

KATIE JEFFREY MCVEY TCRG
INVITES YOU TO
THE WEST OF SCOTLAND
IRISH DANCING CHAMPIONSHIPS



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SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 2019

Fellow Teachers

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you and your dancers to the 14th annual **West of Scotland Championships**. I hope you can join me in celebrating this year's event and hopefully add to the amazing and overwhelming success of previous years.

I am delighted to announce that this year's event will be held in a brand new venue, at Chryston High School, which boasts a spacious purpose built stage, a sizable gym hall and open planned atrium area to facilitate all our requirements in comfort.

As ever, the competition will also have fabulous awards and prizes on display, with a 5 tier podium, sashes, cups, trophies, crystal and medals all up for grabs, as well as a number of exciting surprises.

This year's competition will continue to amalgamate all prelim dancers into the open championship for each age group from Under 10 through to Senior. Separate prelim results will be given to reflect rounds 1 and 2 of these championships.

I can also confirm that all grade, prelim and championship competitions are open to dancers from all regions. Please ensure you check eligibility criteria in the rules section of the syllabus.

The final timetable will be confirmed by Monday 9th September, once all entries are received, but I have prepared a provisional timetable, to assist with travel plans, and I will endeavour to stick as closely to this as possible.

Finally, I also take pleasure in confirming that our **Champion of Champions** competition will be hosted at the end of the day, where the winners of each open championship will compete for the Champion of Champions Title and a beautiful Crystal Trophy award. This competition will be split into 2 age groups, Under 5 to Under 12 and Under 13 to Senior, showcasing the amazing talent that our champions have to offer.

I look forward to seeing you there.

Katie Jeffrey McVey T.C.R.G

Entry Fees

Solo Grades	£4.00 per dance
Trophy Grades	£5.00 per dance
U5 Championship	£10.00 per dancer
U6 Championship	£15.00 per dancer
U7 - Senior Championships	£27.00 per dancer
Dancer Maximum	£45.00 per dancer
Family Maximum	£75.00 per family
Door Entry (on the day)	£5.00 per person

Feis Secretary

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Cheques should be made payable to
'The West of Scotland Championships'
1 cheque per school please

Alternatively, bank transfers can be paid to:
Acc: 00671222 / **Sort:** 83-16-13 / **Ref:** Name of Dance School

***All competition entries must be returned to the Feis Secretary by
Saturday 31st August***

Adjudicators

1. Patricia Scanlon	Birmingham
2. Marie Duffy	London
3. Dearbhla Lennon	Dundalk
4. Orla Harrington	Paris
5. Bertie Roddy	Birmingham
6. Jim Murrhny	Dundalk

Musicians

1. Seamus O'Sullivan	Glasgow
2. Gerry Conlon	Glasgow

Feis Rules

1. All Rules of An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha are applicable to this Feis unless stipulated that an agreed local rule applies.
2. Entries will only be accepted from teachers currently registered with An Coimisiún Le Rincí Gaelacha.
3. All entries must be made on the enclosed official entry form, which must be fully completed and signed by the teacher. Entries will only be accepted from teacher's en-bloc and not on an individual basis. The dancer's full FIRST & SURNAME must be entered in BLOCK CAPITALS
4. Adjudicators' decisions are final.
5. Complaints are to be submitted in writing, accompanied with a £25 fee to the Feis Secretary within 1 hour of the incident. The fee will be returned if the complaint is upheld.
6. Competitors must be present when their competition is called and fully obey all instructions / directions from Feis Stewards and Hall Keepers, or they may lose their right to dance.
7. Dancers must be ready to dance no less than 30 minutes before the scheduled start time of the competition.
8. All Open Championship trophies are perpetual challenge trophies, and must be returned at the request of the Feis committee.
9. The Feis committee may notify or cancel any arrangements detailed in this syllabus as deemed necessary, subject to the approval of The Scottish Regional Council or An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha.
10. Tempos for Intermediate and Open competitions and Open Championships will be the same as those stipulated for the World Championships.
Beginner and Primary competitions will be in accordance with those stipulated by the Scottish Regional Council. All agreed speeds are outlined below

