

*The North West Teachers & Adjudicators Association in conjunction with  
The North West Regional Council is proud to announce*

# *31st British National Championships*

*Wednesday 27th to Friday 29th July 2022*

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*Bolton Whites Hotel & Conference Centre  
De Havilland Way, Bolton, BL6 6SF*

## *Adjudicators - Moltóiri*

Cian Nolan	ADCRG	Munster, Ireland
David Smith	ADCRG	Scotland, UK
Deborah Mulvenna	ADCRG	Ulster, Ireland
Gary Healy	ADCRG	Mid-Atlantic, USA
Mary Brady-Costello	ADCRG	Connacht, Ireland
Michael Stanley	ADCRG	Midlands, UK
Nina Burke	ADCRG	Leinster, Ireland
Patricia Brady-Mullins	ADCRG	Munster, Ireland
Sonia Leonard-Hanly	ADCRG	Ulster, Ireland

## *Musicians - Ceoltóiri*

Aidan O'Neill	England
Dean Crouch	England
Gary Currie	Ireland
Margaret Robertson	Scotland
Martin Daly	Scotland
Seamus O'Sullivan	Scotland

**Cláraithe leis An Choimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha**

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## TEACHER ENQUIRIES:

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## ENTRY FEES

U6 CHAMPIONSHIP (includes a set of online Marks)	£40 PER DANCER
SOLO CHAMPIONSHIPS (includes a set of online Marks)	£60 PER DANCER
CEILI CHAMPIONSHIPS (£40.00 PER TEAM)	£5 PER DANCER
FAMILY MAXIMUM (Siblings ONLY)	£150.00

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS MONDAY 13th JUNE 2022

## DOOR ENTRY

1 DAY ENTRY IS £15.00 PER ADULT - £5.00 FOR CONCESSIONS

2 DAY ENTRY IS £25.00 PER ADULT - £5.00 FOR CONCESSIONS

3 DAY ENTRY IS £30.00 PER ADULT - £5.00 FOR CONCESSIONS

## CONTACT INFORMATION & SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

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Facebook: [www.facebook.com/britishnationalchampionships](http://www.facebook.com/britishnationalchampionships)

Website: [www.britishnationals.com](http://www.britishnationals.com)

Syllabus and Entry Pack : [www.instepfm.com/BN2022.html](http://www.instepfm.com/BN2022.html)

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## REQUIRED DANCES

CODE	NAME	YEAR OF BIRTH	ENTRY FEE	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3
6M	U6 MIXED	2016	£40.00	REEL	SINGLE JIG	
7M	U7 MIXED	2015	£60.00	REEL	SINGLE JIG	LIGHT JIG
8G	U8 GIRLS	2014	£60.00	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
9G	U9 GIRLS	2013	£60.00	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
10G	U10 GIRLS	2012	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
11G	U11 GIRLS	2011	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
12G	U12 GIRLS	2010	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
13G	U13 GIRLS	2009	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
14G	U14 GIRLS	2008	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
15G	U15 GIRLS	2007	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
16G	U16 GIRLS	2006	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
17G	U17 GIRLS	2005	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
18L	U18 LADIES	2004	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
19L	U19 LADIES	2003	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
20L	U20 LADIES	2002	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
21L	U21 LADIES	2001	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
SL	OVER 21 LADIES	200 OR EARLIER	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
8B	U8 BOYS	2014	£60.00	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
9B	U9 BOYS	2013	£60.00	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
10B	U10 BOYS	2012	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
11B	U11 BOYS	2011	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
12B	U12 BOYS	2010	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
13B	U13 BOYS	2009	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
14B	U14 BOYS	2008	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
15B	U15 BOYS	2007	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
16B	U16 BOYS	2006	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
17B	U17 BOYS	2005	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
18M	U18 MEN	2004	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
19M	U19 MEN	2003	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
20M	U20 MEN	2002	£60.00	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
21M	U21 MEN	2001	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
SM	OVER 21 MEN	2000 OR EARLIER	£60.00	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET

**CEILI AGE GROUPS - U10 - U12 - U15 - U18 Ladies - O18 Ladies - O15 Mixed - Ceili dances to be taken from Ár Rinci Ceili - PART A OR PART B MAY BE DANCED.**

# **BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS PROVISIONAL DAYS - SUBJECT TO ENTRIES**

***BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - WEDNESDAY 27th JULY 2022***

**UNDER 6 MIXED**

**UNDER 7 MIXED**

**UNDER 17 GIRLS & BOYS**

**UNDER 19 LADIES & MEN**

**UNDER 21 LADIES & MEN**

**SENIOR LADIES & MEN O/21**

***BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - THURSDAY 28th JULY 2022***

**UNDER 8 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 9 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 10 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 11 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 13 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 15 BOYS & GIRLS**

***BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - FRIDAY 29th JULY 2022***

**UNDER 12 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 14 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 16 BOYS & GIRLS**

**UNDER 18 MEN & LADIES**

**UNDER 20 MEN & LADIES**

**ALL CEILI CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**CHANGES TO PROVSIONAL DAYS MAY OCCUR SUBJECT TO ENTRIES RECEIVED**

**PLEASE CHECK [WWW.INSTEPFM.COM](http://WWW.INSTEPFM.COM) FOR FINAL TIMETABLE PUBLICATION ON 1st JULY 2022**

## Lodgement of Entries

- 1 The website for lodgement of entries is - [www.instepfm.com](http://www.instepfm.com). The website provides clear instructions on how to complete the ENTRY process. All entries must be lodged through this website and full payment made by the closing date of **Monday 13th June 2022**.
- 2 **NOTE: No entries whatsoever will be taken if postmarked after 13th June 2022.**
- 3 Following lodgement through the website, an email confirming all entries submitted and the total fee payable will be sent to the teacher.
- 5 Postal entries to: – Des Silke, 133 Hatfeild Mead, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5PG
- 6 Entries received after the final date will be treated as late and not accepted.
- 7 Members need to be aware that once entries are 'SUBMITTED' online they need to pay the amount on the confirmation email. If the amount on the confirmation email is not fully paid entries will not be accepted. There will be a facility to pay direct into the British National Championships bank account - this information will be provided with the confirmation of Entry.
- 8 It is the responsibility of the teacher to ensure that the entry as submitted on line is correct. When the confirmation email is received, names and dates of birth must be carefully checked. Spellings etc. as submitted by the teacher will be that which appears in the official programme.
- 9 Incomplete entries will not be accepted. All dancers' names must be submitted by the closing date.
- 10 **No refunds will be made for any entry money received.**
- 11 Entries to be paid by Sterling cheque or banker's draft, and only **ONE** cheque will be allowed per school entered. Further entries will be subject to a £10 administration fee per cheque, which must be submitted at the time of payment. It is the responsibility of the teacher to ensure that funds are available to cover all cheques. **Cheque to be made payable to "BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS."**
- 12 Should a cheque be refused by the bank, BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS ORGANISERS retain the right to refuse the entire entry and/or charge an administration fee of £10 to cover extra bank charges.

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## 2022 BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - RULES OF THE COMPETITION

- 1** A dancer's age group will be determined as from 1st January 2022.
- 2** Entries will only be accepted from dancing teachers registered with An Coimisiún Le Rinci Gaelacha for the year 2021/2022 only.
- 3** The adjudicators' decision is final. Only members of the North West Teachers Association and those officially assisting them in the running of the championships may approach the adjudicators during competitions.
- 4** Complaints will only be accepted from registered teachers, in writing, and must be accompanied by a fee of £50.00, which may be refunded if the North West Teachers Association upholds said objection.
- 5** Teachers are advised that all details required on the entry forms must be completed. Entry forms received in contravention of this rule will be returned.
- 6** All competitors must be ready to dance 30 minutes prior to the published time. They must also report to the stage stewards promptly and dance in the prescribed order. Failure to report in time to dance in order will lead to disqualification. Competitors are strongly advised to check the timetable for last-minute changes to times or halls, both leading up to the event and on the day of competition.
- 7** In all rounds, the minimum speeds of music as laid down by An Coimisiún will apply.
- 8** The recall in solo championships will be as follows –
  - \* Under 6, 7, 8 & 9 – 100% Recall
  - \* From Under 10 upwards - 50% recall of the number of dancers entered up to a maximum of 50 competitors.
  - \* NW Teachers Association reserve the right to amend this percentage
- 9** The onus of ensuring that the stage steward is informed of the correct name and metronomic speed of the nominated open set dance will rest with the competitor.
  - \* An incorrect metronomic speed submitted for an open set dance can only be changed prior to the commencement of the open set dance round.
  - \* Introduction to open set dances will be played only once and no alteration in that speed of music will be permitted.
  - \* Should a competitor commence dancing to an incorrect metronomic speed submitted to the stage steward then that competitor must continue to dance at that speed as no further opportunity of tempo change will be afforded.
- 10** In the event of a mishap on stage, e.g. a heel or shoe coming off, the dancer should retire to the back of the stage and remain there, allowing the other dancer(s) to continue with their performance. If a dancer fails to comply with this direction and leaves the stage, then he/she will be deemed to have failed to complete the round and will be eliminated from the championship
- 11** Should a dancer fall and the stage situation be that he/she inhibits the performance or safety of other dancers on stage, the bell will be rung and the group will be permitted to dance again. Should the fall happen in the last 16 bars of the dance then the dancer/s will be required to redance the last 16 bars only.
- 12** If a competitor sustains injury or illness during the course of a competition, and the organisers have reason to believe that such an illness or injury could be exacerbated by continued participation, he/she will be advised to retire from the competition. If this advice is ignored, then prior to continuation, the dancer (or in the case of a child or young person (5 to 17 years) an appropriate adult) will be required to sign a disclaimer form, which will be retained in the event of a possible future enquiry.
- 13** Any competitors found to be using artificial carriage aids will be requested to remove same. In the case of refusal, disqualification will follow. In the case of medical apparatus, this will be permitted upon the production of a letter from a medical practitioner or other documentary evidence in support, to prove authenticity and the requirement for the aid to be used or worn.

