

DEERT 2014



Information Pack



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Hi All,

DERT2014 is nearly upon us! This pack details a few things that you may need to prepare before you get there. If you have any questions please let us know.

Attached are the timetables for all competitions and the marking criteria for the main competition.

You do not need to print your timetables out unless you really want to; we will be providing a copy for your team leaders in your welcome packs when you arrive.

We hope that you are all as excited as we are about DERT2014 – see you in Leeds!

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Friday 7th March



Meet and Greet – City of Leeds School, LS6 2LG

For those of you joining us on the Friday night, the school will open at 6pm. If you arrive before 6pm, there are plenty of cafés and pubs around to satiate your needs, be they food-based or alcoholic. Once open, the school will be where you pick up your welcome packs and begin the traditional socialising and sabotage operations of DERT Friday night.

There will be Food available from our hand-picked local vendors and Black Swan will be running the Bar, serving beer that we have had specially brewed for the competition. Please help us to get through the beer - we have ordered rather a lot. If you have some carry-out containers, bring them along just in case we have some left over after the Saturday evening.

The bar will close for non-camping persons at approximately 11pm to allow you to get a good night's sleep before the big day on Saturday. If you are camping at the School, Dougie (our licensee) may opt to server you a little later, if you ask nicely / bribe sufficiently.

Campers


We have two halls allocated to indoor camping, 1 noisy and 1 quiet. The quiet one is larger, but has just had a brand new floor put in – hard soled or black marking shoes cannot be worn inside. We will put signs up and behave like a tonne of bricks towards anyone breaking this rule – please bring some white soled shoes or slippers if you intend to sleep in the quiet room. There are showering facilities available for you to use – don't forget to bring a towel.

The school has told us that any items plugged into power sockets must be PAT tested. We will provide testing facilities on the Friday evening.


The school needs to be locked overnight while we are staying. The steward on duty will have a set of keys at all times and can allow access to the building via the front door if required.

Duty Steward Phone Number: 07581576191

Please be advised that all of the doors within the school are fire doors and that many of them are alarmed. We will indicate the entry and exit points to you – please do not use any other doors unless in an emergency. Any attendees needing to get out of the school while it is locked up (smokers for example) should locate the school steward and make arrangements with them.



Saturday 8th March



Breakfast

A simple breakfast will be available at the School on Saturday morning. We will also have the excellent Madeleine Express serving real coffee and a selection of pastry-based delights from their van outside.

If you require a more adventurous or meat-based breakfast, there are plenty of eateries between the venue and the City Centre, or you can head straight to your warm up pub.

The Competitions – 11am to 6pm

Warm up pubs

Warm-up dances start at 10am

We expect everyone to be incredibly fresh and raring to go first thing on Saturday morning. If for some reason this is not the case, we recommend heading to your warm up pubs for breakfast and perhaps a pint to see if the hairy dog myth has any truth to it. You can also do a warm up dance or two if you want to.

If you are doing a warm up dance, please stick to the schedule at your pub – those down to dance early are also down to dance early in the real competition. You wouldn't want to make them late to their first spot would you?

Your warm up venues are:

- ◆ The White Swan - Swan Street, LS1 6LG
- ◆ The Packhorse - 208 Woodhouse Lane, LS2 9DX
- ◆ The Chemic Tavern - 9 Johnston St, LS6 2NG
- ◆ The Hyde Park - 2 Headingley Lane, LS6 2AS



Saturday 8th March



Main Competition

Main competition dances start at 11am

Once you have warmed / woken up, you will need to get to the centre of Leeds for the main competition. Public transport options are in the programme and your welcome packs. All of the main competition pubs will be serving the beer specially brewed for DERT 2014 – we know it is above the call of duty, but please do your best to drink it.

Main competition venues:

Venue	Address	Judges
Mr Foley's	159 The Headrow, LS1 5RG	Corrie Shriver & Ian Craigs
The White Swan	159 The Headrow, LS1 5RG	Melanie Barber & Peter Brown
Whitelocks	Turks Head Yard, LS1 6HB	Martin Thompson & Frank Lee
Duck & Drake	43 Kirkgate, LS2 7DR	Fiona Taylor & James Fitzgerald
Wardrobe (upstairs)	St. Peter's Square, LS9 8AH	John Stevenson & Sue Rutland



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Spotlight Competition

Spotlight competition dances start at 11:20am

We know that you don't want to do your stage dance as the first dance of the day - we've done our best to accommodate this.

