

Snap shots
from Director's meeting
October 2007

ADS

The following members were accepted, by the membership present, as Directors in accordance with the Constitution.

VIC

Tony Hulme

Eamon McGrath

Malcolm Batty

NSW

Barry Wall

Shirley Wall

QLD

Ross Heidke

SA

Madeleine Zoanetti

WA

Ray Simmons

Tania McGuinness

Brian Alston (NSW) and Simon Salm (QLD) were also accepted. They will take up their positions when the respective States reach their required membership.

Madeleine Zoanetti was re-elected as President.

Keith Hoban was re-appointed as the company solicitor.

Eamon McGrath will continue to be the webmaster for the ADS and Championship websites.

Alan Bliss, Bliss Accountants, was re-appointed as the Company Auditor.

National Diploma registrar – Bernard Brickhill – has carried out this duty in an honorary capacity for a number of years.

National Membership Registrar, Stewart Lonsdale, has resumed this honorary position. Whilst the company has streamlined payment options, the Directors identified that there was still a need for this position to be maintained to ensure States are kept informed of the number of financial members. This of course currently determines the number of Directors a State is eligible for.

Constitution and Bylaws

Considerable work has already been undertaken by company solicitor, Keith Hoban and Queens Council, Graham Clarke.

Directors received a comprehensive report from Keith Hoban at the October meeting. It is hoped that this will be finalised.

New examination fees – effective 1 November

<u>Dual DSA/ADS examinations</u>		
	Fee	Examiner's Fee
Level 0	\$60	\$40
Level 1	\$95	\$65
Level 2	\$120	\$75
 <u>ADS Only</u>		
Level 0	\$60	\$40
Level 1	\$90	\$65
Level 2	\$100	\$75
Fellows	\$180	\$70 x 2

A new Medal system is currently being developed. This will be launched early in 2007 in all States.

Theatrical Syllabus – each Director has a copy of this to give to their respective states.

DSA have re-written their Syllabus. An ADS sub committee has been formed and re-writing of the ADS syllabus will commence early 2008.

Where possible, States are to present their technical examination diplomas at a public forum.

Websites

The websites have gone live; make sure you visit the site regularly for latest news and events.

ADS_ www.australiandancingsociety.com.au

The Benefits of membership is now on the website. Please have a look and learn of the great benefits you receive from being a member of the ADS.

Tattersall's Australian DanceSport Championship
www.theaustralianchampionship.com.au

World Latin Championship www.worldlatin2008.com.au

If you have any feedback or additions to any of the website please email Bryony on bryony@theaustralianchampionship.com.au

Dance Floor

Did you know that the Society CEO, Margaret Lonsdale, negotiated with Melbourne Park for a new dance floor?

It got the thumbs up at the recent Tattersall's Australian DanceSport Championship, organised by the ADS, now internationally acclaimed.

These are the statistics;

The floor is manufactured by the world renowned company - Pro King. It is made of Tasmanian Southern Blue Gum - the same surface used for sports such as basketball and netball at the Olympics Games.

Fact: It will take 10 people, 2 forklifts and approximately 4 to 6 hours to assemble the floor - thank you Melbourne Park!

Special awards

Congratulations to Peter and Debbie Todd on winning the Gold Brolga award for 2007 for their outstanding contribution to dancesport.

The award was presented at the Society's 'A Night to Remember' dinner at the Hotel Sofitel on the 6 December, 2007. This gala dinner assists the world of the Alfred Foundation, the fundraising arm of the Alfred Hospital.

Debbie, at the same event, was presented with life membership of the ADS.

Robert and Helen Richey were presented with honorary membership of the ADS. Robert has been associated with the ADS for 50 years. His parents served on the ADS auxiliary for many years assisting Mickey Powell to raise funds to send teams away to represent Victoria and Australia nationally and internationally.

Next Director's meeting:

***23/24 February 2008,
the Ibis, Melbourne.***