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S.I.F.D. DAY COURSE - REVISION DAY

Date: SUNDAY, 12TH FEBRUARY 1995. Time: 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.

Venue: Studio 10, The Place, 17 Duke's Rd., London W.C.1. (near Euston Station).

Cost: £5.00 members, £6.00 non-members, £4.00 concessions.

Tutors: Various, to include Roberto Haddon, Maggie O'Regan and Janet Woolbar.

This is a chance to catch up on those dances you have half-forgotten (or never quite learned). The dances to be taught will include: IYA NO KOHIRIBUSHI (slow Japanese dance taught at York '94 and Aberystwyth '89 Summer Schools); ESMER (Turkish dance taught by Jan Knoppers and danced at several evening dances last summer at York); HALELUYA LEGAL (taught by Fiona Howarth at the '92 Summer School); LA BOURREE DROITE DU PAYS FORT. If you've a dance lurking in the dark corners of your mind that fits into the above category, do 'phone me on 071 609 7098 (evenings) or 071 388 2444 (day-time), and I will try to fit it into the programme.

Only official video recording allowed. Do remember to bring your own drinks and food as the cafe will not be open.

The March S.I.F.D. Day Course will be Manx, with Wood Fiddley Group.

MAGGIE O'REGAN

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SUNDAY DANCES AT CECIL SHARP HOUSE

The Sunday Dances will be on the following dates this year:-

February	5th	July	2nd
March	5th	September	3rd
April	2nd	October	1st
<u>April</u>	<u>30th</u>	November	5th
June	4th	December	3rd

You will notice that the May dance is in April! It looks wrong, but it will feel right.

Membership Night. On 2nd April (the "real" April dance), Central London Group and the Sisters from St.Saviour's Priory will be your M.C.s for an evening suitable for all levels of experience. That is the night that the admission price for non-members will increase to £4.00 (currently £3.50). It is the night, however, when membership will be available on the door, and anyone who joins then will be admitted at the members' rate of £3.00.

More Newcomers, please. Please also be thinking about whom to bring to the Dance on 1st October at which the Badge & Day Course Committee will see you through a programme of dances for all levels of experience including favourites from the day courses. Both these evenings (2nd April and 1st October) will be ideal opportunities to introduce newcomers to international folk dance.

That's three things to remember. See you all dancing.

ANNE LEACH

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DANCE WORLD '95

Following the success of last year's Dance World exhibition, the S.I.F.D. will once again be involved, through the C.C.P.R. with the help of their publicity officer, Peta David. The organizers have introduced many improvements in the organization since last year, so we should be looking to an event worth putting in our diaries.

As you can see from the programmes distributed in the December SIFD NEWS, the S.I.F.D. has been given four workshop slots. For those of you who found these, don't worry - I'm (hopefully) not teaching any workshops. The C.C.P.R. had my name as the contact person and for some reason this has found its way into the programme for each workshop, including two at the same time! I am, however, asking S.I.F.D. teachers if they can help by providing the workshop subjects at the time the organizers have requested, since the programme was printed without time to consult the S.I.F.D.

NICK GREEN

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S.I.F.D. ANNIVERSARY

The Music Committee is looking at producing an S.I.F.D. Anniversary tape for 1996. This would probably be a collection of dances from different countries spanning both new and old repertoire. If anyone has a particular request, please let me know.

NICK GREEN, 10 Parkview House,
Eastbury Road, Watford WD1 4PZ

We were very sorry to hear that Frank Kedge collapsed in the street from a perforated duodenal ulcer and had to undergo emergency treatment at the Hemel Hempstead Hospital. He is now out of hospital and convalescing at home in Kay's capable hands, and we all wish him a speedy recovery and hope that he will soon be dancing again.

JILL BRANSBY, on behalf of The Committee
and all Society members.

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SWANSEA - 28TH JULY TO 4TH(5TH) AUGUST 1995

The responses from members concerning a reunion have been encouraging in numbers but diverse in nature! Some are content with dancing just in the evenings, with the day free for exploring the seaside and country, while others like to feel there will be the opportunity to gather some new material and to revise dances with which they are already familiar. Most favour coming for a week, but there are a few who would like a shorter period, such as a long weekend. Not everyone has to do the same thing and, with the following pattern, we might accommodate most people's wishes. It is emphasized that this is not a formal course to compete with the biennial summer schools.

