



9 & 10 SEPTEMBER 2017

KINGSDOWN SCHOOL

HYDE ROAD

SWINDON

WILTSHIRE

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CLÁRAITHE LEIS AN COIMISIÚN LE RINCÍ GAELACHA

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Dear Teachers, Parents & Dancers,

Following our previous feisanna, we are holding the 2017 McInerney Open Feis on 9 & 10 September 2017.

We will be returning to the Kingsdown School in Swindon. We have three halls; two for dancing and one for results, where presentations for both grades & championships will take place.

The grades are open to all regions and will be run as trophy competitions with lovely trophies for 1st-3rd. We will also be running a traditional set dance competition for all grades and ages, plus an U9 Open Set dance competition. All dancers will be placed in the reel & heavy jig.

Championships from U6 upwards will be adjudicated by a panel of 3 adjudicators. We will also be holding Preliminary Championships from U10 upwards. Trophies will be awarded for the top 5 with Sashes for the Top 3. Printed results will be available for all championships and prelims.

Feispix will be taking photos of grade and championship presentations as well as studio photos. We will also have Feis Wear and Melanie Murphy attending to supply all your dancing needs and refreshments will be available all weekend.

Please note the closing date for entries is 1 September 2017. Entries received after this date will be accepted but will incur additional fees as per the SERC ruling.

If any teachers have questions please do not hesitate to contact Mike, 07720 811116.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Feis and would like to thank you in advance for your support.

Mike McInerney B.G.

And the parents and students of
The McInerney School of Irish Dancing

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Standard Rules

1. Lodgment of entries implies that you acknowledge and accept all of the Rules of An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and the Southern England Regional Council plus the additional rules listed below, relating to the Feis.
2. Entries will only be accepted from Schools registered with An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and entry forms must be signed by the registered teacher. Entries with no fee will not be processed or acknowledged.
3. New entries may be taken on the day of the Feis in line with SERC late entry rule.
4. Ages to be taken from **1st January 2017**.
5. All competitors may be required to produce their birth certificate / passport as proof of age.
6. Competitors must dance in their own age group for solo competitions except where there is no competition in their age group for that particular dance. Dancers cannot compete in a younger age group.
7. All decisions of the Adjudicators are **FINAL**.
8. Committee members only may approach the Adjudicators.
9. ALL Grade Competitions are OPEN to all Regions.
10. Competitors may only dance each dance in one grade
11. Where there are five or less competitors in a competition, results will not affect their grading.
12. In all Heavy dances the lead around must be danced on both the right and left foot.
13. A Novice is a dancer who has not gained a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in a Novice Grade competition or any medal in a higher grade for that particular dance.
14. The basic step rule will apply to all Novice competitions as per the Southern England Regional Council.
15. The Primary Grade is for dancers who have not won a 1st or 2nd place for that particular dance in any Age Group.
16. All Novice and Primary dancers may only wear a class costume, simple dancewear or appropriate attire (skirt & top or simple dress for girls and trousers, shorts and t-shirt or shirt for boys) in competitions up to and including the Under 12 Age Group. Make-up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades up to and including the Under 12 age group Worldwide. Failure to comply with this rule may lead to disqualification from the competition.
17. The Intermediate Grade is for dancers who have not won a 1st place for that particular dance in a particular Age Group, or who has not won a Premier competition, Preliminary Championships or Open Championship.
18. Intermediate competitors can dance their grade dances and either the Preliminary or Open Championship.
19. If a dancer wins ONE Preliminary Championship from 1st January, they are no longer eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship for the remainder of that year or the following calendar year.
20. A dancer is not eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship if they have been placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open Championship from 1st January in the previous year or within the current calendar year. Once a dancer qualifies for Oireachtas Na Cruinne, they must not enter a Preliminary Championship. They may not compete in Preliminary Championships in the year that they are eligible to dance at Oireachtas Na Cruinne, and the following calendar year. Dancers, who qualify for Oireachtas Na Cruinne, are an exception to the rule where they may have automatically qualified due to low entry levels at their Regional Oireachtas. These dancers may remain in the Preliminary grade, if they so wish, until such time they win out of the grade.
21. Competitors can only dance in either Preliminary or Open Championship; they may not compete in both.
22. If a dancer wins a Preliminary Championship where there were 5 or fewer dancers in the competition, the dancer will still be eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship.
23. Competitions may be combined at the Feis Organisers discretion if only one competitor is entered.
24. The points above apply when a dancer competes from Under 10 & upwards. A dancer, who has been placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open Championship in the age groups below Under 10, will be eligible to compete in Preliminary Championships. (Teachers are advised / requested to use their own discretion)
25. A Panel of Three Adjudicators will judge all Championships from Under 6 upwards
26. An Coimisiun has ruled that from 1st January of each year, that no block, en pointe, stationary or moving be allowed to be performed for all ages up to and including the under 12 age group Worldwide. The Under 12 Age Group will be allowed to Toe Walk from 1st September.
27. The Feis Organiser must provide Non-Slip flooring for every dance surface, however the Feis Organiser cannot accept any liability for injury sustained whilst dancing.
28. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove same will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed apparatus, proof of which may be required, will be exempt from this ruling
29. In order to comply with the health and safety measures, all dancers lining up side stage prior to any round of a competition will be required to perform the simple exercise of raising arms to shoulder level unhindered. If unable to do this due to costume stitching or any arm attachments by the time of their rotation will not be permitted to perform
30. Make-up Rules (4.5 in CLRG Rule Book) 4.5.2 Make-up (including false eyelashes) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group (POINT OF CLARIFICATION) For the purposes of this rule the term "Make-up" includes tinted moisturiser and any artificial tanning products. An Coimisiun hopes that teachers and parents will interpret and apply this rule in the spirit in which it is intended

