones here;

- **Wednesday 2 August** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 19 August** - WCSUK 12th Year Anniversary Party & Charity Fundraiser – Windsor
- **Saturday 2 September** – London WCS Flashmob
- **Sunday 3 September** – Exeter WCS Flashmob
- **Wednesday 6 September** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 23 September** - ICE Freestyle – West Drayton
- **Sunday 24 September** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Wednesday 4 October** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 28 October** - ICE Freestyle – Windsor

- **Sunday 29 October** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Wednesday 1 November** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Thursday 16 – Monday 20 November** – 7<sup>th</sup> Edition London SwingVitational!
- **Wednesday 6 December** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 9 December** - WCSUK Annual Christmas Party – Windsor
- **Sunday 10 December** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Wednesday 13 December** – Last Wednesday Class of 2017 – Twickenham

Check out our **Calendar page** at [www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/](http://www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/) for regular updates!

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## 2. August Guest WCS Classes with Catriona!

Guest Spots:

- **Tuesday 1 August** – Catriona guest teaches for West Coast Swing London, Finchley – [westcoastswinglondon.co.uk/](http://westcoastswinglondon.co.uk/)
  - **Tuesday 22 August** – Catriona guest teaches for Jive+, Islip, Oxford – [www.jiveplus.com/tueswcs.html](http://www.jiveplus.com/tueswcs.html)
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## 3. International WCS Flashmob 2017 – Get Involved!

Come join us in Central London to perform our division of the brand new 2017 International WCS Flashmob routine choreographed by top French WCS Pros Olivier & Virginie Massart, Maxime & Torri Zzaoui, Maxence Martin & Virginie Grondin and Arnaud Perga & Maelle Jacoulet, which will take place all over the globe on Saturday 2 September. The idea is to inspire and attract more people into learning our favourite partner dance. So if you'd like to be part of the movement, contact me to register your interest. Full details will be released to the participants on the lead up to performance day. For now, please mark the afternoon into your diaries in central London and email me at [cat@westcoastswing.co.uk](mailto:cat@westcoastswing.co.uk) to sign up!

**Afternoon Onwards, Saturday 2 September 2017**  
**Various Central London Locations TBA**  
**Followed By WCS After Party!**

Check out our official **London Event Facebook advert** for quick updates;  
[www.facebook.com/events/521364908253777/](http://www.facebook.com/events/521364908253777/)

Check out our official **Exeter Event Facebook advert** for quick updates;

[www.facebook.com/events/141134526430702/](http://www.facebook.com/events/141134526430702/)

Also, check out the official **Flashmob YouTube video** complete with routine breakdown;

[www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mv7gHFiwj28](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mv7gHFiwj28)

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#### **4. Exeter WCS Summer Social + Flashmob Review, Exminster, Saturday 5 August!**

I am delighted to announce that after a long hiatus, we are back with a fun evening of WCS in Exeter from 20:00-23:00 on Saturday 5 August at the Westbank Centre! This will run in addition to our Monthly Sunday Workshop on Sunday 6 August at the Coaver Club!

### **Exeter WCS Summer Social + Flashmob Review with Top UK WCS Pro Catriona Wiles**

**20:00-23:00, Saturday 5 August 2017**

20:00-21:00 – WCS Flashmob Review

21:00-23:00 – Pure WCS Social

Westbank Healthy Living Centre  
Farm House Rise  
Exminster  
Exeter  
EX6 8SL

[Map](#)

Free Onsite Parking  
No bar so BYO  
Complimentary Tea, Coffee & Snacks  
Easily Accessible from M5 and Exeter City Centre

Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;

[www.facebook.com/events/1945297272421940](http://www.facebook.com/events/1945297272421940)

Or check out our **Website page**;

[www.westcoastswing.co.uk/wcs-exeter/](http://www.westcoastswing.co.uk/wcs-exeter/)

- **£7 – Flashmob Review + Social if attending Sunday workshop at Coaver Club!**
- £5 - Social only if attending Sunday workshop at Coaver Club
- £9 - Flashmob Review + Social only
- £7 - Social only

- Free – Juniors up to age 18

**No need to book. Just show up ready to dance!**

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## **5. Monthly Exeter WCS Workshop & Tea Dance with Catriona, Sunday 6 August!**

If you've been toying with the idea of learning WCS, then now is the perfect time to start! Or if you've been dancing WCS for a while and would like to refresh your basics and perfect your technique, then this is also a great opportunity for you to get back into the "swing" of things!

