

WINTERGARDENS

—BLACKPOOL—

SYLLABUS

Thirty Fifth Annual

British National Dance Championships

presented by Leisure Parcs Ltd.

All Championships recognised by the British Dance Council

19th to 21st NOVEMBER 2009

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THURSDAY, 19th NOVEMBER, 2009

Class A NORTH OF ENGLAND AMATEUR BALLROOM DANCING CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£530**.

1st Couple £130, 2nd Couple £110, 3rd Couple £95, 4th Couple £80, 5th Couple £65, 6th Couple £50

Open to all Amateur Couples who are Amateurs under the rules of the British Dance Council, and are 16 years of age or over, who must be qualified by birth or residence (more than 12 months immediately prior to the event) for the area covered by the Championship which comprises the counties of Cumbria, Northumberland, Tyne & Wear, Durham, Cleveland, Lancashire, Greater Manchester, Merseyside, Cheshire, North Yorkshire, West Yorkshire, South Yorkshire, Humberside, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire, Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Staffordshire, Shropshire, West Midlands.

Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO, QUICKSTEP and VIENNESE WALTZ.

Competitors will be required to dance the Viennese Waltz in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Class A1 BRITISH NATIONAL SENIOR (OVER 35's) BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£530**.

1st Couple £130, 2nd Couple £110, 3rd Couple £95, 4th Couple £80, 5th Couple £65, 6th Couple £50.

Open to all Couples who are Amateurs under the rules of the British Dance Council, and are over 35 years of age. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO, QUICKSTEP and VIENNESE WALTZ.

Competitors will be required to dance the Viennese Waltz in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Exemption: Exemption from the First Round will be granted to those couples who reached the highest 24 places in the 2008 British National Senior Ballroom Championship. The exemptions only apply to the same partnership as existed in the aforesaid event, and not to the competitors individually.

Class A2 BRITISH NATIONAL UNDER 21 YEARS LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP

OVER 16 AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£500**.

1st Couple £125, 2nd Couple £110, 3rd Couple £90, 4th Couple £70, 5th Couple £60, 6th Couple £45.

Open to all couples who are Amateurs under the Rules of the British Dance Council, and are over 16 and under 21 years of age on

Thursday, November 19th 2009. Proof of age may be required. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the CHA-CHA-CHA, SAMBA, RUMBA, PASO DOBLE and JIVE. Competitors will be required to dance the JIVE in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Class A3 BRITISH NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL SOUTH AMERICAN SHOWDANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: 1st-CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£575**.

This event is held to select the couple(s) who will represent Great Britain in the 2010 World & European Showdance Championships.

Class A4 BRITISH NATIONAL OVER 50's LATIN COMPETITION

PRIZES: 1st-CHALLENGE TROPHY.

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

CASH PRIZES to the Value of **£500**.

1st Couple £125, 2nd Couple £110, 3rd Couple £90, 4th Couple £70, 5th Couple £60, 6th Couple £45.

Open to all couples who are Amateurs under the Rules of the British Dance Council, and are over 50 years of age. The lady and gentleman must both be over 50 years of age. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the CHA-CHA-CHA, SAMBA, RUMBA and PASO DOBLE.

Please dress appropriately with the Lady's choice of Competition Dress an acceptable style to your age group.

Class A5 BRITISH NATIONAL LATIN FORMATION DANCING CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: FOR TEAMS OF SIX TO EIGHT COUPLES GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY.

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

1st CASH PRIZE £165 to the Teacher of the Winning Team, together with **CASH PRIZE £180** to the members of the Winning Team.

This Competition is open to Teams of Amateurs, entered and coached by a Teacher who is a member of a recognised Association. The number of couples comprising a Team must be Six to Eight. This Team MUST be registered with the British Dance Council

The dances must be selected from and confined to the accepted Latin Dances.

FRIDAY, 20th NOVEMBER, 2009

Class B BRITISH NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

PRIZE MONEY amounting to over **£2,325**.

The **PRIZE MONEY** will be allocated for **EACH DANCE** as follows:

1st Couple £120, 2nd Couple £95, 3rd Couple £80, 4th Couple £70, 5th Couple £55, 6th Couple £45.

A cash prize of **£30** will be awarded to each couple who are recalled in the SEMI-FINAL round in all five dances but are not selected to dance in the FINAL.