Starting on a Friday facilitates the choice of a week or so, or a long weekend. The first three or four days could include optional courses in the mornings, afternoons free for informal dance activities, viewing video-tapes etc., and dances in the evenings. The remainder of the week might then include whole-day outings - or a continuation of the previous pattern.

So far, Frank Dowling would be interested in revising some of the Romanian dances he taught in 1981 and teaching other Eastern European dances. French would appear to be popular, and Simon and Joan Guest will endeavour to organize this in co-operation with the Piot family or one of our other French teachers. With at least one further teacher, this should make up a reasonably comprehensive programme. Costs should be reasonable compared with other S.I.F.D. events, and charges will be on a daily basis.

If you have any further ideas, please let us know.

JOAN GUEST
49 Station Road,
Epping
CM16 4HJ

JACK RICHARDSON
Chemical Engineering Dept.,
University,
Seasea
SA2 8PP

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EASTBOURNE FESTIVAL

WANTED URGENTLY, dance requests for International Workshops at Eastbourne. Are there any dances you have always wanted to do, and that would be good for an Eastbourne workshop? If you write to me, at 84 Farm Road, Morden, Surrey SM4 6RB, I will try to fit your request into the programme. It will help with the planning if you give the name, country, a little information about the dance, and the name of someone who can teach it.

There may be a few vacancies for Stewards. Contact Jan Nuttall at the address on the Eastbourne leaflet if you are interested.

HELEN EZRA

S.I.F.D. SHOP

Brand new stock - Clothes Bags in dark blue textured material, waterproof and dustproof, with front 30" zip, reinforced taped seams, 40" x 24". £3.00 each. Suitable for carrying and storing costumes, and your special dresses and suits. Postage & packing £1.00 for one or two items; larger orders at cost of postage. From Claire Steeley, 34 Broadwater Avenue, Letchworth, Herts. SG6 3HF. Tel: 0462 686419.

S.I.F.D. dance tapes and instructions are available from Mrs. Eleanor Gordon, 92 Norbiton Avenue, Kingston-upon-Thames, Surrey KT1 3QP. Tel: 081 549 2998.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.....

Dear Lily,

Day Courses - Place, Date, Time

I have already expressed my opinions on the following to Maggie O'Regan, as I believe it is faster and therefore more effective to contact a Committee direct than to write only to the NEWS, but I also think it important that members see the arguments for the other side.

I like The Place. The floor and accoustics are much better than the St. Paul's Centre - no more jumping on the squeaky board in quiet bits, tables to eat at, a nearby source of prepared food for people who don't want to bring a packed lunch, nearer to a station, easier parking, better heating. There is also a minor publicity benefit - students of other dance disciplines often look through the door and ask questions about what sort of dancing we are doing.

I also prefer Sundays - in fact at the course when Maggie raised the question of a choice between days no-one openly expressed a strong preference for Saturday. I work full time, often go out on Friday evening and need Saturday for sleep and shopping. I would prefer to start a little later, and perhaps have a shorter lunch break. A later start (and shorter day) could also help those who have to travel further. The only course I have missed was the Italian course and the reason was nothing to do with the time or location. I was in America.

Telemark Ski/Dance Week

I have information about a Dancing and Skiing holiday/course in Telemark, Norway, from 25th February to 4th March. The cost, which includes almost everything except beer and chocolate, will be approximately 550Nkr per day. The dancing is mostly the Telespringar, a dance I have become somewhat addicted to; the skiing is cross-country. I have been twice, and enjoyed it so much that I plan to go again this year. If you are interested, please send an s.a.e. or telephone me (address and number on p.2).

JEANETTE HULL

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Dear Lily,

I know that you have ended the correspondence about the badges, but could you please publish this reply to Audrey Walden's letter to me.

"Dear Audrey,

My comments in the November newsletter were based on my experiences as a candidate in the Armenian, Dutch and Mexican badge examinations. I apologize if this was not clear in my letter.

JACQUIE DABNOR"

WORKSHOPS - CORRECT STYLE, THOROUGH LEARNING, FEWER DANCES.....PLEASE!

I am growing increasingly frustrated by the highly COMPLICATED choreographies so often taught at Workshops by visiting Ethnic Experts. Or is it that they present me with TOO MANY dances to absorb? I reckon it's BOTH. Oh for a whole day spent on the thorough learning of three or four dances rather than finishing the day with body and brain crashed out with six or more half-digested routines.