Every month, Catriona teaches a 3 hour FUNdamental/Improver level workshop, the first hour of which covers all the tools and techniques needed to get you started on your WCS journey.

After a short break, the next 2 hours focus on concepts and patterns to help you progress your understanding and experience of WCS.

And we'll once again be offering a FUNdamentals review class with GPDIA (Global Professional Dance Instructors' Association) newly qualified Sally Fullwood for our newer dancers wishing to consolidate their basics in a more one-on-one setting.

The afternoon is topped off with 90 minutes of pure WCS freestyle and practice time from 16:30-18:00! All will be made welcome!

### **Monthly Exeter WCS Workshop & Tea Dance with Top UK WCS Pro Catriona Wiles**

**13:00-18:00 Sunday 6 August**

Coaver Club  
Matford Lane  
Exeter  
EX2 4PS

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Free Onsite Parking  
Fully Licensed Bar  
Complimentary Tea, Coffee & Snacks  
Easily Accessible From M5  
15-20 Minute Walk From Exeter City Centre

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Or check out our **Website page**;  
[www.westcoastswing.co.uk/wcs-exeter/](http://www.westcoastswing.co.uk/wcs-exeter/)

- **£20 – Workshop if payment is received more than 7 days in advance**
- £25 – Workshop if payment is received less than 7 days in advance, availability permitting
- £5 – Tea dance only
- Free – Juniors up to age 18

To book, email [cat@westcoastswing.co.uk](mailto:cat@westcoastswing.co.uk) or call 07881 641400. Then choose from the following payment options;

- Option 1 – Make cash payment at any venue
- Option 2 – Pay via bank transfer. Email for details
- Option 3 – Send cheque made payable to C. Wiles

### **2017 Dates:**

**Sunday 3 September – Exeter WCS Flashmob**  
**Sunday 8 October**  
**Sunday 12 November**  
**Sunday 3 December – Annual Christmas Party**

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## **6. World Dance Masters – SwayD Boots Available for Purchase, Blackpool, 11-13 August!**

Once again, I have been kindly invited by organizers Sam Robins & Nicola Lafferty to attend the World Dance Masters weekender from 11-13 August and will be bringing with me a consignment of all the latest ladies SwayD “Magic” Boots and Essie flat shoes available for purchase! I will also be teaching a couple of WCS workshops over the weekend so be sure to check out the event schedule on arrival. Check out [www.worlddancemasters.com/worlds/](http://www.worlddancemasters.com/worlds/) for full details of the event and please spread the word if you have friends in and around Blackpool who you think might be interested in attending!

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## **7. West Coast Swing UK 12<sup>th</sup> Year Anniversary Party with Live Music & Annual Royal Marsden Cancer Charity Fundraiser with Catriona & West Coast Swing UK Team, Windsor, Saturday 19 August!**

WOW! It's that time of the year again! You're all invited to join us for a full day of dance and fun to mark the occasion of our **West Coast Swing UK 12th Year Anniversary!** It's also my 17<sup>th</sup> Year of being cancer-free thanks to live saving

treatment I received via the NHS back in 2000! Miracles do happen but there are still an awful lot of cancer tragedy stories which each and every one of us are affected by at some point or another!

It is my **goal to be able to raise at least £500 from this party to donate to the Royal Marsden** as a thank you for the miraculous work they do on a daily basis! So please join me in celebrating 11 years of WCSUK, my survival and this fundraising effort! Thank you all so much in advance!

On or before the day, you will be able to anonymously nominate names for the following categories;

- 1 - "Dancers' Choice" Most Popular Female Dancer
- 2 - "Dancers' Choice" Most Popular Male Dancer
- 3 - "Dancers' Choice" Favourite DeeJay

If you cannot make the party but would like to vote by proxy, you can confidentially send me a FB message, email, text or call with your choices and your votes will be counted! Better still, come along and see your favourite peeps receive their awards!

