



All England Dance Update -October 2008

*This summer we lost a dear friend and colleague
Malcolm Hickling
Chairman of All England Dance*

Malcolm Hickling was instrumental, with the help of Joanne Marsden-Blackwell, and support from adjudicators and teachers, in re-organising and setting up the present All England Dance Competition in 1983. Travis Kemp was Chairman and Dame Alicia Markova its illustrious President.

By profession, Malcolm was an architect and was involved in the design of many of the public buildings in Northampton. He was a founder member, with Denise Pitt-Draffen, of Northampton Festival, which they started in order to provide a performance opportunity for local dancers once the Sunshine Competition had ended. He received his Long Service Award from the British Federation of Festivals for 25 years' service. This was presented to him at the All England Dance Gala in July 2007.

Malcolm's great love was contemporary dance and he was delighted when it was introduced in 2007 as a section in its own right at the Finals. He served on the AED committee in various capacities over a period of 25 years. In recent times, as Chairman, he visited each of the Regional Finals and presided over the National Finals in London.

Under his direction the Competition has gone from strength to strength and it has given literally thousands of young people performance opportunities - a wonderful legacy.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the 29th Annual General Meeting of the **ALL ENGLAND DANCE ASSOCIATION** will take place on Sunday, 7th December 2008 at 2.30 p.m at The Place, 17 Duke's Road, London WC1H 9PY

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of the 28th Annual General Meeting
3. Matters Arising
4. To receive the Acting 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

**Nomination forms are available from the address below. Members wishing to raise matters in item 8 should notify the Administrator, at the address below, no later than 25 November 2008.*

MOLLY LAKE AWARD 2008

This competition, with its prize of £2000, was held on Sunday 19 October 2008 at the Campus West Theatre in Welwyn Garden City. The winner was Laurretta Summerscales (English National Ballet School)

Laurretta is a former pupil of the Susan Robinson School of Ballet and the Karen Clarke Theatre School. The other finalists were:

*Tierney Heap (Centre Pointe)
Lewis Turner (Elmhurst School of Dance)
James Butcher (Central School of Ballet)
Anna Blackwell (Central School of Ballet)
Ellie Sharpe (English National Ballet School)*

NEW ADJUDICATOR

We are pleased to welcome Jill Baldock to the panel of Adjudicators. Jill's details can be found in the British Federation Yearbook.

A REMINDER FOR TEACHERS

Entries at the Regional and National Finals must be the **same dance** as that which qualified at the local festival – even if it has to be entered in an older age group. Any breach of this rule will result in disqualification in 2009 **and** exclusion of the dancer/s from the 2011 Competition.

and finally....don't forget that renewing your Membership now will save a last minute rush when your pupils' entries for a Regional Final require your signature and current membership number.