Thorough grasp of anything has to come through the SUBCONSCIOUS, by repeated rehearsal and reflection. And the essential "subconscious revision" which takes place in the ten or fifteen minutes immediately following intense practice (of any thing) must be allowed....with appropriate relaxing breaks. Plenty of spaced-out repetitions of each dance during the day are also needed to ensure the REINFORCEMENT essential to long-term memory (long enough for me to be able to rehearse the dances solo when I get home). And, above all, please allow me and my body to absorb the proper STYLES (which dance notes cannot convey).

Do such workshops exist?

TIM WATSON

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MARTIN IHNS MACEDONIAN DANCE WEEKEND, 18TH/19TH FEBRUARY 1995

February sees the return of Martin Ihns for a short workshop of Macedonian dance. Martin has twice been at Arnside and at other venues and now makes another brief visit to England.

Venue: The Place (Studio 8), Duke Street, London.

Dates: Saturday, 18th February, 1.00 to 5.00 p.m.
Sunday, 19th February, 11.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. Lunch 1.00-2.00.

Cost: £16.50 for the 8 hours over 2 days; £8.50 for any one day. Advance payment of £16.00 will ensure a place on the course for both days.

Some time will be spent on Saturday with dances previously taught but the emphasis will be on dances from cassettes of earlier courses. Tapes and notes will be available and, subject to demand, an authorized video will follow. No other recording will be permitted.

Further details can be obtained from me, tel: 0702 206613 (most times) and advance bookings are recommended for this popular teacher. Please send advance payment to me at 14 Highmead, Hockley, Essex SS5 4QG.

DAVE CARTER

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BENEFIT CONCERT OF BALKAN MUSIC

The Dunav Balkan Group will give a fund-raising concert on Friday, 3rd March, in aid of the "No M.11 Link" campaign. The venue is the Heathcote Arms, Grove Green Road, London E.11. It is on the corner of Richmond Road, just South of the railway bridge where Grove Green Road bends sharply, a few minutes' walk from Leytonstone Station on the Central Line. Doors open 7.30 p.m., concert at 8.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. Pay on the door: £5, £3 concessionary. Enjoy an exciting and atmospheric evening, join in the dances, and support a worthy environmental cause. More information from me on 0181 527 4896.

CAROLINE THOMAS

N.B. Please note that this is not an official S.I.F.D. function. Any views expressed are not those of the Society since, in accordance with our Constitution, we do not support any political causes. JILL BRANSBY

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mar. 10th/12th BALKAN DANCE COURSE with Bianca de Jong at Freshwater Bay, Isle of Wight. Details from Cathy Meunier, 115 Chetwynd Rd., London NW5 1DA. Send s.a.e.

Mar. 11th CELEBRATION/FESTIVAL DANCES with Judy Penaluna at Nutbrook. 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. (coffee/tea from 10.00 a.m.) at Maycliffe Hall, Stapleford, Nottingham. £5 for the day. For further details and travel directions, please contact Janet Simner, 01159 235753.

Mar. 11th/12th BULGARIAN DANCE WEEKEND with Eddy Tijssen, in Ipswich. Saturday 2.00 to 6.00 p.m. Sunday 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. Further details from Sally Fletcher, 106 Westerfield Road, Ipswich IP4 2XN. Tel: 01473 252824.

Mar. 18th POLISH DANCING WITH JACY TACY, 2.00 to 6.00 p.m. at The Place, 17 Dukes Road, Euston. Further details next month. Enquiries to Betty Harvey, 081 980 9650, or Tony Latham, 081 992 9445.

Mar. 25th "GET MOVING", a day of dance for able-bodied and disabled at Hambleton Community Centre, Northallerton. Street Dance, Tap, South Asian, Contemporary, Tai Chi, Aerobics, Ballet, and a session of East European Folk Dance with Marina Wolstenholme. Information from Dawn Tudor, Yorkshire & Humberside Regional Dance Council, 299 Hull Road, York YO1 3LB. Tel: 0904 412843.

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S.I.F.D. BEGINNERS-PLUS DANCE, 18TH MARCH 1995

This is advance notice that there will be a Dance on Saturday, 18th March 1995, at Cecil Sharp House, 8.00 to 11.00 p.m., gauged for beginners but with some slightly more difficult dances to keep the interest of more experienced dancers. The M.C.s will be Anne Leach and Maggie O'Regan. It is not too early to inform any acquaintances who need an introduction to International Dancing. Some publicity fliers will be printed, so please contact me on 081 340 4683 if you would like fliers to hand out.