31. Dancers must be properly attired throughout the whole competition and must be in full costume and appropriate footwear when receiving awards. No changing allowed in competition areas.
32. Any form of unauthorized photography which has the capability to capture a dancer's image whilst in motion, using electronic or manual means, e.g. mobile phone, standard camera, video camcorder, cine recorder, commercial film, with or without flash enhancement, is **expressly forbidden in ALL competition.**
33. Photographs taken at awards ceremonies are permitted, however these must be for your own use and not used for public display purposes, unless permission has been obtained.
34. Any competition can be moved to another hall at the discretion of the Feis Secretary.
35. All Championship cups are perpetual and recipients will be responsible for any loss or damage and for the safe return in adequate time to be presented to subsequent winners.
36. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children, at all times, whilst attending the Feis.
37. The Feis Organiser accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to personal property.
38. No Smoking, eating or drinking in any of the halls, except in designated areas.
39. Objections against any breach of the above rules must be made in writing, and signed, to the Feis Secretary and accompanied by a fee of £25.00, which will be refunded if the objection is upheld. If parents have any constructive comments to make about any aspect of Feiseanna, these would be welcomed by the council and should be put in writing. It should be noted that anonymous correspondence cannot be dealt with.

AWARDS

Trophies / Medals will be awarded in accordance with the minimum requirements as laid down by the **Southern England Regional Council**:

- 2 medal where there is 5 OR less competitors
- 4 medals where there are 6-10 competitors
- 7 medals where there are 11-20 competitors
- 10 medals where there are 21-30 competitors
- 14 medals where there are 31- 40 competitors
- and 1 medal for each additional 5 or part of 5 competitors.