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- 14** Any form of unauthorised photography which has the capability of capturing 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 during competitions. Photographs taken at awards ceremonies are permitted. However, these must be for your own use, and not for public display purposes unless permission has been obtained
- 15** The rules of An Coimisiún Le Rinci Gaelacha as regards standards of dress must be adhered to in public areas of the venue; discretion must be exerted when dancers are changing for competitions. Changing areas will be provided.
- 16** Dancers taking part in results ceremonies will not be permitted to go onto stage to receive any award unless in full costume and wearing **black dance shoes**.
- 17** All dancers deserve the same respect and ovation on completion of their performance. Excessive and unique verbal celebrations will not be tolerated on completion of a performance.
- 18** All cups and shields are perpetual awards. These are the responsibility of the holder for the relevant year, who is responsible for loss and any damage not previously reported. Such cups and shields must be returned in good time for the corresponding competitions this year.
- 19** With respect to team competitions, please refer to the rules in the An Coimisiún syllabus for Oireachtas Rince Na Cruinne 2022.
- 20** The NW Teachers Association have made every effort to ensure that the stages are of the correct specification in design and structure, taking into account health and safety issues. All stages are covered with Harlequin flooring. By entering the championships, competitors accept this statement, and neither the NW Teachers Association or Southport Theatre & Convention Centre can't be held liable for any incident or event which could not be reasonably foreseen.
- 21** In the event of a dispute not covered by any of the rules of these championship, reference will be made to the Rules of An Coimisiún, appertaining to the issue or matter in dispute.

### Performance related rules.

- 22** In all heavy dances the lead-round must be danced on both right and left feet.
- 23** Competitors will dance the following :  
U6 & U7 - 40 bars in reel, single jig and light jig (all 2/3 dances must be danced) U8 & U9 - 40 bars in reel and 40 bars in heavy jig and Traditional Set Dance (all 3 dances must be danced).  
U10 – Senior - 48 bars in the reel and heavy Jig, 40 bars in the slip jig and hornpipe
- 24** A dancer who fails to dance or complete rounds one or two of a championship will receive **ZERO** marks from all Adjudicators for that round, and will not feature in the recall. Where there is 100% recall the competitor will be allowed to dance the third round as a courtesy, but will not appear in the final result. This includes competitors who do not complete the correct amount of bars by starting either before or after the 8 bar introduction.
- 25** A competitor who fails to dance or complete the open set dance round will receive **ZERO** marks from all championship adjudicators for that round and will not appear in the final result. This includes Competitors who do not complete the correct amount of bars by starting either before or after the 8 bar introduction.

### General Conduct

- 26** Your attention is drawn to the legal position with regard to smoking in public places or buildings in England. Bolton Whites Hotel and Convention Centre is designated as such a public place, and smoking is therefore forbidden in all parts of the building. It is further recommended that hair spray and similar cosmetic or hygienic spray substances should not be used in the public area(s) within the venue.
- 27** In the event of unacceptable behaviour in the venue on the part of any member of the Irish dancing community, for the duration of the Championships, Bolton Whites Hotel and Convention Centre management reserve the right to deal with those who are responsible in accordance with their policies appertaining to such situations. The North West Teachers Association will support such action with regard to unacceptable behaviour.

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Base Hotel: Bolton Whites Hotel, De Havilland Way, Bolton, BL6 6SF

Website: <https://www.boltonwhiteshotel.co.uk/>

Welcome to Bolton Whites Hotel



With the scenic West Pennine moors in the background, Bolton Whites Hotel is positioned in the heart of the Northwest and is ideally located for business and leisure guests looking for a friendly welcome and traditional Northern hospitality. Alongside 125 bedrooms we also boast over 50 meeting rooms with space for 1 to 4,000 people. By car, we are just two minutes away from junction 6 of the M61 with complimentary car parking onsite. Horwich Parkway rail station is a short five-minute walk away, meaning we are well connected to the big cities of Manchester and Liverpool.