Open to all Professional couples who are registered with the British Dance Council, 16 years of age or over. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the CHA-CHA-CHA, SAMBA, RUMBA, PASO DOBLE and JIVE. All entrants will be required to compete in the five dances and each dance will be adjudicated separately.

Prizes will be awarded to the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth in each dance. The Couples showing the best all-round standard in the five dances will be declared the BRITISH NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL LATIN CHAMPIONS and will hold the Grand Challenge Trophy for a period of 12 months.

Class B1 BRITISH NATIONAL AMATEUR BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£600**.

1st Couple £145, 2nd Couple £125, 3rd Couple £110, 4th Couple £90, 5th Couple £75, 6th Couple £55.

Open to all Couples who are Amateurs under the rules of the British Dance Council, and are 16 years of age or over. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO, QUICKSTEP and VIENNESE WALTZ. Competitors will be required to dance the Viennese Waltz in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Class B2 BRITISH NATIONAL SENIOR (OVER 35's) LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£530**.

1st Couple £130, 2nd Couple £110, 3rd Couple £95, 4th Couple £80, 5th Couple £65, 6th Couple £50.

Open to all couples who are Amateurs under the rules of the British Dance Council, and are over 35 years of age. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the CHA-CHA-CHA, SAMBA, RUMBA, PASO DOBLE and JIVE. Competitors will be required to dance the Jive in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Class B3 BRITISH NATIONAL OVER 50's BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£500**.

1st Couple £125, 2nd Couple £110, 3rd Couple £85, 4th Couple £70, 5th Couple £60, 6th Couple £50.

Open to all couples who are Amateurs under the rules of the British Dance Council, and are over 50 years of age. The lady and the gentleman must both be over 50 years of age. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO and QUICKSTEP.

SATURDAY, 21st NOVEMBER, 2009

Class C BRITISH NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months

PRIZE MONEY amounting to over **£2,325**.

The **PRIZE MONEY** will be allocated for **EACH DANCE** as follows:

1st Couple £120, 2nd Couple £95, 3rd Couple £80, 4th Couple £70, 5th Couple £55, 6th Couple £45.

A cash prize of **£30** will be awarded to each couple who are recalled in the SEMI-FINAL round in all five dances but are not selected to dance in the FINAL.

Open to all Professional Couples who are registered with the British Dance Council, 16 years of age or over. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO, QUICKSTEP and VIENNESE WALTZ. All entrants will be required to compete in the five dances, and each dance will be adjudicated separately. Prizes will be awarded to the First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth and Sixth in each dance. The Couple showing the best all-round standard in the five dances will be declared the BRITISH NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL BALLROOM CHAMPIONS, and will hold the Grand Challenge Trophy for a period of 12 months.

Class C1 BRITISH NATIONAL AMATEUR LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£600**.

1st Couple £145, 2nd Couple £125, 3rd Couple £110, 4th Couple £90, 5th Couple £75, 6th Couple £55.

Open to all couples who are Amateurs under the rules of the British Dance Council, and are 16 years of age or over. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the CHA-CHA-CHA, SAMBA, RUMBA, PASO DOBLE and JIVE. Competitors will be required to dance Jive in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Class C2 BRITISH NATIONAL UNDER 21 YEARS BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP

OVER 16 AND UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE

PRIZES: 1st-GRAND CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

CASH PRIZES to the value of **£500**.

1st Couple £125, 2nd Couple £110, 3rd Couple £90, 4th Couple £70, 5th Couple £60, 6th Couple £45.

Open to all couples who are Amateurs under the rules of the British Dance Council, and are over 16 and under 21 years of age on **Saturday, November 21st, 2009**. Competitors will be required to dance the Viennese Waltz in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Proof of age may be required. Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO, QUICKSTEP and VIENNESE WALTZ.

Class C3 BRITISH NATIONAL JUNIOR LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP

OVER 12 AND UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE

PRIZES: 1st-CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months.

TROPHIES to be presented to all finalists.

Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the CHA-CHA-CHA, SAMBA, RUMBA, PASO DOBLE and JIVE. Competitors will be required to dance Jive in the Semi-Final and Final only.