We will also be awarding "Most Improved Male & Female Dancers" as selected by the WCSUK team!

**13:00-23:30, Saturday 19 August 2017**

**"In Memory of My Mother Robin Wiles  
1943-2011"**

The day will include;

- \*Two Live Sets (daytime + evening) from top French WCS Duo, Simpl'Us\***
- \*Learn and/or Practice 2017 International WCS Flashmob Routine\***
- \*BYO Picnic on the Green\***
- \*Expect a Visit from the Ice Cream Van & Spicy Ricey Indian Food Vendors\***
- \*Royal Marsden Charity Fundraiser "Jill & Jack" Comp (Yes, the girls lead, the boys follow!)\***
- \*JT Swing Teams Varsity Performance\***
- \*Annual WCSUK Awards Presentation\***
- \*Pure WCS Music from Resident DeeJay Graham Burke & Guest DeeJays TBA\***
- \*Official WCSUK Clothing & SwayD (Magic) Boots Vendor\***
- \*Unique Boutique Clothing Vendor\***

New Windsor Community Centre  
Hanover Way  
Dedworth  
Windsor  
SL4 5NW

[Map](#)

\*BYO picnic\*  
Free Onsite Parking  
Full Licensed Bar  
Complimentary tea, coffee & snacks  
Easily Accessible from Central London & the West  
Just over 1 mile from Windsor & Eton Central or Riverside Rail

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Or check out our **Website page**;  
[www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/wcsuk-12th-year-anniversary-party-annual-royal-marsden-cancer-charity-fundraiser/](http://www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/wcsuk-12th-year-anniversary-party-annual-royal-marsden-cancer-charity-fundraiser/)

And if you are unable to attend but would still like to **Make a Donation**, click here;  
[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/catriona-wiles2](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/catriona-wiles2)

- **£30 per person for full day – a percentage from each ticket sold donated to Royal Marsden!**
- £15 per person for evening only – a percentage from each ticket sold donated to Royal Marsden
- Pay in cash in advance at any of our WCSUK venues
- Or pay in cash on arrival
- To book, email [cat@westcoastswing.co.uk](mailto:cat@westcoastswing.co.uk) or call 07881 641400

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## **8. Bank Holiday Monday Freestyle Plus Flashmob Rehearsal, Twickenham, Monday 28 August!**

Stop Press! Come join us for our last Bank Holiday Monday freestyle of 2017 in Twickenham on Monday 28 August complete with WCS Flashmob Refresher/Rehearsal for those of you planning to join us on Saturday 2 September for the Flashmob performance day in Central London!

**19:00-23:00, Bank Holiday Monday 28 August 2017**

19:00-20:00 – WCS Flashmob Review  
20:00-23:00 – Pure WCS Social

St. Mary's Church Hall  
Church Street  
Twickenham  
TW1 3NJ

[Map](#)

Free Street Parking After 6:30pm Or After 5pm In York House Car Park Across The Street

No Bar. Soft Drinks Available For Purchase Or BYO

Easily Accessible From Central London & The West  
Short Walk From Twickenham Rail Station  
Check out TFL or National Rail for journey planners

Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;  
[www.facebook.com/events/1729168834059107](http://www.facebook.com/events/1729168834059107)

You can also check out our **Website page** here;  
<http://www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/bank-holiday-monday-freestyles/>

- **£10 – On the door with SwingClubCard© membership. Enquire on arrival**
- £8 – Students & Seniors with SwingClubCard® membership
- £11 – Non-members
- Free – Juniors up to and including age 18

**Please note the earlier start time of 19:00!**  
**No need to book. Just show up ready to dance!**

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**9. And We're Back...7<sup>th</sup> Edition London SWINGvitational, 16-20 November 2017...Dedicated Newsletter Coming Soon!**



"SwingV" is back in all its glory!

Same fabulous atmosphere, brand new location! Dedicated newsletter coming soon!  
In the meantime, please save the date and enjoy our incredible promo reel here -

<https://vimeo.com/203260529>

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**Happy Dancing! Love Catriona**

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