

DancesportInfo Membership

Introduction

As a DancesportInfo member, you will have exclusive access to a large set of extended features not available to normal users of the website. Some of these you will discover yourself, some of them will just work for you in the background. However, we have worked hard on the membership features, and so we want all of our members to realise the full potential of their membership. This document lists and explains the various features, and how to use them for your benefit. Remember, it will be updated when new features are added, so make sure to check for a new version from time to time.

How to...

Add a comment about a couple

(Members only) As a member, you may add your own comments to a couple's profile, including yourselves. To do this, go to the couple's profile. Find the section titled "Comments", and click the "Add comment" button. If there were comments already, you will see a list of them to which you can reply, otherwise you will see a new page in which you can write your new comment. Once you are satisfied with your comment, click "Accept". Your comment will immediately be published.

Edit your comment on a couple's profile

(All Members) Having written a comment on a couple's profile, it is easy to edit it. On the couple's profile, under the "Comments" section, click the link saying "read *n* comment/s". A list of all the comments will appear on a new page. Find your comment. If you are logged in, you should see an "Edit" button next to your comment. Click on it, and when satisfied with your changes, click "Accept".

Add a comment about a dancer

(All Members) As a member, you may add your own comments to a dancer's profile, including yourself. To do this, go to the dancer's profile. Find the section titled "Comments", and click the "Add comment" button. If there were comments already, you will see a list of them to which you can reply, otherwise you will see a new page in which you can write your new comment. Once you are satisfied with your comment, click "Accept". Your comment will immediately be published.

Edit your comment on a dancer's profile

(All Members) Having written a comment on a dancer's profile, it is easy to edit it. On the dancer's profile, under the "Comments" section, click the link saying "read *n* comment/s". A list of all the comments will appear on a new page. Find your comment. If you are logged in, you should see an "Edit" button next to your comment. Click on it, and when satisfied with your changes, click "Accept".

Add a comment about an event

(All Members) As a member, you may add your own comments to an event's results. To do this, go to the event's results page. Find the section titled "Comments", and click the "Add comment"

button. If there were comments already, you will see a list of them to which you can reply, otherwise you will see a new page in which you can write your new comment. Once you are satisfied with your comment, click "Accept". Your comment will immediately be published.

Edit your comment on an event's profile

(All Members) Having written a comment on a event's results page, it is easy to edit it. On the event's results, under the "Comments" section, click the link saying "read *n* comment/s". A list of all the comments will appear on a new page. Find your comment. If you are logged in, you should see an "Edit" button next to your comment. Click on it, and when satisfied with your changes, click "Accept".

Remove a photo of yourself

(Users) If the photo you want to remove was uploaded by you to the Guest gallery, you can remove it by clicking "Remove from the gallery" next to the photo. (All Members) As a member, you can remove any photo of yourself from the Guest gallery, even those uploaded by other people. However, photos uploaded by professional photographers (i.e. those in all galleries other than Guest) are their property, and cannot be removed without permission from the photographer. (Platinum members only) We have a special agreement with our photographers that Platinum members can remove any photo of themselves, from any gallery.

Create your own forum

(Platinum and Gold members only) Platinum and Gold members are entitled to their own, personal forum on our site. All posts in these forums are under their control, and they can edit all posts written in this forum, even by other people. Gold members are entitled to one forum, whereas Platinum members can have an unlimited number of forums (e.g. a 'personal' forum, a 'studio' forum, etc.). If you are interested in opening a forum, please contact us directly.

Get a photo/advert discount

(All Members) All members automatically get discounts when they purchase photos or partner wanted adverts. Please make sure that you are logged in before paying, as otherwise the discount will not be applied. All members get 10% off photos, while with partner wanted adverts, silver members get 20% off, gold members get 50% off, and platinum members get an amazing 75% discount. Note that the discount applied for partner wanted adverts even if they are not for yourself.

Compare two or more couples

All guests and users can compare how two couples' ratings changed over time. This can be done by going to any event where both couples competed. In the event's results, select the two couples you want to compare by ticking the box on the right of their names, and click the "compare couples rating" link underneath. (All Members) Members are not limited to comparing only two couples, and can select as many couples as they want, in the same way.

