

# THE WILLAND FOLK DANCE CLUB

## Woolacombe Weekend - 24th, 25th and 26th February 2012

Shiver me timbers, and we're off again; it's back to North Devon's compelling rugged coastline and The Royal Hotel in Woolacombe. The Hotel offers us a warm and comfortable stay, and boasts a fine ballroom, a heated indoor swimming pool, full sized snooker table, pool table, table tennis, a very comfortable lounge, and a spacious restaurant over-looking the sea.

Our resident band of musicians will be Jovial Crew. They are Brian and Rosie McMinn and Mike Green. Stephanie will join the band if her studies allow her to do so. Jovial Crew have entertained dancers across the country at festivals and dance halls for many years, and are extremely versatile in all styles of music. To compliment their fine music, the very popular and irrepressible Ted Farmer and Jane Thomas will once again share the calling.

There will be the usual notorious perplexing quiz competition, plus a photographic competition of a holiday snapshot with a descriptive caption.

The cost of the weekend will be the same as last year, £79.00 to members, and £82.00 for non-members. You are advised to make your own arrangements for holiday insurance cover, as there is none included. Please vacate your rooms by 10:30am on the morning of your departure, and ensure that room keys are returned to reception and any room bills paid.

Included in the cost will be your accommodation in en-suite rooms with colour TV, tea and coffee making facilities, dinner, bed, and breakfast for two nights, plus Sunday lunch, and admission to all the dances during the weekend. The Hotel have agreed a special price if you wish to stay Sunday evening to return home on Monday. Dinner, bed and breakfast will be £20.00 per person. Please indicate on your booking slip if you wish to take this option, and pay Barbara in advance. She will arrange all bookings for you. Last year around 40 people stayed the extra night, and we enjoyed some extra dancing on Sunday evening.

The Friday walk starts from Lynmouth. We meet in the Lynmouth Harbour car park (pay and display) for a light picnic lunch. The circular walk starts with a ride up the Cliff Railway, and leads out through the town and up to the top of Hollerday Hill (just the one "up"). There will be a cream tea at "Mother Meldrum's" café waiting for us at 2:00pm before we return via the costal footpath through the Valley of the Rocks back to Lynmouth. Please book your place and pay Barbara in advance for the cream tea by using the booking form.

A deposit of £20.00 per club member and £23.00 per non-club member is required when you book, and the balance of £59.00 paid on or before the Thursday club night of January 12th 2012. Please make your cheques payable to Willand Folk Dance Club, and return with your booking slip to Barbara Farmer, 56 Park Lane, Pinhoe, Exeter, Devon EX4 9HP, or by hand at any club event. Deposits are not refundable, and no monies are refundable after 12th January 2012. If you are unable to keep your booking, please let Barbara know as soon as possible. A receipt to acknowledge your booking will only be issued if a stamped addressed envelope is enclosed with your booking slip. An up to date list of bookings will be available at each club night and dance.

For more information on any of our activities, please telephone Jane Thomas: - 01884 855267.

All club news and information is on our web site: [www.willandfolkdanceclub.co.uk](http://www.willandfolkdanceclub.co.uk)

The Hotel details are: - The Royal Hotel, Beach Road, Woolacombe, Devon EX34 7AB  
Telephone: 01271 870001

# The programme for 2012

## FRIDAY - 24th February.

- 12 Noon Meet in the Harbour car park in Lynmouth, and bring a light picnic lunch with you to eat over-looking the sea.
- 12.30 pm prompt. The walk will start at the Cliff Railway in Lynmouth (or if you prefer "shanks pony", see you at the top!), and from the top we walk up towards Hollerday Hill as far as the ruins of Hollerday House, and take the path on the seaward side to the Valley of the Rocks. We descend to "Mother Meldrum's" café for a cream tea at 2:00pm. (You don't need to walk to join in the cream tea, but please pay via the booking form. There is a car park adjacent to the café.) We return along the costal footpath with splendid sea views. Lynmouth is in a beautiful corner of England, and if you just want to join us for lunch then take a leisurely wonder about the harbour, pubs and numerous shops, that's fine.
- 4.00 pm The Royal Hotel will welcome you. If you arrive early, your room may not be ready.
- 6.45 pm Evening Meal.
- 8.30 - 11.30 pm Evening welcome Social Dance with Jovial Crew and Ted Farmer.

## SATURDAY - 25th February.

- 8.00 am Brian will run the Early Bird Workshop with recorded music - just one dance to blow away the sleepy dust.
- 8.30 am Breakfast.
- 10.00 am Andrew and Rita will lead the long walk, starting from the Hotel foyer. We advise walking boots and suitable clothing. Please bring a packed lunch with you, and plenty to drink.
- 10:30 am - 12:30 pm Workshop of "Jane's special delights" with Jovial Crew and Jane Thomas.
- 2.00 pm Meet in the foyer for a short walk led by Jane lasting about an hour and finishing at the ice-cream shop.
- 3.00 - 4:45 pm A chance to try some popular Irish dancing with Mary Marker and recorded music.
- 5.00 pm A communal swimming session in the swimming pool (not supervised).
- 6.45 pm Evening Meal.
- 8.30 - 11.30 pm Evening Social Dance with Jovial Crew and Jane Thomas. The theme will be "The Queens Jubilee," so come in your "Best Bib and Tucker," or just copy the "Red, White and Blue" colour theme.

## SUNDAY - 26th February.

- 8.00 am Brian will lead the Early Bird Workshop with recorded music - just one more dance to wake us up.
- 8.30 am Breakfast.
- 10:30 am - 12:30 pm. A selection of the renowned "Ted's Teasers" with Jovial Crew and Ted Farmer.
- 1.00 pm Sunday Lunch.
- 2.30 - 4.30 pm The Club Entertains with Jovial Crew and MC Brian Thomas. An afternoon of dancing, singing, stories, demonstrations, and the quiz and competition results. If you have anything you would like to contribute, please speak to Brian.
- 4.30 pm Tea, coffee and a slice of cake before we all say goodbye.
- 8:30 - late ish Evening social dance for those who stay with guest callers and recorded music.

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BALANCE DUE FORM.

Please retain this half of the form to pay your balance. The balance of £59.00 per person is due by the 12th January 2012. Please remember to add £20.00 per person if you are staying Sunday night D, B & B, and £5.00 per person attending Friday cream tea at "Mother Meldrum's Cafe."

Name(s) .....

Address .....

Number

..... Balance due at £59.00 per person: - .....

..... Dinner, bed and breakfast Sunday night at £20.00 per person: - .....

..... Friday Cream Tea at Mother Meldrum's Cafe at £5.00 per person: - .....

Value of cheque / cash enclosed: - £ .....

SAE enclosed for receipt: - Yes / No

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BOOKING FORM

Please use this half of the form to pay your deposit of £20 per Club Member, or £23 per Non Club Member

Name(s) .....

Address .....

.....Post Code .....

Contact Telephone number .....

Value of cheque / cash enclosed: - £ .....

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If you intend joining the walking party for a cream tea at Mother Meldrum's on Friday, 24th February, please indicate the number attending here. ....

How many intend staying Sunday evening D, B & B @ £20.00 per person? .....

SAE enclosed for receipt: - Yes / No