Hello Dancers,

The Ceroc Competition Committee would like to thank you all for your cooperation over this period of implementing the new rules and points system. We have received a lot of positive feedback about the new points concept. We appreciate your support and understanding that this is a complex task that will need time to adjust and perfect. We have discussed at length some of the issues that arose through using it at the first competition this year, the Waikato 2015 Championships, and have some amendments as listed below to implement for going forward with the system.

## **NEWCOMERS**

There is no longer a minimum number of Newcomers required to compete in an event before points are awarded (Section 2.4 Earning Points of the Ceroc New Zealand Competition Rules, Categories and Judging criteria).

Points will be awarded to all the Newcomer placegetters at the 2015 Waikato Championships and in the future.

## **INTERMEDIATE B**

There has been an amendment to the points Intermediate B placegetters earn from placing in Classic categories. (Section 2.4 Earning Points of the Ceroc New Zealand Competition Rules, Categories and Judging criteria).

Intermediate B placegetters will earn 21 points for first, 14 points for second, and 7 points for third.

This change to the rules has been made to correct an inconsistency in the number of placings required to elevate to the next level compared to the other dance levels. These points will be awarded to the Intermediate B placegetters at the 2015 Waikato Championships and in the future.

## **OPEN**

The Open category has been re-assessed to measure its influence on the elevation of competitors and it has been decided we need to re-categorise this as a Creative Event and adjust the points earned accordingly. As a Creative Event, 1st place receives 3 points, 2nd place gets 2 points and 3rd place 1 point.

We believe it is appropriate to re-evaluate the point's level of some competitors in light of this change to more accurately reflect their competition dance level, which may result in adjusting some already verified point scores. Open category placegetters will receive the new points values for all past competition results. The Waikato Champs 2015 did not have 6 couples competing in Open Freestyle and therefore will not receive any points.

## THANK-YOU!

Again thanks for your support and patience with this transition. We all want to make the Ceroc Competition circuit as fun and fair as possible.

If you have any urgent concerns please contact Ross Craigie.

Cheers,

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