

42nd English Riviera International Dance Festival

31st May - 5th June 2026 Torquay Devon

Held in two Ballrooms at the Beautiful TLH Victoria Hotel

Organised and Presented by James and Claire Taplin

In association with Holiday & Dance - Festival Originators Philip Wylie & Pam Peters

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**The perfect competitive festival & dance break for
Social Dancers & Competitive Dancers**

SOCIAL DANCERS:

- Teaching sessions every morning
- Social dancing afternoons & evenings
- The option to watch quality competitions
- Two top class cabarets
- Black tie dinner dance on final evening
- The opportunity to enter a social competition

COMPETITIVE DANCERS:

- Competitions every day - all grades
- Masterclasses and supervised practice sessions with top coaches
- National League Events & Championships
- Black tie dinner & dance + Grand Finals

A unique experience awaits at the TLH Victoria Hotel. 2 beautiful ballrooms compliment the only dance break which offers a holiday for social and competitive dancers.

Outstanding leisure facilities including a luxury spa & indoor pool complex

Choose 5 or 4 night stays:

5 nights £555 (Sun-Fri) or 4 nights £454 (Mon-Fri)

(4 nights Sun-Thurs £443 not including gala evening)

Special offers are available for limited times, please contact the hotel for details

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ENGLISH RIVIERA INTERNATIONAL DANCE FESTIVAL 2026

Competitive Dancers Information

Join us for a competitive festival, a training camp and a dance holiday where you can enjoy time with your dancing friends. 5 days of competitions, a full list of events from beginners & novice, Intermediate & Pre-champ, and all senior Grades. Selected events accumulate points, so the top 6 couples can compete in the Grand finals at the Riviera International Centre on the Thursday evening Gala Dinner Dance plus cabaret. Join in on a fun team match on the Tuesday evening party night, when we wind down after an afternoon of competitions plus a fabulous cabaret to top the evening off. Everything is included in the brochure price – Dinner, Room and Breakfast, all competitions, all supervised practice sessions and mini workshops, and both cabaret evenings, with the exception of the masterclasses, prices for this are listed below. You will receive your welcome pack on arrival which will give you your 'what where when' programme plus your entry form for the week and number.

TLH VICTORIA HOTEL

Prices shown below are per person for dinner, bed & breakfast, when sharing standard double/twin rooms & include the full dance programme. Supplements apply for masterclasses, please contact Claire or James for details. Charges apply for spa treatments & other non-inclusive leisure items.

5 nights - £555pp Sunday to Friday
4 nights - £454pp Monday to Friday

Prices shown are Brochure Rates. Special Offers are available subject to availability. Please contact the hotel for more information. We strongly recommend you take out insurance cover as cancellations can result in loss of all monies paid. Upgrades available, subject to availability. Single supplement only required when twin/double is used for solo occupancy.

PAYMENT

A deposit of 10% of the total cost is required on booking. Please contact Private Reservations, TLH Leisure Resort, Belgrave Road, Torquay, Devon TQ2 5HS.

Tel: 01803 400500

For further information or guidance before making a booking enquiry please don't hesitate to contact James or Claire, see front page for details. If when making a booking you could provide information whether you would like Masterclasses or confirm whether you are Social or Competitive, this would be most helpful.



Social Dancers Information

You will have a fabulous week, full of fun and dance. There will be morning Classes by top quality coaches, afternoon dances, as well as evening dances, with a mixture of Ballroom, Latin and Sequence dancing held in the Richmond Ballroom. Experienced social dancers will definitely benefit from this break.

On the Tuesday evening all dancers will enjoy an evening in the Warwick Ballroom, there will be plenty of general dancing, plus a fabulous cabaret and a fun filled team match by some of our competing couples.

Thursday evening will be the grand gala dinner dance and cabaret at the Riviera International Centre, this starts at 6.30pm and finishes at midnight. We will have a fabulous three course meal, lots of general dancing, a cabaret, plus 7 Festival Finals for you to enjoy.