Spotlight venue:

Venue	Address	Judges
Wardrobe (downstairs)	St. Peter's Square, LS9 8AH	Sally Atkinson Aubrey O'Brien Ednie Wilson Dave Pearson



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DErTy Teams

**** PLEASE NOTE CHANGE ****

DErTy is now starting at 12:30pm rather than 1pm as previously advertised

Don't worry if you have travel arrangements and cannot get there until 1 - we should be able to adjust the order on the day if needed.


The whole DErTy competition including all dances and the awards ceremony will be completed during the break in the Spotlight competition between 12:30pm and 2pm.

The Judge minder will meet you when you arrive and ensure that you are up to speed with the proceedings. A small amount of space is available to assemble and get changed, but we advise you to arrive in kit if you can.

Please arrive in good time as the spotlight competition needs to recommence at 2pm

DErTy venue:

Venue	Address	Judges
Wardrobe (downstairs)	St. Peter's Square, LS9 8AH	John Stevenson John Shaw Jenny Day Ricky Forster



Saturday 8th March



Traditional Teams

Traditional dances start at 5:30pm

The traditional competition will start after all teams have finished their showcase dances.

Traditional venue:

Venue	Address	Judges
Wardrobe (downstairs)	St. Peter's Square, LS9 8AH	Ricky Forster Aubrey O'Brien Dave Pearson

The Showcase

(6pm to 11pm)

Time to let your collective hair down – all teams will dance at the Showcase, performing either their competition dance or something ridiculous that they've prepared specifically. These dances do not count towards the final scores, instead giving teams the opportunity to exhibit the most daring / drunken rapper figures that they are capable of.

During the showcase, the marks from the competition dances will be collated and thoroughly checked over by many people, before being handed over to the MCs in red briefcases ready for The Awards Ceremony. This will be emotional, punctuated by very funny long pauses and dramatic intakes of breath, and will provide the winning teams with the opportunity to do some serious gloating.

Once finished, we will retire to the sleeping venue with whatever beer is left, to celebrate / commiserate / complain. A free shuttle bus will run between the two venues from 10:30pm.

Showcase venue:

Venue	Address	Judges
Left Bank Centre	Cardigan Rd, Leeds, LS6 1LJ	None



Sunday 9th March



Breakfast

Again, a simple breakfast will be available from the School on Sunday morning; more gut-wrenchingly calorific sustenance will be available from local food outlets (it is a student area).

Results

Your score sheets from the judges will be available for you on Sunday morning at the school before the workshop and will be taken to the farewell venue if you do not come to the school. Your results will also be available online at www.dertinfo.co.uk immediately after the showcase.

Workshop

Workshop starts at 10:30am

Whichever team manages to win the competition on Saturday will be absolutely delighted to run a compulsory (for them) workshop on the Sunday morning. The workshop will be held in the Assembly Hall (Noisy Camping) room (unfair I know) but the school are not going to be happy if we do have 200 rapper shoes in their sports hall.

Workshop venue:

Venue	Address	Judges
City of Leeds School	Woodhouse Cliff, LS6 2LG	NONE

***** The school has to be completely vacated by 12 noon on the Sunday *****



Sunday 9th March



Farewells

Meet from 11:30am

There's no stopping some people. Once the school has been cleared out, members of Black Swan will join any survivors to bask in an inevitable sea of back patting and tales of how you were robbed on Saturday.

Farewell pub:

Venue	Address	Judges
Mr Foley's	159 The Headrow, LS1 5RG	NONE

That's about it... see you in a few weeks.

Best Wishes

Black Swan Rapper



Checklist



- ☐ Swords
- ☐ Shoes
- ☐ Kit
- ☐ Sleeping Bag
- ☐ Air bed / Roll mat
- ☐ Towel
- ☐ Wash bag
- ☐ Slippers
- ☐ Beer take out container
- ☐ Earplugs



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