



Dancing With The Stars Weekends 2026

Welcome



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Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to our 13th Dancing With The Stars Weekend here at the magnificent Celtic Manor Resort. We're absolutely delighted you've chosen to join us – thank you.

We've put together a truly special programme for you, filled with spectacular shows, inspiring workshops, and fabulous live music. Our team and incredible stars can't wait to share an unforgettable weekend of dance with you.

Be sure to catch all the latest photos and highlights as they happen on our Facebook page – simply search Donaheys and follow us there.

To our returning guests, it's wonderful as always to welcome you back. And to those joining us for the first time, we extend the warmest of welcomes – your weekend starts here.

We are at your service throughout the weekend, we warmly look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new friends. Have a fantastic time... and we'll see you on the dance floor!

Paul, Shirley, Amy & your Donaheys Team.

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Aaron & Niamh



Your Programme

Friday Evening

Caernarfon Ballroom

Gorka Marquez & Karen Hauer Cha Cha Workshops

4.15pm

Green

5.15pm

Yellow

6.15pm

Red

7.15pm

Blue (Caernarfon Ballroom 2)

7.30pm

Social Dancing Commences

8.45pm

Meet your Donaheys team

Join your Donaheys team and learn a fun and easy dance for all to enjoy

9pm

Leandro Palou & Maria Tsiatsiani

Argentine Tango Showcase featuring live Bandoneon musician

9.30pm

Gorka Marquez & Karen Hauer

Latin American Showcase

11pm

Red Carpet Photo Call

You will be invited by wristband colour to photograph your favourite Strictly Stars.

Midnight

Ballroom Closes

Gorka Marquez & Karen Hauer



Saturday

Caernarfon Ballroom

9am

Latin Line with Paul

Red, Blue, Green

Aaron Flynn & Niamh Curtin Jive Workshops

9.30am

Red

10.30am

Blue

11.30am

Green

12.30pm

Yellow

**Aljaz Skorjanec & Janette Manrara
Waltz Workshops**

1.30pm

Red

2.30pm

Blue

3.30pm

Green

4.30pm

Yellow

5.20pm

Ballroom Closes

7.45pm

Black Tie Ball

Red Carpet Black Tie Photo Call

– be the stars of the show...

7.55pm

Tony Greenwood 15-piece Big Band

9.10pm

Glenn Richard Boyce & Caroly Janes

Ballroom Showcase

British Professional Dance Champion Finalists

Aaron Flynn & Niamh Curtin

Latin Showcase

Spectacular Group Performances

10pm

Aljaz Skorjanec & Janette Manrara

Ballroom & Latin Showcase

11.10pm

Tony Greenwood 15-piece Big Band

Red Carpet Photo Call

You are invited by wristband colour to
photograph your favourite Strictly Stars.

12.30am

Ballroom Closes

Saturday

Caernarfon Ballroom 2

Latin Line with Cheryl & Freda

9am Yellow

Argentine Tango Workshops

with Leandro Palou & Maria Tsiatsiani

9.30am Yellow

10.30am Red

11.30am Blue

12.30pm Green

Slow Foxtrot Workshops with Tony Bennett

1.30pm Yellow

2.30pm Red

3.30pm Blue

4.30pm Green

Caernarfon Lounge

'Behind the Seams' with DSI London

Join the DSI London team and discover how their stunning creations come to life — from concept to costume. Enjoy beautiful displays, inspiration boards, and an extended range of couture Ballroom & Latin dresses. *Welcome to bring refreshments.*

1.30pm Blue

2.30pm Green

3.30pm Yellow

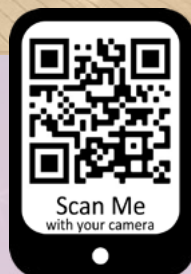
4.30pm Red

Aljaz Skorjanec & Janette Manrara





Your workshop films are ready to view donaheys.podia.com



Keep the magic of your Dancing With The Stars Weekend going with full access to all your workshop recap films — the perfect way to practise every dance and every step you've learned.

Our easy-to-follow practice films cover:

- ★ All the steps & routines from all 7 of your workshops
- ★ Our fun Latin Line
- ★ Clearly demonstrated routines you can enjoy at home, anytime

You can log in during your weekend and continue to enjoy the films after your break as often as you like.

Instant Access Includes:

- ★ Watch in full speed or half speed
- ★ Works on all smart devices – Mobile, Tablet, Laptop & Smart TV
- ★ Simple, clear, follow-along

Just £24 for Ongoing Access

Enrol anytime during your weekend, or up to 14 days after.

