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# Quarterly

## Newsletter

### *New Registry Events*

We would like to welcome the following new Registry Event that was approved during the 3rd quarter of 2019:

**Mad Mad West** in Madrid, Spain;  
April 30 - May 3, 2020

Since January 2018, we have approved 15 new events! If you wish to qualify as a WSDC Registry event, please check first to make sure you meet the time and distance rules from other existing WSDC Registry events, your event is in a hotel and that it is a 3-day event. When launching your trial event, ask the WSDC Board lots of questions! Demery Leyva is available for guidance and will assist you in getting questions answered about scoring and judging **before and during** your trial event as we want you to be successful! Communication is the key to success! The WSDC Board is your partner in

maintaining the integrity of scoring and judging. Issues with scoring or judging are usually avoidable. We are hopeful that the creation of a WSDC Chief Judge Certification program will help lower the number of applications that are denied due to scoring and judging issues. If that happens, we will always review the errors with you. You can reapply, and we will assist you so that your next attempt is successful, and you join our community of WSDC Registry Events!

### *NEW EVENT REQUIREMENTS*

Effective **January 1, 2020**, Trial Events will need to reach a minimum of 80 unique skill level competitors to apply for WSDC Registry Event status. In reviewing event data, the WSDC Board found the threshold of 60 was too low and that a  
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### *Mark Scheuffele retires from the WSDC Board of Directors*

Mark Scheuffele has retired from the WSDC Board of Directors.

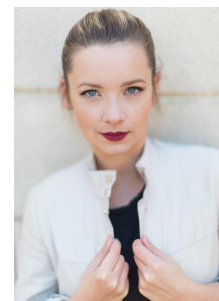
Mark has been dancing in our community for 3 decades. He started teaching country dances with his sister when he was 16. He is affectionately known as “Mark the Marine” and found opportunities to keep dancing while serving our country for 20 years. He has been an active competitor, winning and placing in Jack and Jill’s, Strictly Swings, Classic and Showcase competitions. In recent years he has been on judging panels and served as a Chief Judge.

The World Swing Dance Council Board wishes to thank

Mark for his years of dedicated service to the WSDC and our dance community. After being a huge supporter and contributor to the WSDC for many years, Mark officially joined the WSDC Board in November 2014. He has been invaluable on many fronts, from his role as Treasurer, managing our website and implementing changes to our Points Registry and Registry Event database. We know that Mark will continue to be an active member in our community and a friend to the council.

### *New Board Member Estelle Bonnaire*

Estelle comes from France, where she has been involved with dancing since age 13, initially with Lindy Hop, and eventually WCS. She travels extensively throughout Europe and North America, where she competes, teaches, judges, and chief judges. She is known for her passion for the dance, joyful personality, and graceful dancing. The WSDC Board is thrilled that Estelle is joining us and will be representing our international swing community.



### Registry Events

#### October—December 2019

WSDC Trial Events are shown in blue.

- **BOOGIE BY THE BAY (NASDE)**  
October 3-6, 2019
- **ATLANTA SWING CLASSIC**  
October 10-13, 2019
- **WCS FESTIVAL**  
October 11-13, 2019
- **MILAN MODERN SWING**  
October 11-14, 2019
- **PARADISE COUNTRY & SWING DANCE FESTIVAL**  
October 17-20, 2019
- **EUROPEAN SWING CHALLENGE**  
October 18-21, 2019
- **SWUSTLICIOUS**  
October 18-20, 2019
- **MONTREAL WESTIE FEST**  
October 18-20, 2019
- **SWING CITY CHICAGO**  
October 24-27, 2019
- **HALLOWEEN SWINGTHING**  
October 24-27, 2019
- **THE NEW ZEALAND OPEN**  
October 25-27, 2019
- **WARSAW HALLOWEEN SWING**  
Oct 31 - Nov 4, 2019
- **WESTIE ANGELS**  
Oct 31 - Nov 3, 2019
- **MOUNTAIN MAGIC DANCE CONVENTION**  
Oct 31 - Nov 3, 2019
- **SCANDINAVIAN OPEN WCS**  
Oct 31 - Nov 3, 2019
- **TAMPA BAY CLASSIC (NASDE)**  
Oct 31 - Nov 3, 2019
- **MOSCOW WESTIE FEST**  
November 1-4, 2019
- **SEA TO SKY SEATTLE**  
November 7-11, 2019
- **AUTUMN SWING CHALLENGE**  
November 8-10, 2018
- **SWINGIN' NEW ENGLAND DANCE FESTIVAL**  
On Hiatus

**NEW EVENT REQUIREMENTS (CONTINUED)**

a threshold of 80 unique skill level competitors is a stronger indicator of community growth and readiness of WSDC Registry Event success. However, events that apply for Registry Event status in 2019 and have their Trial Events approved or under review before the end of 2019 will be grandfathered into the lower threshold of a minimum of 60 unique skill level competitors.