2016 CUP HOLDERS

CHAMPIONSHIPS

UNDER 6	-	EVIE ROBERTS, DUFFY-TRAVIS
UNDER 7	-	CIARAN MITCHELL, CAREY ACADEMY
UNDER 8	-	SIENNA SKEHILL, CELTIC HEARTS
UNDER 9	-	AINE MORONEY, SCOIL RINCE CEIM OIR
UNDER 10	-	ELLIE-KATE MCCARTHY, MCGAHAN LEES
UNDER 11	-	ELLA MCCARTHY, SCOIL RINCE CEIM OIR
UNDER 11 BOYS	-	JARED MARSHALL, MARSHALL ACADEMY
UNDER 12	-	HARLEIGH BOTHWELL, TURLEY-DUGGAN ACADEMY
UNDER 13	-	LILY McDONNELL, THE IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
UNDER 13 BOYS	-	RILEY MISZKURKA-MRRISON, CAREY ACADEMY
UNDER 14	-	NIAMH O'REILLY, TRACEY TAFFEE ACADEMY
UNDER 15	-	KATIE FEE, FINBAR CONWAY
UNDER 15 BOYS	-	HARRISON CLARKE, REEL EIRE
UNDER 16	-	MEGAN BOWDITCH, SCOIL RINCE CEIM OIR
UNDER 17	-	EMILY KING, FORRESTALL SCHOOL
UNDER 19 LADIES	-	OLIVIA NI BAOLAIN, WARD-MALLINSON
OVER 17 MEN	-	NIALL FORREST, MCGAHAN LEES
SENIOR LADIES	-	SAOIRSE NI MACNAIL, AARON CROSBIE ACADEMY

PRELIMINARY

UNDER 10	-	LARA CONVEY, TURLEY-DUGGAN ACADEMY
UNDER 11	-	GEORGIA RESOORT, MAGUIRE O'SHEA
UNDER 12	-	HANNAH O'CONNOR, RACHEL DOWNEY SCHOOL
UNDER 13	-	ELEANOR BRADY. BLAIR-MCCARTHY
UNDER 14	-	GRACE JOHNSON, GRIFFIN LYNCH
UNDER 15	-	FIONA PAICE, O'MALLY
UNDER 17	-	KELLY MCGILLICUDDY, MCGAHAN LEES
OVER 17	-	NICOLE TYE, MAGUIRE O'SHEA

**PLEASE RETURN ALL CUPS IN TIME FOR THIS YEARS
COMPETITIONS**

THANK YOU

MIXED OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS (40 Bars - Reel & Light Jig)

Age Group	Round 1	Round 2	Recall
Under 6	Reel	Light Jig/Heavy Jig	No Recall
6 & U7	Reel	Light Jig/Heavy Jig	No Recall

GIRLS OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (40 Bars Reel & Heavy Jig/32 Bars Slip Jig & Hornpipe)

Age Group	Round 1	Round 2	Recall
7 & U8	Heavy Jig	Reel	Traditional Set Dance
8 & U9	Heavy Jig	Reel	Traditional Set Dance
9 & U10	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
10 & U11	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
11 & U12	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
12 & U13	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
13 & U14	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
14 & U15	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
15 & U16	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
16 & U17	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
17 & U19	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
Over 19	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance

BOYS OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP (40 Bars Reel & Heavy Jig/32 Bars Hornpipe)

Age Group	Round 1	Round 2	Recall
U9	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel	Traditional Set Dance
9 & U11	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set Dance
11 & U13	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set Dance
13 & U15	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set Dance
15 & U17	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set Dance
Over 17	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set Dance

MIXED PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP (40 Bars Reel & Heavy Jig/32 Bars Slip Jig & Hornpipe)

Age Group	Round 1	Round 2	Recall
9 & U10	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
10 & U11	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
11 & U12	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
12 & U13	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
13 & U14	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
14 & U15	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
15 & U17	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
Over 17	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance

FEES

Solo Competitions (all trophy dances)	£4.00
Championships/Preliminary U10 Upwards Mixed Trad Set Competition (Champ/Pre-Lim)	£23 includes 2 solo results £4.00
U6 - U9 Championships	£10.00 (<u>Must dance 2 solos in Grades</u>)
Ceili & Figure Competitions Maximum Fee for 1 dancer	£2.00 per dancer £35
Family Fee (2 dancers) (3 or more dancers)	£55 £65
DOOR FEE PAYABLE ON THE DAY -	£5 for 1 Day/£8 for 2 Days

Entries to be sent to the Feis Secretary:

Sandy Coogan

McInerney Open Feis
41 Bluebell Way
Thatcham
Berks
RG18 4BX

Email: sandypc1@sky.com

Cheques to be made payable to:

“McInerney School”

Closing Date for Entries is FRIDAY 1st SEPTEMBER 2017

[SERC RULE FOR LATE ENTRIES](#)

Entries received on or before Fri 1st Sep - Normal fees apply.