	Reel	Single Jig	Light Jig	Slip Jig	Heavy Jig	Hornpipe
Beginner	122	124	116	122	76	128
Primary	120	124	116	118	76	120
Intermediate	113	124	116	113	73	113
Open	113	124	116	113	73	113

11. Beginner and Primary competitions are open to competitors from all regions.
12. Beginners are only permitted to dance steps equivalent to the basic reel, single jig, light jig, slip jig, heavy jig and hornpipe. Any competitors performing steps of a harder degree of difficulty in the beginner grade may be disqualified from that particular competition.
13. **BEGINNER:** A dancer winning 1st or 2nd in beginner grade, when there are at least 6 or more competitors, must dance that particular dance in primary grade (or above) for at least 12 months
14. **PRIMARY:** A dancer winning a 1st in primary grade, when there are at least 6 or more competitors, must dance that particular dance in intermediate grade (or above) for a period of at least 12 months.
15. **INTERMEDIATE:** A dancer winning a 1st in intermediate grade, when there are at least 6 competitors, must dance that particular dance in open grade for a period of at least 12 months.
16. **OPEN:** A dancer winning 1st, 2nd, or 3rd in open must dance that particular dance in OPEN for a period of at least 12 months.
17. **OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS:** a dancer placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an open championship must remain OPEN for those dances performed in that championship for a period of at least 12 months.
18. **Preliminary Championships** must have 2 or more eligible competitors. To be eligible to compete in a Preliminary Championship a dancer:
 - o Cannot have been placed in a top 3 position in an Open Championship within the last 12 months,
 - o Cannot have won a Preliminary Championship within the last 12 months irrespective of the number of competitors,
 - o Cannot have qualified for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne in any eligible events in the previous rolling 12 months. **(Next in line dancers are excluded from this rule where local adjudicators are chosen to judge the World Championships)**
 - o A Preliminary Championship is a competition which has been judged by a panel of three adjudicators (minimum) and must include at least one heavy and one light round

19. **No coaching whilst dancers are on stage during any competition, no matter what grade. This rule has specifically been laid down by the SRC. Failure to comply with this could result in disqualification of the dancer.**
20. Dancers must be in full costume and appropriate black footwear when receiving awards.
21. Dancers in Beginner and Primary competitions up to and including the Under 12 age group must abide by the Scottish Regional Council Costume rule, i.e. must only wear class costume, skirt/trousers and blouse/shirt, or appropriate civilian clothing. An Coimisiún rulings on hem/neckline will also be strictly adhered to, low cut tops or short tight skirts are not permitted. Failure to comply with this rule may lead to disqualification from the competition.
22. Changing Facilities will be provided and must be used. No changing in the halls will be allowed.
23. The use of hairspray will only be permitted in designated changing areas. No hairspray to be used in competition halls or corridors.
24. Female adult dancers participating in competitions (both solo and teams) are required to wear opaque black tights of a denier not less than 70.
25. The dress code in accordance with An Coimisiún ruling will be strictly observed, i.e. For the sake of modesty and in the interest of the safety to young people, dancers will not be permitted to walk around the feis scantily dressed.
26. Make up rules (4.5 CLRG Rule Book)
 4.5.1 *Make- up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades (Beginner and Primary) up to and including the Under 12 age group worldwide.*
 4.5.2. *Make- up (including false eye lashes) 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 purpose of this rule the term “make up” includes tinted moisturiser and any artificial tanning products. An Coimisiún hopes that teachers and parents will interpret and apply this rule in the spirit in which it is intended.
Effective March 1st 2014.
27. No block, en Pointe movements, stationary or moving, are allowed to be performed for all ages up to and including the under 11 age group.
****For clarification purposes, this means that if the full weight is put on the foot, that is en pointe, this is not allowed in any movement.* (added 27.01.19)***
28. Competitors must not practice in competition halls or side stage. This rule will be strictly enforced. Any dancer found causing damage to floor surfaces out with areas designated as official dance areas will be personally liable for any necessary repairs.
29. PHOTOGRAPHY - Any form of unauthorised 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 competition by anyone except the official feis photographer. The official feis photographer has been vetted in accordance with An Coimisiún Le Rinci Gaelacha guidelines.
30. PLEASE NOTE – your child / children to be excluded from being photographed by nominated individuals (agreed by the feis committee) during their performance or throughout the event this should be advised in advance. Updates will be posted on social media throughout the day, therefore it is imperative that feis organisers are advised of anyone who is to be omitted
31. The use of mobile phones and electronic games is strictly prohibited in the dancing area.
32. Smoking is not allowed in the venue.
33. The committee will, as far as practicable, provide stage surfaces for dancing. However the committee cannot accept any liability whatsoever for injuries sustained while a dancer is on stage.
34. The Feis Committee are not responsible for any loss or damage to personal property. All personal property is the sole responsibility of the owners and organisers urge you not to leave items left unattended.
35. The Scottish Regional Council has a zero tolerance policy on the consumption of alcohol in all dancing areas at Feiseanna. Furthermore the consumption of alcohol in non-licensed premises is a breach of Scottish law and may be subject to further action by the appropriate authorities.