This is a dance break like no other, where social and competitive dancers come together to celebrate a fabulous week of dancing.

SEASON TICKET & SESSION TICKET* (non - residents)

For those who wish to provide their own accommodation you can purchase a dance 'Season Ticket' (or 'Session Tickets') for the period of your stay; this includes the Full Dance Programme. Rates shown are per person & includes Full Dance Programme in the TLH Victoria Hotel & The Riviera Centre - the only exceptions are the Masterclass sessions.

• 3 days - £75 • 4 days - £85 • 5 days - £95

Season Tickets can be obtained direct from the Organisers or West Country dance schools. Tickets can be 'made to measure' to suit your required dance programme whether Social or Competitive - for example you might wish to book evenings only.

For those NOT taking the 'Dance & Accommodation' package or 'Season Ticket' package please note Session tickets are available as follows: (*Season tickets do not include the Gala Dinner Dance, but when you purchase a season ticket you can buy a Gala Dinner Dance ticket for a special price of £45).

RIVIERA CENTRE:

AN EXCELLENT GALA DINNER AND DANCE EXPERIENCE AT THE RIVIERA CENTRE ON THURSDAY 5TH JUNE £55.00
(Tickets for just the dancing Advance £20 Door £25)

VICTORIA HOTEL:

Social Evening £12 Competition Evening/Afternoon £18
Advanced booking only - no tickets on the door. Advanced tickets from the Organisers or West Country Dance Schools

For further accommodation choices contact

Torquay Tourist Board - Tel: 01803 211211 www.englishriviera.co.uk

SEASON / SESSION TICKET ORDERS (non residents)

Please complete and tick

Social ☐ Competitor ☐ Masterclasses ☐ Latin ☐
Supervised Practice ☐

Full Name(s).....

.....Tel No.....

Address.....

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Email.....

Date of Arrival.....Departure.....

Please make payment to Claire Taplin and send to:
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MASTERCLASS PROGRAMME

All dancers are welcome to join the Masterclass programme. Our optional Masterclass Programme offers outstanding value and provides opportunity to develop your enjoyment & dancing knowhow with great Coaches & Champions.

Monday 1st • Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd • Thursday 4th June
Daily Masterclass Sessions with top class coaches

SUPPLEMENTS FOR MASTERCLASSES

(Please pre-book - full payment for Masterclasses will be required on arrival.)

MASTERCLASS SESSION	Single session/2hrs	£20pp
MASTERCLASS SESSION	Three sessions/6hrs	£50pp
ALL ROUNDER	Four sessions/8hrs	£60pp

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For Competitive & Social Dancers

Full Social Programme in the Richmond Ballroom, including daily workshops

Accommodation Packages which include festival entry are available from the TLH Victoria Hotel on: 01803 400500

Daily Tickets or Individual Season Tickets are available on: 01489 584502 or 07786 175188

COMPETITION PROGRAMME - SUNDAY 31st May

Welcome Dance for all competitors and social dancers in the Warwick Ballroom, Competitions start at 8.00pm,
Social Dancers (W) (C) • NL Open Beginners (WQ) (CJ) • NL Open Novice (WF) (CR) • Open Intermediate (WFQ) (CRJ) • Open
Ballroom (WTFQ) • Open Latin (CSRJ) • NL O35 Pre Champ (WTFQ) (CSRJ) • NL Senior 1 (WTFQ) (CSRJ) • Senior II (TF) (CS)
Senior III (WQ) • Senior IIII (WF) • NL Over 50's (WTFQ) (CSRJ) • NL Over 60's (WFT) (CRJ)

MONDAY 1st JUNE Warwick Ballroom from 8.00pm

Social Dancers Award (Q) (R) • NL Open Beginners Award (WQ) (CJ) • NL Open Novice (WQ) (CR)