Class C4 BRITISH NATIONAL JUNIOR BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP

OVER 12 AND UNDER 16 YEARS OF AGE

PRIZES: 1st-CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months

TROPHIES to be presented to all finalists.

Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO and QUICKSTEP.

Class C5 BRITISH NATIONAL JUVENILE LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP

OVER 6 AND UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE

PRIZES: 1st-CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months

TROPHIES to be presented to all finalists.

Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the CHA-CHA-CHA, SAMBA, RUMBA and JIVE.

Class C6 BRITISH NATIONAL JUVENILE BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP

OVER 6 AND UNDER 12 YEARS OF AGE

PRIZES: 1st-CHALLENGE TROPHY

Winners to hold for a period of 12 months

TROPHIES to be presented to all finalists.

Judging will be based on "All-round" efficiency in the WALTZ, FOXTROT, TANGO and QUICKSTEP.

In the event of Television coverage or production of a Video Recording for commercial purposes of any Competition or Championship event, all Competitors and Patrons agree that the rights to any fees from such television or video recording will vest solely with the Blackpool Winter Gardens (The Organisers) and no Competitors, Patrons or Associations shall have any claim against the Organisers, Television Company or Video Producer at any such event.

RULES - The Championships will be conducted under the Rules of the British Dance Council.

ENTRY - There will be an Entry Fee for First Round/Day for each competition which includes General Admission to the Ballroom and all Competitors will defray their own travelling expenses. - **Entry to the Competitions will not be accepted unless it is accompanied with the relevant Entry Fee Form** and should be in the hands of the Festival Organiser not later than **Friday, 2nd October**. All Entries will be acknowledged by post within 7 days of receipt of Entry. Should competitors not receive a letter of confirmation within seven days of the closing date, please contact the Organiser.

All Amateur Competitors **MUST** be registered with a recognised National Amateur Association, and will be required to quote their registration number on the Entry Form. This rule applies to both the lady and gentleman.

All Professional Competitors in the Championship events must be registered with the British Dance Council.

If any Competitor withdraws from any Championship after entry, immediate notification in writing should be made. Failure to do this renders them liable to disqualification from entering any future events.

The Management reserve the right to limit the number of entries accepted in any of the Championships.

PLEASE NOTE - No late entries will be accepted and there will be no spare numbers, nor will anyone be allowed to dance in place of competitors who have not claimed their numbers.

The decision of the Adjudicators is to be taken as final.

The aggregate votes of the Adjudicators in the early rounds, and the individual placings of each Adjudicator in the Final Rounds, will be available on the Official Dance Festival website after the conclusion of the Festival.

COMPETITOR'S PRACTICE:

The Winter Gardens Ballroom will be open for Competitor's practice on Thursday from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., Friday from 10.30 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. and Saturday 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. Public and Competitors will be admitted on production of Season/Daily Admission Tickets without extra charge.

Would patrons please note that the Ballroom will be closed for private rehearsal on Thursday: from 12.30 p.m.

ADMISSION AND RESERVED SEATS (Including VAT at 15%)

Adult General Admission each day..... £17.00

Child General Admission each day..... £9.50

A Season Ticket is available for all events..... £36.00

Reserved Seats (Ground Floor and 1st Balcony)

At an additional charge each day of:..... £8.50

**All seats are reserved from the start of the competitions
each day for patrons who have purchased seat tickets.**

**All bookings are subject to a £2.00 Administration charge.
These prices are subject to any variation in rate of Value Added Tax.**

BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS

1. Applications by Post may be made at any time but should reach the Festival Bookings Office, Winter Gardens, Church Street, Blackpool FY1 1HW by 2nd October, 2009. Seats will be allocated from this date.
2. They are to be accompanied by your remittance. Cheques payable to Leisure Parcs Ltd.
3. Ticket Reference Letters will be posted Friday, 30th October. On production of your Ticket Reference Number letter, you can collect your ticket envelope from within the Winter Gardens, commencing Wednesday, 18th November.
4. All applications are subject to availability.
5. Preference will be given to those purchasing Season Tickets and seats for the full Festival.
6. There will be NO REFUNDS on Season Tickets or Daily Admission Ticket including the Competitor Entry Fee if a Competitor withdraws.
7. For Refunds on Seats please contact the Dance Festival Office by Thursday, 12th November at the latest.