

## *Saints-inline Line BWDA Article April 2011*



Dear Editorial Team,

We just had to write to express our thanks to you for being at the end of the phone back in June last year when we were setting up our club. It was so good to have someone to point us in the right direction for the documents and licenses we needed for our new venture. We have already gained so much out of our young club that we wanted to share our excitement with you. Firstly, a little about us. It all started 4 years ago when a friend of ours suggested trying out a line dance class and so we joined AB Coasters run by Val Myers (whom we very quickly realised was one of the BEST teachers in the country, if not the WORLD!) We were immediately hooked and thanks to great teaching picked it up fairly easily. Since then we have taken and passed our bronze, silver and gold medals with flying colours and completed level one of the instructor's course. We now face the challenge of finding time to take levels 2 and 3 as we have started our own club, Saints-inline and are having so much fun. Our first absolute beginner class opened with just 9 dancers in June 2010. Being slightly terrified we were quite happy with a small number to begin with, now just over eight months later we run two classes, our original class numbered 30 last week and our new beginner class now averages 16. We had our first social at Christmas which was a great success and 30 of our dancers enjoyed a Chinese meal in the New Year. It was a good opportunity to get to know each other a little better and exchange stories. They were both such rewarding events that we were eager to plan more activities and now have a fund raising dance, a golfing afternoon to celebrate our 1<sup>st</sup> birthday, a BBQ and a day trip to add to our diary dates. Our dancers have been so supportive and we reckon they are as excited about the world of Line Dance as we are, which let's face it, is a unique, friendly and fun place to be. We are enjoying every minute and feel blessed to be able to share our love of dancing with others who we are sure will become as obsessed as we are! So thank you again and happy dancing to all!

Mary and Sandra