



February Newsletter 2018

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

Hi Everyone! Our full **2018** 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;

- **Sunday 4 February** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Wednesday 7 February** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 24 February** - ICE Freestyle – Windsor (no workshop in February)
- **Sunday 4 March** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Wednesday 7 March** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 24 March** - ICE Freestyle – West Drayton
- **Sunday 25 March** – Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Sunday 1 April** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Monday 2 April** – Bank Holiday Monday Social – Twickenham
- **Wednesday 4 April** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 28 April** - ICE Freestyle – West Drayton
- **Sunday 29 April** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor

- **Wednesday 2 May** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Sunday 6 May** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Monday 7 May** – Bank Holiday Monday Social – Twickenham
- **Saturday 26 - Sunday 27 May** - Special Guest Workshop Weekend with Top International Pros Maxime & Torri Zzaoui – Windsor
- **Monday 28 May** – Bank Holiday Monday Flashmob Workshop + Social with Maxime & Torri Zzaoui – Twickenham
- **Wednesday 6 June** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Sunday 17 June** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Saturday 23 June** - ICE Freestyle – West Drayton
- **Sunday 24 June** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Sunday 1 July** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Wednesday 4 July** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 21 July** - ICE Freestyle – West Drayton
- **Sunday 22 July** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Wednesday 1 August** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Sunday 5 August** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Saturday 18 August** - WCSUK 13th Year Anniversary Party & Charity Fundraiser – Windsor
- **Monday 27 August** – Bank Holiday Monday Social – Twickenham
- **Saturday 1 September** – London WCS Flashmob
- **Sunday 2 September** – Exeter WCS Flashmob
- **Wednesday 5 September** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Saturday 22 September** - ICE Freestyle – West Drayton
- **Sunday 23 September** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Wednesday 3 October** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Sunday 7 October** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Saturday 27 October** - ICE Freestyle – West Drayton
- **Sunday 28 October** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Wednesday 7 November** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- **Sunday 11 November** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Thursday 15 - Monday 19 November** – 8th Edition London SwingVitalational©
- **Sunday 2 December** - Sunday Workshop – Exeter
- **Wednesday 5 December** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month – Twickenham
- ***Date Change:* Saturday 15 December** - WCSUK Annual Christmas Party – Windsor
- ***Date Change:* Sunday 16 December** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor
- **Wednesday 12 December** – Last Wednesday Class of 2018 – Twickenham

Check out our **Calendar page** at www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/ for regular updates!

2. February Guest WCS Classes with Catriona!

Guest Spots:

- **Tuesday 6 February** – Catriona guest teaches for Jive+, Islip, Oxford – www.jiveplus.com/tueswcs.html
 - **Tuesday 8 February** – Catriona guest teaches for Swing-It, Winchester – www.facebook.com/events/214530359108817/
 - **Tuesday 27 February** – Catriona guest teaches for Jive+, Islip, Oxford – www.jiveplus.com/tueswcs.html
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3. Second City Swing Monthly Masterclass & Freestyle with Guest Teacher Catriona, Solihull, Saturday 3 February!

**Special Guest West Coast Swing Masterclass
with
Top UK WCS Pro Catriona Wiles
Followed by Pure WCS Freestyle**

18:45-Midnight, Saturday 3 February

Catriona will once again be guest teacher for this month's Masterclass hosted by James Bartlett and Zoe Rigby, founders of Second City Swing. Come join us for a themed Masterclass covering techniques and concepts essential in bringing you up to a competent social dance level, followed by a chilled WCS freestyle with friends!

Bentley Heath Community Association
Widney Road
Bentley Heath
Solihull
West Midlands
B93 9BQ

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Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/142202706500054/

- **£20 Masterclass & Freestyle combined – paid in advance!**
- £25 Masterclass & Freestyle combined – paid on the door

- £10 Freestyle Only
- To book, email secondcity.wcs@gmail.com or call Zoe on 07852 556101

2018 Dates:

Saturday 3 March
Saturday 14 April (no masterclass)
Saturday 12 May
Saturday 2 June (no masterclass)
Saturday 7 July
No August Date
No September Date
Saturday 6 October
Saturday 3 November (no masterclass)
Saturday 1 December

**4. Monthly Exeter WCS Workshop & Tea Dance with Catriona,
Sunday 4 February!**

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

13:00-18:00, Sunday 4 February

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) certified 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!