Directions

By Road

Chryston High School is conveniently located just minutes drive from the M80 and M73 motorways. The building is fully accessible and DDA compliant, and has ample free parking on site.

By Air

- Glasgow Airport: 16 miles / 20 mins drive
- Edinburgh Airport 36 miles / 40 mins drive
- Prestwick Airport 40 miles / 50 mins drive

By Rail

- Glasgow Central: 9 miles / 15 mins drive

Accommodation

- Best Western Garfield House 0141 779 2111
- Premier Inn Glasgow Stepps 0871 527 8452
- Crowwood House Hotel 0141 779 3861

Solo Grades

(B – Beginner, P – Primary, I – Intermediate)

Age Group	Reel	Single Jig	Light Jig	Slip Jig	Light Trophy	Heavy Jig	Hornpipe	Heavy Trophy
U6	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	I	I	I
U7	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I
U8	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I
U9	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I
U10	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I
U11	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I
U12	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I
O12	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I	B,P,I

Open Championships

(Solo results will be given for rounds 1 and 2 from U7 – Senior)

(Prelim results will be given for age groups U10 – Senior)

Age Group	1 st Round	2 nd Round	Recall
U5	Reel		
U6	Reel	Single Jig	
U7	Reel	Single Jig	Light or Heavy Jig
U8	Reel	Heavy Jig	Hornpipe
U9	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Traditional Set Dance
U10	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
U11	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
U12	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
U13	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
U14	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
U15	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
U16	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
U18	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
Senior	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance

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Solo Entry Form

Name of Dancing School _____ Teachers Name _____

Email Address _____ Teachers Signature _____

Name	Age Group	Reel	Single Jig	Light Jig	Slip Jig	Light Trophy	Heavy Jig	Horn-pipe	Heavy Trophy	Champ	Prelim <i>(tick if eligible)</i>	Total
Total												

West of Scotland Championships Provisional Timetable 2019

	Hall A	Hall B		
		Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
08:30	Under 11, 12 & 13 Champ	Under 10 Beginner	Under 11 Beginner	Under / Over 12 Beginner
09:30		Under 10 Primary	Under 11 Primary	Under / Over 12 Primary
10:45		Under 10 Intermediate	Under 11 Intermediate	Under / Over 12 Intermediate
12:30	Under 9 & 10 Champ	Under 6 & 7 Beginner	Under 8 Beginner	Under 9 Beginner
13:30		Under 6 & 7 Primary	Under 8 Primary	Under 9 Primary
14:00	Under 14 & 15 Champ			
14:30		Under 6 & 7 Intermediate	Under 8 Intermediate	Under 9 Intermediate
15:30	Under 16, 18 & Senior Champ	Under 5, 6 , 7 & 8 Champ		
18:00	Champion of Champions			