CASPAR CRONK

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EASTER COURSE AT ARNSIDE

Following the format of previous years, we have invited two teachers to join us at Arnside this year - Tineke val Geel, who will teach Armenian folk dance, and Delyan Demirev, who specializes in Bulgarian dance. The course will begin on the evening of Thursday, 13th April, and will end on the morning of Tuesday, 18th April. Accommodation will be at the Arnside Youth Hostel. Approximate cost: £150-£160.

If interested, please send a stamped addressed envelope to me at 13 Howard Close, Cambridge, Cambs. CB5 8QU.

JANE SINTON

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REMINDER

Dancing, dancing all the way! Jan Knoppers will be returning to teach a long weekend revision course over the Spring Bank Holiday, 27th to 29th May 1995, in Buxton, Derbyshire. Further details and application forms from me, MARINA WOLSTENHOLME, "Robin Cottage, 4 Commercial Rd., Grindleford, Sheffield S30 1HA. Please send s.a.e.

CORRECTION to Ken Gourlay's notice about C8 in the December SIFD NEWS. There are no plans to make a CD of tape C8 "Dancing Into Europe". The Committee.

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IRISH SET DANCING

I would like to call attention to the two Set Dance Workshops with Timmy McCarthy and Connie Ryan as noted in "What's On"(p.11). In the structure of Set Dances one can see the close relationship to 18th and 19th century quadrilles and also to the many four-couple dances of Northern Europe, as well as to American Square Dances. The embellishment of the "battering" steps is probably the fore-runner of Appalachian clogging and provides a challenge for those interested in complex footwork. The greatest appeal, however, is in the excitement of the music and the vitality of the dancers.

Incidentally, Set Dancing is distinct from the more stylized "Ceili" dancing and is also older and more truly "folk dancing". Set Dancing is now experiencing a strong revival, having survived only in the rural communities of Ireland. In the last ten years, there has been a great effort to re-discover the dances from the memories of the elderly. Both Timmy McCarthy and Connie Ryan are excellent teachers from Ireland, though I have a particular liking for the charisma and vitality of Timmy McCarthy.

'Phone the listed contact people as the events are sometimes sold out. In addition to special workshops, there are several weekly classes in London.

CASPAR CRONK

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KOPRIVSHTITSA AND TROYAN FOLK DANCE AND MUSIC HOLIDAY
WEDNESDAY, 2ND AUGUST, TO MONDAY, 14TH AUGUST 1995

Delyan Demirev will lead a dance course, and provide musicians and singing teachers for Bulgarian folk music tuition, in the week following the Festival at Koprivshtitsa. The price of £470 will include: return flight Heathrow/Sofia; half-board accommodation Sofia hotel, 1 night; Koprivshtitsa village rooms, 4 nights; full-board accommodation in hotel near Troyan, 7 nights; festival entry; transport within Bulgaria, including excursions. Not included are dance/music course fees, video permit at festival and travel insurance (necessary). For details, send an s.a.e. to me at 47 Jordan Hill, Oxford OX2 8EU. DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CONFIRMATION.

ROGER WICKSTEED

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Helen Wilkes (Oxford Balkansko Oro) and Chris Thompson are delighted to announce the birth of their daughter, Frances Nina, on 9th January. We would love to see dancing friends if anyone is visiting Oxford at any time. HELEN WILKES

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MUSIC A North American tune from Wilf Horrocks thismonth, on p.10. Please let Wilf know if you would like the music for a particular dance. Tel: 081 642 3629.

SIFD Associated and Affiliated classes February 1995

The following information is derived from a database. Each Group/Class contact has been sent their own details for checking. Any mistakes which have crept back in afterwards are my fault.

"As" or "Af" after the group/class name signifies Associated or Affiliated.

Where there are two lines of names, those on the first line are the teachers and those in the second line are alternative contacts.

The Groups/Classes are listed by LOCALITY and day of the week. I have not divided them into general and specialist because some are borderline – general but with an emphasis on certain kinds of dance.