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

Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/1764816553571175/

Or check out our **Website page**;
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 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

2018 Dates:

Sunday 4 March

Sunday 1 April

Sunday 6 May

Sunday 17 June

Sunday 1 July

Sunday 5 August

Sunday 2 September – Exeter WCS Flashmob

Sunday 7 October

Sunday 11 November

Sunday 2 December – Annual Christmas Party

5. Gravity Freestyle with Guest Teacher Catriona, Bristol, Friday 9 February!

**Special Guest West Coast Swing Night
with**

Top UK WCS Pro Catriona Wiles Followed by Pure WCS Freestyle

20:00-Midnight, Friday 9 February 2018

Host Jim Edwards says..."The weekend starts here! Gravity is back for 2018! This month we have with the wonderful Ms Wiles back in Bristol sharing her wealth of knowledge and experience with us, not to be missed!"

20:00-20:40: Improver WCS lesson with Catriona
20:50-21:30: Intermediate WCS lesson with Catriona
21:30-Midnight: WCS Freestyle

Almondsbury Sports and Social Club
10 Gloucester Road
Almondsbury
Bristol
BS32 4AA

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Tea and Coffee and snacks will be provided.
There is a Bar, but feel free to bring your own Alcohol.
Free parking
Easy Access

Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/1970477419835188/

- ***Special Offer!* Click Attending on Facebook and only pay £5 for lesson + £10 for freestyle. Offer ends at 21:00 on Thursday 8 February**
- £5 One Lesson
- £7 Two Lessons
- £12 Freestyle only

6. ZoukFest – SwayD Boots Available for Purchase, Renaissance Heathrow, 23-25 February!

Robert & Jean White of Mambo City Salsa have kindly invited me for the third year running to "ZoukFest" from 23-25 February with my huge consignment of SwayD "Magic" Dance Boots for the ladies! This new dance footwear have taken the nation and in fact the world by storm, striking the perfect balance between fashion, function and comfort! They come in two traditional styles; Urban Premiere (tall) and Urban Step (short) plus some special editions, a variety of colours and come in euro sizes 34 all the way up to 42 including some wide sizes. Special reduced prices for cash sales in person! You won't find them cheaper anywhere else! Please come along and

check out the booth and/or spread the word to any ladies who you think might be interested! Thank you!

Check out the **Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/1950996518504840/

Or check out the **Website page**;
www.zoukfest.co.uk/

7. ICE – West Coast Swing UK’s Chilled Monthly Social, in Windsor For This Month Only, Saturday 24 February – No Sunday Workshop This Month!

Innovation...Creation...Expression...

Presenting ICE - Our Chilled Monthly WCS Freestyle

20:00-Midnight, Saturday 24 February

Pure Uninterrupted WCS Freestyle with Resident DeeJay Graham Burke & Guest DeeJay Justin Petersen

In Windsor For This Month Only!

New Windsor Community Centre
Hanover Way
Dedworth
Windsor
SL4 5NW

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

Please note, there will be no Sunday workshop this month! Back to normal in March!

Free Onsite Parking
Full Licensed Bar
Complimentary tea, coffee & snacks
Feel Free To Bring A Plate
Easily Accessible from Central London & the West
Just over 1 mile from Windsor & Eton Central or Riverside Rail

Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/570928766602565/

Or check out our **Website page**;

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

2018 "ICE" Dates:

Saturday 24 March

Saturday 28 April

Saturday 26-Monday 28 May - Special Guest Workshop Weekend with Top International Pros Maxime & Torri Zzaoui

Saturday 23 June

Saturday 21 July

Saturday 18 August – WCSUK 12th Year Anniversary Party & Annual Charity Fundraiser!

Saturday 22 September

Saturday 27 October

Thursday 15-Monday 19 November – 8th Edition London SwingVitational

***Date Change:* Saturday 15 December – WCSUK Annual Christmas Party**

8. Special Guest Workshop Weekend with Top International Pros Maxime & Torri Zzaoui in Windsor Plus Bank Holiday Monday Flashmob Workshop & Social in Twickenham, 26-28 May!