Add a couple to your 'favourite couples' list

(All Members) If you are interested in a certain couple, you can add it to your favourite couples list, When you do this, your name will appear on their profile as well as their names appearing in your favourite couple list, which is part of your member profile. To add a couple, simply click on the "Add to your favourites" link on their profile.

Get notified when a couple has new results or photos

(All Members) Members can receive email notifications whenever one of their favourite couples has new results or new photos on our site. This way, you can follow your favourite couples' activities. To set up notifications for one of your favourite couples, open your favourite couple list (found in your member profile, by clicking your name in the top right corner). On the right side of each couple, there are two boxes, each labelled "Notify". Tick the left one to be notified of results, and the right one to be notified of photos. If you want to be notified of your own results and photos, simply add yourself as a favourite couple.

In addition to the email notifications, you will receive an SMS alert whenever a notification is emailed to you, so that you can always stay up to date. Due to the cost of sending international SMS messages, we have to limit the number of alerts we send. Silver members can receive up to 5 alerts per month, Gold members can receive up to 20 a month, however Platinum members have no limit on SMS alerts. Please note that these limits are for SMS alerts only, email notifications will continue to be sent.

Change what photos are in your profile

(All Members) A couple's profile fades through ten pictures, three at a time. Normally, these ten photos are picked randomly from the latest photos of the couple. However, members can select specific photos from our galleries that will always display on their profile. To select a photo of yourself for your profile, first find it in our galleries. Next to the photo, underneath the rating, will be an "Include in your profile" link. Click this to add this picture to your profile. If you want to remove a picture from your profile, find it in our galleries and click "Remove from your profile".

Please note that we need ten photos to fade through, so if you select fewer than ten, we will choose the remainder randomly.

Add achievements to your profile

(Platinum and Gold members only) Platinum and Gold members can add achievements to their couple profile. Achievements can include competition results which are not in our database, or more likely other activities you are proud of (shows, presentations, workshops, TV appearances, etc.). To add an achievement, go to your profile, and find the "Achievements" section, or click "Achievements" on the right side of the main DancesportInfo page. This will take you to a list of your achievements. On this page, you can edit your current achievements, and you can add achievements not in the list.

Select your best result in your profile

(All Members) All couples have, on their profile, one result selected as their best. Normally, we calculate this automatically based on certain criteria. However, this may differ from the subjective view of the couple. Therefore, members can change this best result to one of their choosing. To do this, please contact us directly.

Add a link to your website in your profile

(All Members) Members can have, on their couple profile, a link to their website. If you have a website, and want to place a link to it on your profile, please contact us directly. However, if you do

not have a website, please remember that our company specialises in website creation, and for a competitive fee we can design, create and maintain a website for you.

Create your own 'favourite photos' gallery

(All Members) Members can create a gallery of their favourite photos from our galleries, for themselves or send to their friends and family. These can be photos of you, photos of couples you enjoy watching, or even photos you appreciate on a basis of artistic merit. To mark a photo as a favourite, first find it in our galleries. Next to the photo, underneath the rating, will be an "Add to your favourites" link. Click this to add this picture to your favourites gallery.

To view your favourites gallery, go to the main DancesportInfo page. On the right side, in the "My Profile" section, click the "Favourite Photos" link. If you want to share your favourite photos with a friend, click the "Share these photos with a friend" link in your favourites gallery. This will create a new email in your default email client. Please note that if you use internet-based email, for example hotmail or gmail, you will have to copy the link to the gallery manually.

Decrease the number of adverts

(Platinum and Gold members only) As a large portion of the site is free to everyone, we have to have adverts to finance the website's running costs (server costs, employee wages, etc.). Due to the contribution Gold and Platinum members make by purchasing a membership, we automatically decrease the number of adverts shown to them. However, some dance related adverts remain, as we believe that they can be of interest .

Advertise next to your results/photos

(Platinum members only) Platinum members can place advertisements next to their results and photos, similar to sponsor adverts (worth £300 for an advert next to both results and photos). The advertisement can be short line of any text, and can link to any website. For example, it can say "Book a lesson with us", linking to a website with contact details or an online booking form. To place such an advert, please contact us directly with details.

Update your membership details

(All Members) Members can edit their membership details, e.g. change what couple they are associated with or change their mobile phone number for SMS alerts. To do this, go to your user profile (by clicking your name in the top left corner), and clicking the "Update Membership" link.