NL U35 Intermediate (WTQ) (CRJ) • *NL O35 Intermediate (WTQ) (CRJ) • NL U35 Pre Champ (WTFQ) (CSRJ)

*NL O35 Pre Champ (WTQ) (CRJ) • NL Senior I Latin (CSRPI) • **NL ENGLISH SENIOR MODERN CHAMPIONSHIP (WTVFQ)**

*The Riviera Open Ballroom Award (WTFQ) • *The Riviera Open Latin Award (CSRJ) • Riviera Senior II (WTFQ) • Riviera Senior II (CSRJ)
Riviera Senior III (WFQ) • Senior IIII (WTF) • NL Over 50's Ballroom (WTFQ) • NL Over 50's Latin (CSRJ)

NL Over 60's Ballroom (WTFV) • NL Over 60's Latin (CRJ)

TUESDAY 2nd JUNE Warwick Ballroom from 2.00-6pm

Social Dancers Award (F) (J) • NL Open Beginners Award (WT) (CJ)

NL Open Novice Title (WF) (CR) • NL U35 Intermediate (WFQ) (CSJ) • *NL O35 Intermediate (WFQ) (CSJ)

NL U35 Pre Champ (WTFQ) (CSRJ) • *NL O35 Pre Champ (WTQ) (CRJ) • NL Senior I Ballroom Award (WTVFQ)

NL Senior I Latin Devon Award (CSRPI) • *The Riviera Open Awards (WTFQ) (CSRJ)

Devon Senior II (WTFQ) (CSRJ) • Devon Senior III (WTF) Senior IIII (WFQ)

NL Over 50's (WTFQ) (CSRJ) • NL Over 60's (WTF) (CSR)

***THE DEVON SENIOR 10 DANCE SHIELD** * (WTVFQ, CSRPI)

TUESDAY EVENING FROM 8PM TEAM MATCH & FESTIVAL DANCE & CABARET

WEDNESDAY 3rd JUNE Warwick Ballroom from 8.00pm

Social Dancers Award (W) (C) • NL Open Beginners Award (WQ) (CR) • NL Open Novice Titles (FT) (CJ)

*NL O35 Intermediate (WFQ) (CSJ) • *NL O35 Pre Champ (WTQ) (CSR) • NL Senior I Ballroom Award (WTFQ) • NL Senior I Latin
Devon Award (CSRJ) • *The Riviera Open Ballroom Award (WTFQ) • *The Riviera Open Latin Award (CSRJ)

Torquay Senior II (WTFQ) • Torquay Senior II (CSRJ) • Torquay Senior III (WTQ) • Senior IIII (TFQ)

NL UNITED KINGDOM OVER 50'S MODERN CHAMPIONSHIP (WTVFQ)

NL Over 50's Latin (CSRJ) • NL Over 60's Ballroom (WFQ) • NL Over 60's Latin (SRJ)

THURSDAY 4th JUNE GRAND GALA DINNER DANCE

Grand Final Competitions at the Riviera International Centre commencing approx. 9.00pm (Dinner starts at 6.30pm)

O35 Intermediate Ballroom WTQ • O35 Intermediate Latin CRJ • O35 Pre Championship WFQ

O35 Pre Championship CSJ • The Riviera Open Ballroom Award WTFQ • The Riviera Open Latin Award CSRJ

NL ENGLISH SENIOR LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP (CSRPI)

FESTIVAL ADJUDICATORS:

Argo Oblikas, Alessia D'orazi, David Cockram, Rosie Ward

Dawn Vickers, Ian Saville, Linda Chatterley, Pam Peters, Christine Redfern, Gary Foster - More adjudicators to be announced.