Richard Mellish

BIRMINGHAM Tuesday term time
Selpar S.I.F.D.
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.00
 Queensbridge School, Moseley,
 Birmingham
 Sybil Chapman
 Mrs Juliet Mackintosh 0121 777 4300

BIRMINGHAM Wednesday
Heart of England
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.30
 Lyndon School, Daylesford Road,
 Sheldon, Solihull, West Midlands
 Mrs Juliet Mackintosh

BIRMINGHAM Wednesday
Sumadia FDG (Af)
SOUTH SLAV 7.30 - 9.30
 St Lazar Church Hall, 131 Cob Lane,
 Bourneville, Birmingham B30 1QE
 Mrs Mara Cirjanic / Mr Dragan

BRADFORD Sunday
Tokaji Hungarian F.D.G. (Af)
HUNGARIAN 3.30 - 5.30
 Willowfield Centre,
 88 Legrams Lane, Bradford 7
 Ruth Richardson
 Mrs R Novak

BRISTOL Thursday term time
Bristol IFDG (Af)
GENERAL, MAINLY CIRCLES AND LINES 7.30 - 9.30
 St Ursula's School, Brecon Road,
 Henleaze, Bristol BS9
 Hilda Sturge 0117 962 1802
 General international, Balkan bias.
 Telephone to check venue.
 Perform in costume occasionally, when asked.

BROMLEY, London
 Tuesday term time till May
Bromley International Class (As)
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.30
 Widmore Centre, Nightingale Lane,
 Bromley
 Fiona Howarth 0181 460 2305
 General, mainly lines and circles

BUXTON Wednesday
Buxton & District
Scottish Dance Society (Af)
SCOTTISH 8.00 - 10.00
 St Peter's Church Hall,
 Fairfield, Buxton
 Pat Phillips
 Dr H Phillips 01 298 24450

BUXTON Thursday
Frith Folk IFDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.45 - 9.45
 Kings Arms Hotel, Chapel-en-le-Frith
 Pat Phillips 01 298 24450

CAMBRIDGE Monday ex. bank hol.
Cambridge International Club (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 8.30 - 10.30
 Gibson Hall, St Columba's Church,
 4a Downing Place, Cambridge
 Pat Schicker / Dave Wate
 Mike A Gilbert 01 223 425 648
 Aim is for Cambridge residents and visitors to get to know each other.
 Dancing is main activity.
 All dances taught, none very difficult.
 Live music every 6 weeks or so.

COVENTRY area Tuesday term time
Arden International FDG
GENERAL INTL. 8.00 - 9.45
 Balsall Primary School,
 Balsall Street E.,
 Balsall Common, Nr. Coventry
 Grace Pitman
 Mrs Juliet Mackintosh 0121 777 4300

EDINBURGH Monday
Edinburgh IFDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.30
 Stockbridge House, Cheyne Street,
 Edinburgh
 Margaret & Dennis Belford
 Kirsty Evans 0131 337 4638

EDINBURGH Wednesday
Edinburgh IFDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.00
 St Ann's Community Centre, South
 Gray's Close (off the Cowgate)
 Margaret & Dennis Belford
 Kirsty Evans 0131 337 4638
 Advanced

EDINBURGH Thursday
Zdravets Edinburgh Balkan FDG(Af)
BALKAN MOSTLY 8.00 - 9.30
 St Ninian's Church Hall, Comely Bank,
 Edinburgh
 Graham Crowder 0131 334 2891
 Occasional performances in costume

ESSEX Thursday ex. 2nd
Havering IFDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 8.00 - 10.00
 Chadwick Hall, Main Road,
 Gidea Park, Romford
 George Sweetland
 Mrs J Burton 01708 459 836

FOLKESTONE
 Tuesday Sept to May/June
Folkestone District National D G (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.30
 Community Hall, United Reformed
 Church, Castle Hill Avenue
 John Whittaker
 Pat Clarke 01 303 249 199

HANTS Monday term time
Gosport & Fareham Interfolk Gp(Af)
GENERAL INTL. 10.00 - 11.00am
 St Vincent College, Gosport
 Mrs M Head
 Adult education class organised by college

HANTS Friday term time
Gosport & Fareham Interfolk Gp(Af)
GENERAL INTL. 9.30 - 10.30am
 St John's Church, Fareham
 Mrs M Head
 adult education class organised by college