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**You'll have no excuse
but to... Keeeeeep dancing!**

Join us in 2027 for the ultimate Dance Week

See your favourite Strictly Come Dancing Stars up close & personal for a truly intimate experience, dance lessons with the Stars plus hear all about their

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Returning Guest Loyalty Price £629

19th – 21st March 2027

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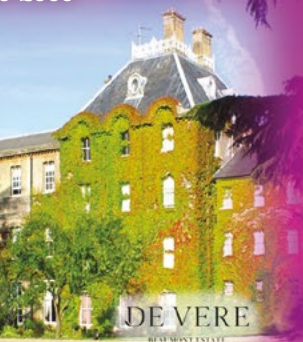
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3rd – 5th March 2028
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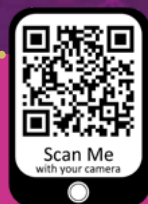
24th – 26th March 2028
4★ De Vere
Beaumont Estate

21st – 23rd April 2028
5★ Celtic Manor
Resort Hotel

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Returning Guest Benefits

- Returning Guest Loyalty Rate
- **EXCLUSIVE** Donaheys Flask
- Preferred Ballroom Seating
- Low £100pp deposit
- Weekend Transfer Flexibility
- Access to Donaheys Online Ballroom & Latin Academy
– 100+ lessons with the Stars, Champions & Donaheys Team



16th – 18th April 2027

5* Celtic Manor Resort Hotel
Newport NP18 1HQ

Returning Guest Loyalty Price £715




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To take advantage of these great offers your £100pp deposit must be received by us whilst you are in attendance this weekend. You are more than welcome to transfer your booking onto any of our 2027 dance weekends with no admin fee. Subject to availability, upto 10-weeks prior, rate differences may apply.

Sunday

Caernarfon Ballroom

Amy Dowden MBE & Carlos Gu
Quickstep Workshops

9am Blue
10am Green
11am Yellow
12pm Red

12.50pm **Farewell Practice Dance**

1.30pm **Amy Dowden MBE & Carlos Gu**
Ballroom & Latin Showcase

Red Carpet Photo Call

Ballroom Closes

Caernarfon Ballroom 2

Oti Mabuse Samba Workshops

9am Yellow
10am Red
11am Blue
12pm Green

Ballroom Closes

**Have you
booked for 2027?**

Amy Dowden MBE & Carlos Gu



Guest Guide

Dress Code

The dress code for the weekend is: Friday evening smart evening wear - Strictly No Denim. Saturday evening Black Tie - for men evening suit/bow tie recommended, lounge suit/tie acceptable, jacket essential. Ladies - evening dress/evening trouser or skirt outfit. Strictly No Denim whatsoever. We recommend wearing something comfortable & light for your daytime workshops. Trousers, skirts & dresses should be of the correct length at ALL times to avoid tripping up on the dance floor.

Footwear

Suitable footwear with a non-slip sole MUST be worn at all times whilst on the dance floor. Ballroom/Latin Dance shoes aren't a requirement but are recommended. Strictly no steel, overly high, thin or pencil stiletto heels, steel toecaps, flip-flops, wedges or sandals to be worn on the dance floor and no bare-feet, socks or tights. Running trainers or trainers that have grip on the soles are not suitable for dancing as they tend to stick to the floor and limit movements, putting more stress on the joints when turning, twisting and sliding. Trainers that have a thin sole and minimal grip should be ok for workshops. For a ladies footwear guide, please visit our dedicated webpage; <https://www.donaheys.co.uk/articles/ladies-recommended-footwear/>

Anyone with incorrect footwear or unsuitable dress will be politely asked to leave the dance floor to change into something suitable.

Health & Safety

Whilst you enjoy your weekend, your health and safety, and that of all our guests is of paramount importance to us here at Donaheys. A control of arm and leg movements whilst on the dance floor is vital so as not to be a danger to fellow persons. No drinking whilst on the dance floor, please do not carry drinks across the dance floor, spilt drinks in any area of the ballrooms should be mopped up immediately. No excessive consumption of alcohol causing a lack of control and/or danger to oneself or others. Dancers should not eat or chew whilst dancing. If you have any concerns whatsoever or see something you are unhappy with please bring it to our immediate attention, thank you.

Please, absolutely no standing on ballroom chairs at any point during the showcases, thank you. Donaheys will not be held responsible should you disregard this guidance.

It is your responsibility to stay hydrated and avoid over exertion by taking regular breaks.

Fire Evacuation Procedure

On arrival, please take the time to familiarise yourselves with Celtic Manor Resort Hotel Fire Evacuation Procedure, Assembly Points and your closest fire escapes. In case of emergency please observe the directions of all staff at all times, if you are required to leave the hotel or ballroom please do so using your closest exit leaving all personal belongings behind.

