



May 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;

- **Wednesday 2 May** – First Midweek Freestyle of the Month with Bonus Fun Group Class – 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 Rally 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
- ***Date Change: Sunday 19 August*** - WCSUK 13th Year Anniversary Party & Charity Fundraiser – Windsor
- **Monday 27 August** – Bank Holiday Monday Social – Twickenham
- **Saturday 1 September** – London WCS Rally Flashmob
- **Sunday 2 September** – Exeter WCS Rally 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
- **Wednesday 12 December** – Last Wednesday Class of 2018 – Twickenham
- ***Date Change: Saturday 15 December*** - WCSUK Annual Christmas Party – Windsor
- ***Date Change: Sunday 16 December*** - Sunday Workshop – Windsor

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

2. May Guest WCS Classes with Catriona!

Guest Spots:

- **Tuesday 8 May** – Catriona guest teaches for Jive+, Islip, Oxford – www.jiveplus.com/tueswcs.html

- **Tuesday 22 May** – Catriona guest teaches for Jive+, Islip, Oxford – www.jiveplus.com/tueswcs.html
 - **Friday 25 May** – Catriona guest teaches for Club Jive, Addlestone, Surrey – www.clubjive.com/
 - **Tuesday 29 May** – Catriona guest teaches for West Coast Swing London, Finchley – westcoastswinglondon.co.uk/
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3. First Midweek Freestyle of the Month, Now with Bonus Fun Group Class, Twickenham, Wednesday 2 May!

Come join us in Twickenham on Wednesday 2 May for our first midweek freestyle of the month! We'd like to trial a new format and offer a fun 1 hour group class in the main hall for all levels of WCS dancer, followed by 2 hours of social dance time. Hopefully this will help us to integrate all of our dancers from beginner level all the way up to the most experienced and provide a more sociable experience for everyone!

20:00-23:00, Wednesday 2 May

20:00-21:00 – Fun Group Class with Coleen Man

21:00-23:00 – 2 uninterrupted hours of pure WCS social dance time with music supplied by Guest Deejay Paul Abbott

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

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Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/441241576325492/

Or check out our **Website page**;
www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/monthly-midweek-freestyle/

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

- **£9 – On the door with SwingClubCard® membership. Enquire on arrival**
 - £7 – Students & Seniors with SwingClubCard® membership
 - £10 – Non-members
 - Free – Juniors up to and including age 18
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4. **Monthly Exeter WCS Workshop & Tea Dance with Catriona, Easter Sunday 6 May!**

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

13:00-18:00, Sunday 6 May

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/326347117890244/

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 17 June

Sunday 1 July

Sunday 5 August

Sunday 2 September – Exeter WCS Rally Flashmob

Sunday 7 October

Sunday 11 November

Sunday 2 December – Annual Christmas Party

5. First May Bank Holiday Monday Freestyle with Fun ICE-Breaker Class, Twickenham, Monday 7 May!

**First May Bank Holiday Monday Freestyle
+ Fun ICE-Breaker Class!**

19:00-23:00, Bank Holiday Monday 7 May

Fun ICE-Breaker Class followed by full evening of uninterrupted pure WCS music, dancing, refreshments & fun with Guest Deejays Paul Abbott and debuting for her very first time, Titis Karweni!

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

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

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Check out our **Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/354329031726750/

Or check out our **Website page**;
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

2018 Bank Holiday Monday Dates:

Monday 28 May – Plus International Rally Flashmob Workshop with Maxime & Torri Zzaoui!

Monday 27 August – Plus International Rally Flashmob Rehearsal

6. Special Guest WCS Workshop with Catriona, Essendon, Sunday 13 May!

Special Guest West Coast Swing Workshop with Top UK WCS Pro Catriona Wiles

13:00-18:00, Sunday 13 May

Catriona will be guest teacher for this month's afternoon of workshops, tea and cake in Hatfield hosted by Kevin Flynn & Heather Cunningham of West Coast Swing London. Come join us for a complete 3 hour workshop working from the FUNdamentals up, covering techniques and concepts essential in bringing you up to a competent social dance level, followed by a chilled social tea dance with friends!