HARROW, London Monday
Harrow Folk Dance Club (Af)
UK plus GENERAL INTL.
 7.30 - 9.55
 Belmont First School, Hibbert Road (off
 Locket Road), Harrow Weald
 Mr John Lawes 0181 907 4700

HERTS Thursday
Wigginton International FDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.45 - 9.45
 Wigginton School, Wigginton, near
 Tring
 Ms M Cullen
 Performances in a simple peasant
 costume

HIGH WYCOMBE
 Monday ex summer holiday
Wycombe FDC (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 8.00 - 10.00
 Sir William Ramsay School, Rose
 Avenue, Hazlemere, Bucks
 Uri Gerson
 Balkan & Israeli bias

KENT Tuesday
Woodvale International FDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 8.00 - 10.00
 Borough Green Parish Hall, Quarry Hill,
 Borough Green, Kent
 Alan Cant
 David Mckie 01 732 885 048
 Beginners 7.15 to 8.15, Regular meeting
 8.00 to 10.00

LEEDS Thursday
Loidis IFDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.45 - 10.00
 Moor Allerton Memorial Hall, Stonegate
 Road, Mootown, Leeds 17
 Mrs Lorna Ramsden
 Mrs Shirley Priest 01 924 371 419

LETCHWORTH Friday
Rainmakers International D G (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 8.00 - 10.00
 St Michael's Church Hall, The
 Broadway, Letchworth
 Jill Bransby
 Mark Balaam 01 462 454 210

LONDON occasional
Jacy Tacy (As)
POLISH
 By arrangement
 Tony Latham / Betty Harvey
 0181 992 9445
 Watch SIFD News for notice of meetings

LONDON Monday term time
Zivko Firfov Folklore Group (As)
CROATIAN, SERBIAN,
MACEDONIAN 6.30 - 9.00
 The Abbey Community Centre, 34 Great
 Smith Street, London, SW1
 Ken Ward 0181 771 8258

LONDON Monday
Martisorul Romanian FDC (As)
ROMANIAN 7.00 - 9.00
 1A Centre, 1A Rosebery Avenue,
 London, EC1
 Sorin Troaca
 Leslie Haddon 0181 441 2959

LONDON Monday (but phone to check)
Kalinka Dancers (Af)
RUSSIAN, UKRAINIAN,
MOLDAVIAN etc 7.30 - 9.00
 Unitarian Church Hall, Ormond Road,
 Richmond, Surrey
 Ms J Graman 0181 876 0514
 All grades, age group 16-60, beginners
 welcome

LONDON Tuesday
Doina Eastern European FDC (As)
EASTERN EUROPEAN 7.00 - 9.00
 United Reformed Church, 7 Wakefield
 Street, London, WC1
 Leslie Haddon 0181 441 2959

LONDON Tuesday term time
Cheam (As)
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.30
 Cheam High School, Chatsworth Road,
 Sutton
 Joy Steventon 0181 542 3831
 beginners/intermediate

LONDON Tuesday June - Aug
Merton and Cheam summer class (As)
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.30
 Martin Way Methodist Church Hall,
 Martin Way, Morden, Surrey
 Jeanette Hull / Helen Ezra 0181 640
 5267
 Visitors welcome

LONDON Tuesday
Anachnu Israeli Dance Group (Af)
ISRAELI 7.45 - 9.45
 St James's Kidbrooke Church Hall,
 Kidbrooke Park Road, London SE3
 Judy Ingram 0181 858 5436

LONDON Tuesday
Israel Folk Dance Institute (Af)
ISRAELI & JEWISH 8.00 - 10.30
Habonim-Dror Youth Centre, 523
Finchley Road, London, NW3
Israel Folkdance Institute
0181 446 6427 / 0181 445 6765
Beginners 8.00 - 9.30 Beginners Plus
9.00 - 10.30
Please write for prospectus or phone.
Oranim Dance Group performs in
costume.