Strobe Lighting

Strobe lighting and other intense lighting will be used during the weekends showcases. It may not be safe for those with epilepsy or other conditions associated with sensitivity to light. Please speak with a member of our team if you have any concerns.

First Aid

If you require First Aid assistance, please seek assistance at Donaheys iPoint or Hotel Reception – whichever is closest to you.

Workshops

There is no-need to pre-book any of your workshops. To even all the workshops out everyone has been split into 4 equal groups. Each Headline couple will instruct 4 workshops in their speciality dance - one workshop for each group.

Over the weekend each coloured wristband group has 7 great workshops to choose from. For the smooth running of our workshops may we kindly request you only attend the workshop appropriate to your wristband colour, anybody attempting to unfairly participate in additional workshops will be kindly asked to leave the dance-floor.

To enable each workshop to begin promptly please arrive early; no late arrivals will be permitted to join the workshop 10mins after it has started.

We kindly request you leave the Ballroom after the workshop has finished as swiftly as possible to ensure the daily timetables run to schedule and we can film the routines, your courtesy on this and towards the teachers will be greatly appreciated, thank you.

Restaurant

Your weekend package includes Dinner & Breakfast. Your confirmation letter will provide you with your allocated evening meal times, please stick to this as this will help avoid congestion.

Evening meals consist of a 3-course buffet dinner in The Olive Tree Restaurant. There is no table plan for the restaurant, if you wish to sit with friends simply arrive at the restaurant together and the restaurant team will be happy to seat you together.

Full Welsh Breakfast is available from 6.30am – 10.30am, please though be aware queues may occur between peak times of 8.30am & 9.15am. Lunch will be available to purchase from the resort's eateries.

Ballroom Seating

Your confirmation letter advises your ballroom Table number. Seating at your table is unreserved and not considered saved or reservable. Seats are offered on a first come first served basis at the start of each session. Please don't leave personal belongings behind when leaving the ballroom, as we nor the venue management can be held responsible for loss of these. Any items left will be removed and passed to the hotel's lost property department.

Please kindly note: All seats at your table are occupied. Please be considerate towards other guests seated at your table who may wish to sit together by not leaving single chairs unoccupied. We acknowledge that the seats at the front part of your table may offer the best views of the showcases. With this in mind, please ensure you kindly rotate around the table during the weekend to be fair to everyone at your table, many thanks.

Filming & Photographs

Filming & Photography of all shows and workshops is strictly prohibited. The use of any flash photography, or recording device during any part of the Stars performances or workshops is strictly forbidden. Persons doing so will be asked to leave the ballroom immediately and delete any offending material immediately, this is a contractual stipulation rigorously enforced. Photograph opportunities will be available during the 'Red Carpet Photo Calls' with the 'Stars of the Show', this will be your chance to take some fabulous souvenir photographs of the stars

Wristbands

Wristbands must be worn on your wrist and be visible at ALL times during the weekend. Your wristband will allow you unlimited access to your workshops, shows & dancing and will be checked at all times upon entrance to the Ballrooms and Olive Tree Restaurant. Lost or removed wristbands will not be replaced.

Refreshments

Celtic Manor Resort benefits from extensive on-site bar facilities. Drinking water is available throughout the resort.

During the daytime workshops, guests are encouraged to bring re-useable drinks flasks to fill up at the dedicated Hydration Station located outside our ballrooms.

No personal drink flasks, containers, or bottles are to be brought into the ballrooms Friday and Saturday evenings. Cups of water will be available from the hydration station. Celtic Manor operates a strict policy on this, any persons attempting to do so may be asked to leave the ballrooms.

Donaheys iPoint

Donaheys will have an information & help-desk at the entrance to the Caernarfon Ballroom, this is where you can ask any questions you may have – our Donaheys team are always on hand to help you in any way we can.

Smoking Areas

Celtic Manor Resort Hotel operates a No Smoking & Vaping Policy throughout. There are specific designated outdoor 'Smoking Areas', which you will find clearly signposted. The hotel asks that guests refrain from smoking & vaping throughout the resort including all the outdoor patio terrace areas, and only use it's designated outdoor 'Smoking Areas'.

Checkout

Hotel checkout is 11am, please ensure you have settled any room accounts and handed your keys in beforehand. Safe bag storage is available with concierge.

Leisure Facilities

All residents can enjoy complimentary use of the resort's leisure facilities including; Heated Pool, Sauna, Steam Rooms, Spa, Gym & Studios. Please check with the Forum Spa for opening hours, swim slots must be pre-booked at hotel or leisure reception, towels are provided.

Thank you, and see you on the dancefloor!!!!



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