Essendon Village Hall
(10 minutes from Hatfield)
School Lane
Essendon
Hertfordshire
AL9 6HB

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

www.facebook.com/events/235456777196140/

Or check out the **Website page**;
westcoastswinglondon.com/workshops/4562790222

- **£20 Workshop & Tea Dance, £5 Tea Dance Only!**
 - To book, email westcoastswing@me.com or call 07778 650760
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7. Club Jive Monthly WCS Taster Class & Freestyle with Resident Teacher Catriona, Addlestone, Last Friday of Every Month!

West Coast Swing Taster Class with Top UK WCS Pro Catriona Wiles Followed by Social Dancing in the Club Lounge

20:00-23:30, Last Friday of Every Month

Catriona is delighted to be continuing her newly appointed residency as WCS teacher for Club Jive which runs on the last Friday of every month in Addlestone! The class runs for one hour from 20:00-21:00 (including 15 minute warm up session) in the Club Lounge, and is aimed at Beginners/Improvers (no partner is required). After the class there will be plenty of opportunity for freestyle practice in West Coast Swing, Argentine Tango and Blues.

Addlestone Community Centre
Garfield Road
Addlestone
Surrey
KT15 2NJ

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Check out the Club Jive **Facebook group** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/groups/ClubJive/

Or check out the Club Jive **Website page**;
www.clubjive.com/westcoast.html

- **£10 Full Evening – payable on the door!**

2018 Dates:

Friday 25 May
Friday 29 June
Friday 27 July (No Catriona)

Friday 31 August
Friday 28 September
Friday 26 October
Friday 30 November

8. Special Guest Workshop Weekend with Top International Pros Maxime & Torri Zzaoui in Windsor Plus Bank Holiday Monday Rally 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 Rally 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**

New Windsor Community Centre
Hanover Way
Dedworth
Windsor
SL4 5NW

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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

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

- **18:00-20:00: Workshop 5 – “Learn Brand New 2018 International WCS Rally Flashmob Routine with Maxime & Torri”**
- **20:00-23:00: Pure WCS Social**

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Twickenham
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Check out our **main Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/1912875325690652/

Check out our **Rally Flashmob Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/111537503037926/

Or 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 Rally 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 Rally Flashmob workshop + social
- £10 – Monday social only
- Free – Juniors up to and including age 18

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9. International WCS Rally Flashmob 2018 – Get Involved!

It's that time again! Come join us in Central London to perform our division of the brand new 2018 International WCS Rally Flashmob put together by Champion dancers Olivier & Virginie Massart which will take place all over the globe on Saturday 1 September. The idea is to inspire and attract more people into learning our favourite partner dance!

This year will be even more of a collaborative effort, bringing together dancers from WCS groups in and around the city. Co-hosts include Catriona Wiles, Lee Easton, Fabienne Henshall, Coleen Man & others TBA! We have exciting plans for this year's event which will be revealed over the upcoming weeks!

If you'd like to be part of the movement, contact us to register your interest, save the date in your dance diaries and keep your eyes peeled for updates!

www.westcoastswing.co.uk/whats-on/international-wcs-flashmobbing-uk/

Afternoon Onwards, Saturday 1 September 2018
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/233146740769654/

Check out our official **Exeter Event Facebook advert** for quick updates;
www.facebook.com/events/456784158110774/

You might also like to get a sneak peek at the **choreography** via these You Tube links;

Complete video (instructions + demo)
www.youtube.com/watch?v=NFRpYUdu7fY&feature=youtu.be

Demo only
www.youtube.com/watch?v=1oDMmrhSe4k&feature=youtu.be

Happy Dancing! Love Catriona

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