LONDON 2nd & 4th Tuesday
Scandia (As)
SCANDINAVIAN 7.00 - 9.00
The Hemingford Arms, Hemingford
Road (corner of Offord Road), N1
Liz Mellish 01 923 249 704
Bygdedans & Gammeldans
i.e. turning couple dances

LONDON Wednesday term time + extr
Beskydy Dancers (Af)
CZECH & SLOVAK 7.00 - 9.30
Room 308, Imperial College, 180
Queensgate, S. Kensington, London
SW7
Mrs H Fromings 0181 699 8597
Live music
Incorporate singing in the dances

LONDON Wednesday term time
Merton Park Int'l Folk Dancers (As)
GENERAL (ADVANCED) 7.30 - 9.30
Merton Adult College, Whatley Avenue,
London, SW20
Phil & Brenda Steventon
0181 397 9649

LONDON Wednesday term time
Central London IFDG (As)
GENERAL INTL. 7.00 - 9.00
Kingsway College, Grays Inn Centre,
Sidmouth Street, WC1
Janet Woolbar

LONDON Wednesday
Croxley Green IFDG (As)
GENERAL INTL. 8.00 - 10.00
Red Cross Centre, Barton Way, Croxley
Green, Rickmansworth
Joyce Sharp 01 923 228 080

LONDON Wednesday
Iberian Folk Dance & Music Soc (Af)
SPANISH/PORTUGUESE 6.00 - 8.00
Swiss Cottage Community Centre, 19
Winchester Road, London, NW3
Juanita Martin / June Cole
Marion Morris
spanish & portuguese folk dances
collected by Lucile Armstrong

LONDON 1st & 3rd Wednesday
London Turkish FDG (Af)
TURKISH 7.30 - 9.30
1A Centre, 1A Rosebery Avenue,
London, EC1
Ibrahim Tastaban et al
Pauline H Welch 0181 393 1919

LONDON Thursday term time
Merton Park Int'l Folk Dancers (As)
GENERAL (BEGINNERS)
10.30am - 12.00
S.C.O.L.A., St Nicholas Way,
Sutton, Surrey
Brenda Steventon 0181 397 9649

LONDON Thursday term time
Copland International Class (As)
GENERAL INTL. 7.00 - 8.30
Copland Community School, Cecil
Avenue, Wembley, Middx
Janet Woolbar

LONDON Thursday
Balaton Hungarian FDC (As)
HUNGARIAN 7.00 - 9.00
The Old Gym, Gray's Inn Centre,
Sidmouth Street, WC1
Leslie Haddon 0181 441 2959

LONDON Thursday
Israel Folk Dance Institute (Af)
ISRAELI & JEWISH 8.00 - 11.00
Habonim-Dror Youth Centre, 523
Finchley Road, London, NW3
Israel Folk Dance Institute
0181 446 6427 (day)
0181 445 6765 (eve)
Beginners 8.00 - 9.30
Int/advanced 8.00 - 11.00
Please write for prospectus or phone.
Oranim Dance Group performs in
costume.

LONDON 1st/3rd/5th Friday; phone
to check
Feltham Balkan Dance Club (As)
BALKAN 8.00 - 10.30
Hanworth Youth Centre, Hounslow
Road, Hanworth, Middx
Philip Dobison
Mary Dobison 0181 384 9001

LONDON Friday ex. August
Barnet Int'l Folk Dance Club (As)
BALKAN 8.00 - 10.30
Church House, Wood Street, Barnet,
Herts
Brian Dowsett
Irene Nicholls 0181 440 1366
Mainly Balkan
No membership fee
Performances in costume occasionally

LONDON Friday term time
Merton Park Int'l Folk Dancers (As)
GENERAL (BEGINNERS) 7.30 - 9.30
Kingston Adult Education, N. Kingston
Centre, Richmond Rd., Kingston
Phil & Brenda Steventon
0181 397 9649

LONDON Friday except August
Croxley Green IFDG (As)
GENERAL INTL. 2.15 - 3.45
Community Centre, off Barton Way,
Croxley Green, Rickmansworth
Joyce Sharp
01 923 228 080

LONDON Friday term time
Tatry Polish Song & Dance Grp (Af)
POLISH 7.30 - 9.30
usually POSK, 238-246 King Street,
Ravenscourt Park, W6 (phone first)
Ms Renata Urbaniak
Leszek Bojanowski
0181 673 7359

LONDON 3rd Saturday ex. Aug
Balkanplus (Af)
BALKAN 7.00 - 10.30
Working Men's College, Crowndale
Road, London, NW1 1TR
Brian Dowsett (chairman)
Stella Carter 01702 207 447
Mainly Balkan, sometimes live music.
"A forum for all balkan dance groups"
Also courses, music workshops,
concerts.
Preferential rates for members.

