

# Jacksonville West Coast Swing Club (JWCSC)

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The new year welcomed in your new JWCSC board of directors.

- President: Derek Leyva
- Communications: Christina Brady & Allysa Rees
- VP of Activities: Chelsea Crout & Ian O'Gorman
- Membership Chair: Rudi Urban
- Treasurer: Linsey Funston
- Assistant Treasurer: Helena Story

Committee members: Mike Grady, Kellie Mellon, Elizabeth Minneci, Troy Novotny & Donna Cooper

We want to take a moment to give thanks to Tim & Kathy Mease who tirelessly kept our club up and running for several years. We are ever so grateful to be continuing the club as you both step down to simply enjoy being a part of the club rather than running EVERYTHING! Knowing that you both have poured your hearts and souls into our dance club makes it even more of an honor to take it over in your stead.

We also want to recognize and thank Alan & Marilyn Painter for stepping up and assisting with the organization and notification of dance events for JWCSC.

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## Sad to see you go, Club Savoy!

With the closing of Club Savoy our monthly dance schedule has changed. WCS lessons will be held on Mondays at Kaluby's Dance Studio (8221 Southside Blvd., Suite 3 – Starbucks Plaza). A WCS 104 lesson with Demery Leyva followed by WCS 103/102 with Jenn Norris and Derek Leyva. Dance rotation follows at 9pm.

On Thursdays, Come out to Ortega River Club (ORC)@ 7pm. Demery & Derek will be teaching a WCS lesson for all levels with dance rotation following.

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## Upcoming Events

### February 1

Charlotte Westie Fest

### February 8

Dance Camp Chicago

### February 9

Monarch Ballroom's 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday Country & Swing Dance

### February 15

Fall in Love with Swing – Jordan & Tatiana Intensive

### February 16

JWCSC 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Dance @ Avondale Dance

For additional information about these dance events, please click on the calendar below.

[Calendar](#)

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## Help us help you!

We are in the process of updating the JWCSC website, our social media presence and dance events calendar. Please let us know if you are planning on attending upcoming dance events. We hope to be able to help dancers connect with one another to help with travel and room arrangements if or when available. We want to create an informational hub of all WCS information to be easily accessed by our members.



Thank you to all members who have renewed their JWCSC membership! Your dues and support help us to keep our community up and running! We would also like to thank and welcome any and all new members to our club.

### Calling Volunteers...

To help us get to know one another a bit better, we would like to include a short bio on some dancers within our community. We are calling these bios "Who in the Westie Are You?." If you would like to be featured in our newsletter and let others get to know you better, please let us know.

Please share with us pictures of you and your friends dancing! With your permission we would like to include some on our social media posts and monthly newsletter to promote West Coast Swing dancing in Jacksonville.

### Why Membership Matters...

**JWCSC Membership is only \$40 for an entire year. Your membership gives you a \$5 discount to every 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday Dance hosted by JWCSC. That alone pays for your membership! Plus your attendance to the Holiday Dance is absolutely FREE. It also helps support your dance community AND we do have plans to bring in some pros to teach this year. (Members would receive a discounted price)**

**So, if you haven't already renewed your membership, please do so by seeking out Rudy, Linsey, Helena or Derek. If you're not yet a member, what's stopping you? Join today!**

**To help you practice your dance at home, here's a playlist.**

[Spotify Playlist](#)

