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A memorable and fun-filled event took place in December 2013 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre in Wan Chai. This was none other than the annual dress up do for The Hong Kong Line Dancing Association, themed 'International Costume Night'. Around 150 guests attended and many came to the party dressed in costumes from many countries worldwide.

As usual the dancing was led mostly by Lina but six instructors who are under her umbrella also took turns to lead on the dance floor. A long-time student of Lina's and UCWDC Female Crown Line Champion, Lilian Lo, showed off her showcase talent by performing a solo dance 'Fa Mu Lan', a unique and interesting piece of choreography which combines country western dance technique and music with Chinese cultural influences.

The highlight of the evening was the competition for the Best Costume award. This was conducted in the format of a costume parade. All competitors were required to parade around the function room in sequential order. Each guest, whether in costume competing or not, was asked to cast one vote for his or her favourite costume. There were no set guidelines as to what they had to look for in the costumes. One group even dressed as cheerleaders to root for every competitor and for themselves. The party spirit was absolutely fabulous. The cheering became even louder when, 'mystery competitor' Lina, made her appearance in an elegant and regal Chinese costume towards the end of the parade. Votes were tabulated by several members of the Association Committee and the award for the Best Costume of the Evening went to Yvonne Tang who came to the party dressed as an Eskimo. Not only was there originality in



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Fun filled events are never ending with the Hong Kong Line Dancing Association.

Lina Choi tells us what they have been up to recently.

the outfit, there was also an 'ethnic' air in the way Yvonne carried herself during the parade.

The party ended at midnight with many guests leaving with tired feet from dancing, full stomachs from consuming delicious food from the East-meets-West buffet tables, excitement of the costume parade and winning at the raffle draw. But most important of all, every guest left the party with a vivid memory of another successful event in 2013 at The Hong Kong Line Dancing Association.

On Saturday March 1, 2014 the Year of the Horse 'galloped' into the studio at 10:30am, bringing bundles of good luck, good health, happiness and prosperity to the 100 or so members and friends of the Association. The special occasion was the Annual Chinese New Year Celebration. The highlight of the event was the roast pig cutting ceremony by Lina and partner Pei Wah to signify the start of a prosperous Lunar New Year for all students and friends. Our culinary expert Colette produced scrumptious home made dishes that whet everyone's appetite in between happy dancing. After the ceremonial rituals the roast pig was cut up into bite size portions by a specially trained chef. The juicy meat and crispy skin of the roast pig was then served to everyone so good fortune would bestow upon them throughout the year.

As photo taking and socialising were interspersed between dancing and eating, five hours of this joyous occasion flew by. So it looks like The Year of the Horse, 2014 will be a promising and blessed year for Lina and The Hong Kong Line Dancing Association.

