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The World Swing Dance Council (WSDC) is a service organization designed to promote swing dancing and further communication. The WSDC provides information and record keeping services for those in the Swing Dance community.

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Dear Competitor:

First, thank you for the support that you have shown for the World Swing Dance Council - and for the important part that you play in the swing dance world. This past year has made all of us aware of the rapid expansion of our swing dance community.

Due to this tremendous growth, requests for information and assistance from the WSDC have greatly expanded. The increase in programs and services provided by the WSDC has stretched us beyond what we can currently provide, based on *existing membership dues and a volunteer staff*. We are very thankful for the support of our long-standing members, but now find it necessary to request support from the contestants themselves.

After interviewing a wide variety of Jack and Jill contestants, it became apparent that most do not want to pay an annual fee for tracking their points. However, a very favorable response was received regarding assessing a small fee, in direct proportion to the number of competitions entered.

As a result, in January 2003, we are introducing a new procedure. WSDC Registry Events must assess each Jack & Jill contestant only \$1.00 per registration (over and above their normal event registration fee) to assist in the overhead costs of the WSDC. These costs include, but are not confined to: Points Registry, Website updating and maintenance, Starter information for new Clubs, Phone Information, and Educational information for member Clubs, Teachers, Contestants etc. This surcharge would be assessed to Jack & Jill competitors in all swing competitions that receive Registry points and/or tracking of contests (Newcomer / Novice / Intermediate / Advanced / All-Star / Masters Divisions). This surcharge does not apply to any other contest (i.e. Strictly Swing, Classic, Showcase, etc.) With this new process in place, the additional source of income will assist the WSDC in being able to continue the expansion of all of the services now in progress.

Please note that these funds are collected by the Events, but are totally passed on to the WSDC. We also want you to know how much we appreciate your continued support. If you have any questions, feel free to contact any Board Member of the World Swing Dance Council.

Regards,
Board of Directors
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