Entries received between Sat 2nd Sep & Fri 8th Sep - Fees will incur a **£2 administration fee per dancer.**

Entries will be accepted on the day of the Feis but will be subject to a **£5 administration fee per dancer.**

DIRECTIONS

At junction 15, take the A346/A419 exit to A420/ Marlborough/Swindon (E)/Oxford Marlborough A346 Swindon (E) A419 Oxford (A420)	
At Badbury Roundabout, take the 1st exit onto Marlborough Rd/A419 Continue to follow A419 Swindon A419 Oxford (A420)	
Slight left onto Hyde Rd Go through 1 roundabout	
Continue onto Ermin St/B4006	
Turn left Destination will be on the left	
Arrive: Ermin St, Swindon, Swindon SN2 7SH, UK	

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Airports - Swindon is about 45 miles from Bristol Airport. Alternatively Heathrow Airport is about 70 miles down the M4 and trains run via Reading Station to Swindon

Trains - Swindon Station is on the main line into Paddington station, London. The fee is about 5 minutes in a taxi.

Taxis V Cars - 01793 701 701 A1 taxis - 01793 205 060 United Radio Cars - 01793 611111

HOTELS

Holiday Inn Swindon (BASE HOTEL) - 01793 817080

www.hiswindonhotel.co.uk

Premier Inn Swindon Central - 0871 527 9064

www.premierinn.com

Saturday 9th September 2017

SPORTS HALL			
Main Hall	Floor 1	Floor 2	Floor 3
9.00 am	U14 CHAMP GIRLS	U11 NOVICE	U11 INTER
9.30 am	U15 CHAMP-BOYS/GIRLS (alt.)	U12 NOVICE	U12 INTER
10.00 am	LUNCH	LUNCH	
10.30 am	U11 CHAMP GIRLS/BOYS (alt.)	U11 PRELIM U12 PRELIM (alt.)	
11.00 am	U12 CHAMP GIRLS	U10 NOVICE	U10 INTER
11.30 am	U13 CHAMP GIRLS/BOYS (alt.)	U13 NOVICE	U13 INTER
12.00	U16 GIRLS/U17 GIRLS & U17 BOYS CHAMP (alt.)	U10 PRELIM	
12.30 pm	U19/O19 LADIES & O17 MENS OPEN CHAMPS (alt.)	U13 PRELIM	

Sunday 10th September 2017

SPORTS HALL			
Main Hall	Floor 1	Floor 2	Floor 3
9.00 am	U14/U15 PRELIM (alt.)	U9 NOVICE	U9 INTER/OPEN
9.30 am	U9 GIRLS/BOYS CHAMPS (alt.)	U8 NOVICE	U8 INTER/OPEN
10.00 am	U8 GIRLS CHAMPS	13-U15/OVER 15 (ALT.) NOVICE	13-U15/OVER 15 (ALT.) INTER
10.30 am	LUNCH	LUNCH	
11.00 am	U10 GIRLS CHAMPS	U5 ungraded U6 NOVICE (ALT.)	U6 INTER/OPEN
11.30 am	15 -U17 PRELIM	U7 NOVICE	U7 INTER/OPEN
12.00	O17 PRELIM (alt.)		
12.30 pm	U6 CHAMP/U7 CHAMP (alt.)		
1.00 pm	LUNCH		
1.30 pm	LUNCH		
2.00 pm	LUNCH		
2.30 pm	LUNCH		
3.00 pm	LUNCH		
3.30 pm	LUNCH		
4.00 pm	LUNCH		
4.30 pm	LUNCH		
5.00 pm	LUNCH		
5.30 pm	LUNCH		
6.00 pm	LUNCH		
6.30 pm	LUNCH		
7.00 pm	LUNCH		
7.30 pm	LUNCH		

PLEASE BE READY TO DANCE 30 MINUTES BEFORE THE START OF YOUR COMPETITION

CEIL/FIGURE COMPETITONS WILL BE ADDED TO THE TIMETABLE UPON RECEIPT OF ENTRIES

ALL RESULTS WILL BE PRESENTED IN THE RESULTS GYM AT THE END OF EACH AGE GROUP