MANCHESTER Tuesday ex. August
Barlow Int'l Folk Dance Club (Af)
GENERAL esp. BALKAN & ISRAELI
7.45 - 10.15
Wilbraham St Ninians, United Reformed
Church Hall, Egerton Road South,
Chorlton-cum-Hardy
Julie Korth
Joan Wood
0161 881 1077
Junior section - 6 - 11 yrs 6.45-7.45
Perform in costume occasionally

NEWCASTLE Monday term time
Kayroma IFDG (Af)
GENERAL incl. SPAIN, PORTUGAL,
MEXICO 7.30
Whitley Bay High School, Deneholm,
Whitley Bay
Kay Poole
01 661 852 495
Visitors welcome

NEWPORT Tuesday ex. August
Newport IFDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.00 - 10.00
Brynglas House, Brynglas Road,
Newport, Gwent
Sue Oates
01 633 246 241
beginners 7 to 8.30
advanced 8.30 to 10

NORWICH Tuesday all year
Norwich IFDG (Af)
GENERAL: MAINLY BALKAN /
E. EUROPEAN 8.00 - 11.00
St Alban's Church Hall, Grove Walk,
Norwich
Claire Shearman
01 603 58525

OLDHAM Wednesday, except
late Aug / early Sept
**Capriol Historical Dance
& Musik Group (Af)**
HISTORICAL 7.30
Community Centre, Union Street,
Oldham, Lancs
Mr J B Cartmell
George Dickison
0161 766 8208
2nd contact Bob Jones 0161 624 1583
early dance - 13th-19th centuries
various countries

OXFORD Wednesday all year
Oxford IFDG (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 8.15 - 10.00
St Giles' Parish Rooms, 10 Woodstock
Road, Oxford
David Mowat
Diana Jean Porteus 01 865 241 584

OXFORD Thursday
Oxford Balkansko Oro Group (Af)
BALKAN 8.30 - 10.00
St Margaret's Parish Institute Hall,
Polstead Road, (off Woodstock Rd.)
Roger Wickstead 01 865 511 898
Performances in costume occasionally

SHEFFIELD area Monday term time
Hope Valley Dancers (As)
GENERAL, esp BALKAN & ISRAELI
7.15 - 9.00
Hope Valley College, Castleton Road,
Hope
Marina Wolstenholme 01 433 630 183
Welcoming group, specialising in dances
in lines and circles.
No partners or experience necessary.
Opportunities to attend courses and
holidays.

SHEFFIELD / CHESTERFIELD area.
Thursday term time
Dronfield Dancers (As)
GENERAL, esp. BALKAN & ISRAELI
7.30 - 9.30
Gladys Buxton Centre, Oakhill Road,
Dronfield
Marina Wolstenholme 01 433 630 183
Small friendly group, specialising in
dances without partners.
Opportunities to go with others
on courses and holidays.

SURREY Wednesday ex. 3rd
Greek Choros Group (Af)
GREEK 7.30 - 10.00
St Mary's Church Hall, St Mary's Road,
East Molesey
Mr R E Butler 01 932 224 654

SWANSEA Tuesday term time
Swansea University IFDG (As)
GENERAL INTL. 7.45 - 10.00
Senior Common Room Bar, Fulton
House, University College, Singleton
Park,
Joan Richardson 01 792 403 153

WINCHESTER Thursday ex. August
Hursley Int'l Folk Dancers (Af)
GENERAL, MAINLY E EUROPEAN
& ISRAELI 7.30 - 10.00
IBM Clubhouse, Hursley Park, Hursley,
Winchester
Syd Chapman
E Janke 01 962 844 433
Beginners every first Thursday
Live music some weeks
Bar and food available
Visitors and new members welcome

WORCESTER Monday term time
Worcester (King's School) Group (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.30 - 9.30
New Passey Hall, The King's School,
Worcester
Roderick Marshall
Tim Watson 01 905 350 237

WORTHING No regular meetings
Interdance Worthing (Af)
GENERAL INTL.
Iris Birch 01 903 691 651
Watch SIFD news

WORTHING Friday
Dance International (Worthing) (Af)
GENERAL INTL. 7.00 - 10.00
The Pavilion, Field Place,
Worthing (nr Durrington Station)
Carol Simpson / Betty Dowell
Terry Beaumont / Jean Chennel
01 903 761 532 / 01 903 505 763
Beginners and visitors welcome.
Perform in costume occasionally,
but not authentic costume.

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