Scrutineer: Jan Holloway Music: Kelvin Brindle & Tony-Marie Foster

SPONSORSHIP

Special thanks go to our Sponsors for their contribution of Cash/Vouchers/Prizes to our competition prize fund. For our Championships/Major Events, finalists will receive a combination of Cash/Vouchers/Prizes. Our appreciation to: TLH/VICTORIA HOTEL, DSI, PATRIZIO PRACTICE WEAR, WATKINS DANCE SHOES, HOLIDAY & DANCE and DANCE & LISTEN

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Competitive Dance Diary

Sunday 31st May From 8.00pm - Warwick

Welcome competitions for all with hosts James & Claire.
See programme for details

Monday 1st June	10.15am-12noon - Warwick 2-4pm - Warwick From 8.00pm - Warwick	Supervised practice plus short workshop Masterclass in the Warwick Ballroom Evening Competitions - All Grades - Programme Includes: 'OPEN TO THE WORLD ENGLISH SENIOR MODERN CHAMPIONSHIP'
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Tuesday 2nd June 10.00am-12noon - Warwick
2.00-6.00pm - Warwick

From 8.30pm - Warwick

Masterclass in the Warwick Ballroom
Afternoon Competitions - All Grades - Programme Includes: The Devon Senior 10 Dance Sheild, and Riviera Open Ballroom & Latin Awards.
Evening Team Match
Professional Ballroom Demonstration by David Cockram & Rosie Ward

Wednesday 3rd	10.15-12noon - Warwick 2-4pm - Warwick From 8.00pm - Warwick	Supervised practice plus short workshop Masterclass in the Warwick Ballroom Evening Competitions - All Grades - Programme Includes: 'OPEN UNITED KINGDOM OVER 50'S BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP'
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Thursday 4th 10.00-12.00 - Warwick
1-3pm - Warwick
6.00pm for 6.30pm
GALA DINNER DANCE
RIVIERA INTERNATIONAL
CENTRE

Masterclass in the Warwick Ballroom
Supervised Practice
GALA DINNER DANCE
Presenting **Professional Ballroom Champions Argo Oblikas & Alessia D'orazi** together with **OPEN TO THE WORLD ENGLISH SENIOR LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP** plus GRAND RIVIERA FINALS FOR INTERMEDIATE, PRE-CHAMPIONSHIP & OPEN EVENTS.

MASTERCLASSES / SUPERVISED PRACTICE WITH TOP CLASS COACHES

AVAILABLE MONDAY - THURSDAY Times vary, see programme for details.

TO BOOK A SPACE CONTACT JAMES, CLAIRE. FOR MORE DETAILS SEE THE BOOKING INFORMATION LEAFLET

This guide programme as shown below in the Richmond Ballroom includes Learn & Improve Sessions for all levels of experience. On arrival Festival Residents and Season Ticket Holders will receive a welcome letter with programme information for both the Richmond & Warwick Ballrooms.

Social Dance Diary

Sunday 31st May

8.30-10.45pm - Richmond
Welcome Dance for all
With hosts Claire & James

Monday 1st June	10.30-11.45am Social Dancers Workshop With Professional Coach	2.00-4.00pm General Dancing	From 8.30 pm in the Richmond Ballroom Social Dancing for all
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Tuesday 2nd June 10.30-11.45am
Social Dancers
Workshop
With professional Coach

2.00-4.00pm
General Dancing

From 8.30 pm
in the Warwick Ballroom
Social Dancing for all, team match and
Demonstration from David Cockram and
Rosie Ward for all to watch

Wednesday 3rd	10.30-11.45am Social Dancers Workshop With professional Coach	2.00-4.00pm General Dancing	From 8.30 pm in the Richmond Ballroom Social Dancing for all
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Thursday 4th 10.30-11.45am
Social Dancers
Workshop
With professional Coach

2.00-3.00pm
General Dancing

6.00 for 6.30 until Midnight
GALA DINNER DANCE at the
Riviera International Centre, Includes Cabaret
from Argo Oblikas & Alessia D'orazi
7 Grand Riviera Finals. Social Dancing for all