Middlebrook, the North West's largest outdoor Retail Park, is just a stone's throw away, so you can indulge in some retail therapy or watch the latest blockbuster during your stay. If it's food and drink you are after, then you don't need to go far! With spacious lounge areas and delicious menus created by our talented team of chefs, you can dine and relax with family, friends, or colleagues. We are Bolton Whites, and we are here to make your visit a stay to remember.

## Vendors

To be advised

## Tabulation

Des Silke of Instep Feis Management will be in attendance and will be providing a full championship results service with results online after they have been announced.

## Recall & Adjudicator information

There will be a 100% Recall in the U6 to U9 Championships. U6 to U9 Championships will commence with the Light Round. U6 Championship will have 3 adjudicators for the Reel and 3 Adjudicators for the Single Jig, **6 in total**. Each Championship U7 to U9 will have 3 adjudicators for the first two rounds and a separate panel of 3 Adjudicators for the 3rd Round, **6 in total**.

From Under 10 upwards there will be a 100% recall if 20 dancers or less, 50% recall if there are 21 or more dancers up to a maximum of 50 dancers - Championships from U10 will have 3 adjudicators for the first two rounds and a separate panel of 3 Adjudicators for the 3rd Round, **6 in total**.

## Travel Information - Airports

Liverpool, John Lennon Airport L24 1YD is 39 miles from the venue.

Manchester Airport M90 1QX is 14 miles from the venue (Trains to Horwich Parkway from Manchester Airport, Approximately £8 for a single journey with one change, transfer time approximately 50 minutes).

## Travel Information - Train Station

Nearest train station is Horwich Parkway station BL6 6LB which is 5 minute walk to the venue.



# 2019 WINNERS - BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

<b>U7 MIXED</b>	ISLA DOHERTY	DEVANEY-TOGHER
<b>U8 GIRLS</b>	LILY ROSE CONROY	MORRISSEY-KEANE ACADEMY
<b>U9 GIRLS</b>	MAIA DOHERTY	McCONOMY SCHOOL
<b>U10 GIRLS</b>	CHARLEY GILMURRAY	McNELIS CUNNINGHAM BOYLE
<b>U11 GIRLS</b>	LAUREN NEARY	SYLVAN KELLY SCHOOL
<b>U12 GIRLS</b>	CAITLIN MURRAY	MCBDA
<b>U13 GIRLS</b>	MOLLY McGRORY	TURLEY-DUGGAN ACADEMY
<b>U14 GIRLS</b>	ENYA HIGGINS	HIGGINS-FLYNN SCHOOL
<b>U15 GIRLS</b>	EMILY COLANGELO	McNELIS CUNNINGHAM BOYLE
<b>U16 GIRLS</b>	LILY McDONNELL	THE IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
<b>U17 GIRLS</b>	HOLLY ROISIN DUFFY	THE DUFFY TRAVIS ACADEMY
<b>U18 LADIES</b>	CIARA WALSH	HOLLY & KAVANAGH
<b>U19 LADIES</b>	MAIREAD TRAINOR	TRAINOR SCHOOL
<b>U20 LADIES</b>	CIARA KEATING	KAVANAGH PORTER WARREN ACADEMY
<b>U22 LADIES</b>	OLIVIA NI BAOLAIN	WARD-MALLINSON SCHOOL
<b>O22 LADIES</b>	LAUREN BOHIL	CARSON KENNEDY ACADEMY
<b>U8 BOYS</b>	CILLIAN MURRAY	MCBDA
<b>U9 BOYS</b>	GARET ZAGORSKI	SOUTHERN ACADEMY
<b>U10 BOYS</b>	KILLIAN KENNY	RINCEOIRI NA RIOCHTA
<b>U11 BOYS</b>	AIDAN WARD	MARIE CONNELL SCHOOL
<b>U12 BOYS</b>	AARON DELANEY	CALLANAN MacLOONE O'MEARA
<b>U13 BOYS</b>	THAOMAS BODEN	CRAIG MASON ACADEMY
<b>U14 BOYS</b>	YOUCEF BELOUZANI	CARSON KENNEDY ACADEMY
<b>U15 BOYS</b>	JAMES FOX	O'REILLY BRANSFIELD
<b>U16 BOYS</b>	DAVID PYKE	RYAN SCHOOL
<b>U17 BOYS</b>	CALLUM O'NEILL	CAREY ACADEMY
<b>U18 MEN</b>	CONNOR MARSHALL	MARSHALL ACADEMY
<b>U19 MEN</b>	EOGHAN BOYCE	McCONOMY SCHOOL
<b>U20 MEN</b>	SEAN MORTALO	HOLLY & KAVANAGH
<b>O20 MEN</b>	CIANAN BATES	SCOIL RINCE CEIM OIR

**PLEASE RETURN CUPS IN TIME FOR PRESENTATION TO THIS YEAR'S WINNERS**