

All England Dance

Update - October 2007

2009 COMPETITION

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING NOTES AND ATTACHED DOCUMENTS CAREFULLY

2007 saw the largest ever entry for the All England Dance Competition. Although this is a reflection of the ever-improving standards of dance, it does present us with a logistical problem in terms of programming and dressing room space, particularly at National Finals.

The Committee has reviewed the rules and we are making some changes for the 2009 Competition. We are writing to teachers now because we appreciate that some of these measures will affect decisions being taken as you choreograph new numbers for 2009.

- Groups will be restricted to no more than 24 dancers.
- Schools may enter only ONE group per age group/discipline at National Finals, although they may still enter TWO at Regional Finals.
- Duets: Dancers may enter only FIVE duets.
- Trios and Quartets continue to be in the same section. Dancers may enter only FIVE trios/quartets.
- A School with a Group placed 1st at the National Finals may not re-enter a Group with the same choreography for the next TWO competitions.

Also enclosed are some revised notes for teachers that will be included in the Syllabus, which will be published in the New Year. You may wish to consider renewing your Teacher Membership early so that you receive a copy of the syllabus as soon as published. Membership is £30 (payable to All England Dance, address below) plus an A5 size self-addressed, stamped (60p) envelope.

A further change we wish to draw to your attention is that the closing date for entries to the Regional Finals will be **1st March 2009**. Easter is very late in 2009 and with some counties now opting to fix the Easter break for the beginning of April, we have decided that a fixed closing date of 1st March will give us certainty for future competitions. This will ensure that we have sufficient time to prepare the programmes for Regional Finals.

Teachers' Forum: Helen Leek of Academy Dance has offered to co-ordinate any feedback from teachers. Her email address is helenmsears@btinternet.com Please feel free to get in touch.

.....and finally,

Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the 28th Annual General Meeting of the
ALL ENGLAND DANCE ASSOCIATION

The Summit Room, Saint George's Hotel Langham Place, London W1 on Sunday, 2nd December 2007 at 2.30 p.m

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the 27th Annual General Meeting
3. Matters Arising
4. To receive the Chairman's Annual Report
5. To receive the Treasurer's report
6. To appoint an Auditor
7. To elect Officers and Members of the Committee
8. To discuss Any Other Business

**Members wishing to raise matters in item 8 should notify the Chairman, at the address below, not later than 25 November*

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