**PAY MEMBERSHIP DUES ELECTRONICALLY**

Over 95 percent of our members are paying their membership dues and fees electronically online. Going forward we are requiring all payments to be made electronically. The WSDC pays for the PayPal administration fees when you pay your invoices online. You can also pay invoices using quickbooks. We appreciate your compliance with this requirement, it streamlines our bookkeeping and saves costs.

**WSDC IS MOVING FORWARD WITH THE CHIEF JUDGE CERTIFICATION AND TRAINING PROGRAM**

WSDC Board is delighted to announce that it is moving forward with its plans for a Chief Judge certification and training program, based on feedback from the Event Director survey and discussion during the General Membership Meeting, held June 29, 2019. The Board is in the process of developing the program details now.

**DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH YOUR WSDC COMPETITOR #****THE WSDC KNOWS THAT SOMETIMES LIFE HAPPENS...**

If you have changed your name (e.g., married), have multiple WSDC #s (e.g., your name was misspelled at an event / you were assigned a second number), or discovered points were mistakenly credited to the wrong person (John Smith "A" received points that should have gone to John Smith "B"), please contact the WSDC at [points@worldsdc.com](mailto:points@worldsdc.com) and we will resolve the

**Next General Membership Meeting**

Our next General Membership Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, November 30, 2019 at the US Open from 9:30 AM—11:00 AM. (in the Producer Room, A & B East Tower). You do not need to be a member to attend! Everyone is welcome! We plan to broadcast the meeting on Facebook Live. Look for more information on our Facebook page in November.

**World Swing Dance Council**

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New Events Applications email: [wsdcnewevents@gmail.com](mailto:wsdcnewevents@gmail.com)

Use the hashtag #worldswingdc on social media.

problem. Also, many people seem to want to have their Points listed under their "nickname" (Bob instead of Robert, or something completely different than their legal name). PLEASE UNDERSTAND that when you make this request but purchase your weekend pass or pay for your contest with your legal name, most likely that's how it will show up for a contest! It's quite a challenge to keep up with everyone's nicknames so please understand this issue. We would expect you to properly inform the event and contest registration to avoid errors going forward.

**UPDATE ON MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OFFICER POSITIONS:**

With the change in our Board members, the WSDC Board affirmed the following officer roles:

President:	Dani Canziani
Vice Presidents:	Yvonne Antonacci Jim Tigges
Treasurer:	Yvonne Antonacci
Membership:	Yvonne Antonacci
Secretary:	Kim Liu
Non-officer positions:	Jim Coakley Demery Leyva Estelle Bonnaire

The entire Board may be reached by email at [info@worldsdc.com](mailto:info@worldsdc.com)

**WSDC MISSION**

Guided by the belief that every life is enriched by dance, we aspire to foster swing dancing around the world.

**WSDC VISION**

WSDC is a non-profit organization focused on promoting and growing swing dance, by

- Honoring the past, supporting the present, and developing the future
- Providing resources to expand, educate, and connect the swing dance community
- Being a governing body of WSDC Registry Events

**Registry Events**

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**October—December 2019**

- **WESTIES ON THE WATER**  
November 8-10, 2019
- **MIDNIGHT MADNESS**  
November 8-10, 2019
- **SIMPLY ADELAIDE WEST COAST SWING**  
November 8-10, 2019
- **LONDON SWINGVITATIONAL**  
November 14-18, 2019
- **DC SWING EXPERIENCE (DCSX)**  
November 14-17, 2019
- **WESTIE PINK CITY**  
November 22-24, 2019
- **US OPEN SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (NASDE)**  
November 28—Dec 1, 2019
- **C.A.S.H. BASH WEEKEND**  
November 28—Dec 1, 2019
- **UPSTATE DANCE CHALLENGE**  
December 5-8, 2019
- **THE AFTER PARTY**  
December 5-8, 2019
- **BERLIN SWING REVOLUTION**  
December 12-15, 2019
- **WINTER WHITE WCS**  
December 12-15, 2019
- **SWINGTIMATE**  
December 13-15, 2019
- **FLOOR PLAY NEW YEARS SWING VACATION**  
December 27-30, 2019
- **SWINGVESTER**  
Dec 27, 2019 –Jan 1, 2020
- **PALM SPRINGS NEW YEAR'S WEST COAST SWING AND HUSTLE DANCE CLASSIC**  
Dec 27, 2019 –Jan 1, 2020
- **SPOTLIGHT NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION**  
Dec 28, 2019 –Jan 1, 2020
- **NEW YEAR'S SWING FLING**  
Dec 27, 2019 –Jan 1, 2020
- **NEW YEAR'S DANCE EXTRAVAGANZA**  
Dec 31, 2019, Jan 3-5, 2020