I am delighted to announce that the fabulously talented **top international WCS Pros Maxime & Torri Zzaoui** will be coming over once again exclusively for **West Coast Swing UK** for the first May Bank Holiday Weekend of the year from 26-28 May 2018 for an intensive workshop weekend including a special Bank Holiday Monday Flashmob Workshop + Social!

Maxime started dancing at the age of 5 in Lyon, France. He studied contemporary at the Conservatory for 6 years before starting his career in the West Coast Swing community. He is now one of the top male professionals and was the first European to place in the top 5 of the Classic division at the US Open 2012.

Torri began dancing when she was 3 years old in California, USA. She has studied other dances, but has always been a part of the West Coast Swing community. She has won the Young America/Young Adult division a total of 6 times at the US Open. Torri was the first and only person to win both the Classic and Showcase division in the same year at the 2010 US Open and continued to win the Showcase division for the next 4 years.

Maxime & Torri recently decided to build a partnership and travel the world teaching together. They love the fun and social atmosphere of West Coast Swing and always want to make their classes informative yet enjoyable for everyone.

To read more about Maxime & Torri, check out maximeandtorri.com/

To see Maxime & Torri dance, check out maximeandtorri.com/#max

Maxime & Torri have some availability for private lessons throughout the workshop weekend. Email cat@westcoastswing.co.uk as soon as possible for availability and prices!

For those looking for accommodation, check out this deal! Once again, I have managed to secure a rate of £70 for a double or twin room at the Holiday Inn London-Heathrow, just off Junction 4 of the M4 and very close to Heathrow airport, including full English breakfast AND parking!

www.hilondonheathrowm4j4hotel.co.uk/

This rate is for Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 May! Email grouppreservations@him4j4.co.uk quoting "West Coast Swing UK" to benefit from this offer!

Multi-Level Special Guest Workshop Weekend
With Top International WCS Pros
Maxime & Torri Zzaoui

12:00-23:45, Saturday 26 May 2018

- **12:15-12:45: General Dance Technique Class with Mandy Henderson**
- **13:00-15:00: Workshop 1 – (Beginner/Improver)**
- **15:30-17:30: Workshop 2 – (Improver Plus)**
- **17:30-19:30: Break For Dinner**
- **19:30-23:45: Party/Social with music from Graham Burke & Guest Deejay TBA plus special performance by Maxime & Torri!**

12:00-19:00, Sunday 27 May 2018

- **12:15-12:45: General Dance Technique Class with Mandy Henderson**
- **13:00-15:00: Workshop 3 – (Improver/Intermediate)**
- **15:30-17:30: Workshop 4 – (Intermediate Plus)**

➤ **17:30-19:00: Pure WCS Tea Dance**

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18:00-23:00, Monday 28 May 2018

➤ **18:00-20:00: Workshop 5 – “Learn Brand New 2018 International WCS Flashmob Routine”**

➤ **20:00-23:00: Pure WCS Social**

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

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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 **Website page**;

www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/may-special-guest-workshop-weekend-maxime-torri-zzaoui/

- **£100 – Full weekend package – All 5 workshops + Saturday Night Party + Bank Holiday Monday Flashmob Workshop & Social**
- £85 – Any 4 workshops + Saturday night party
- £80 – Any 4 workshops only
- £75 – Any 3 workshops + Saturday night party
- £70 – Any 3 workshops only
- £60 – Any 2 workshops + Saturday night party

- £50 – Any 2 workshops only
- £35 – Any 1 workshop + Saturday night party
- £25 – Any 1 workshop only
- £12 – Saturday night party only – spaces limited so pre-booking essential!
- £5 – Tea dance only – drop ins welcome
- £20 – Monday Flashmob workshop + social
- £10 – Monday social only
- Free – Juniors up to and including age 18

To book, email cat@westcoastswing.co.uk or call 07881 641400 specifying which package you're signing up for. Then choose from the following payment options;

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Happy Dancing! Love Catriona

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