

On behalf of An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha,
Comhairle Chonnacht Present

Oíreachtas Rince Chonnacht



November 22nd, 23rd and 24th 2024
Leisureland, Salthill, Galway

Moltóirí

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Ceoltóirí

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Comórtas na gCailíní		
Comórtas Uimhir	Aois	Comórtas
1	Faoí 6	Ril
2	Faoí 6	Port Eadtrom
3	Faoí 7	Craobh Comórtas
4	7 - 8	Craobh Comórtas
5	8 - 9	Craobh Comórtas
-	8 - 9	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
6	9 - 10	Craobh Comórtas
-	9 - 10	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
7	10 - 11	Craobh Comórtas
-	10 - 11	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
8	11 - 12	Craobh Comórtas
-	11 - 12	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
9	12 - 13	Craobh Comórtas
-	12 - 13	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
10	13 - 14	Craobh Comórtas
-	13 - 14	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
11	14 - 15	Craobh Comórtas
-	14 - 15	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
12	15 - 16	Craobh Comórtas
-	15 - 16	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
13	16 - 17	Craobh Comórtas
-	16 - 17	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
14	17 - 18	Craobh Comórtas
15	18 - 19	Craobh Comórtas
16	19 - 20	Craobh Comórtas
17	20 - 22	Craobh Comórtas
18	Os Cionn 22	Craobh Comórtas

Comórtas na mBuachaillí		
Comórtas Uimhir	Aois	Comórtas
19	Faoí 6	Ril
20	Faoí 6	Port Eadtrom
21	Faoí 7	Craobh Comórtas
22	7 - 8	Craobh Comórtas
23	8 - 9	Craobh Comórtas
-	8 - 9	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
24	9 - 10	Craobh Comórtas
-	9 - 10	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
25	10 - 11	Craobh Comórtas
-	10 - 11	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
26	11 - 12	Craobh Comórtas
-	11 - 12	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
27	12 - 13	Craobh Comórtas
-	12 - 13	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
28	13 - 14	Craobh Comórtas
-	13 - 14	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
29	14 - 15	Craobh Comórtas
-	14 - 15	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
30	15 - 16	Craobh Comórtas
-	15 - 16	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
31	16 - 17	Craobh Comórtas
-	16 - 17	Fó-Comórtas (Preliminary)
32	17 - 18	Craobh Comórtas
33	18 - 19	Craobh Comórtas
34	19 - 20	Craobh Comórtas
35	20 - 22	Craobh Comórtas
36	Os Cionn 22	Craobh Comórtas

Memorial Cup Competitions

Memorial Competitions		
Comórtas Uimhir	Aois	Comórtas (Measctha)
37	U-8 Ray McBride	Lá Fhéile Phádraig (St. Patrick's Day)
38	8-10 John McDermott	Lá Fhéile Phádraig (St. Patrick's Day)
39	10-12 Máiréad Ní Fhlatharta	An Lon Dubh (Blackbird)
40	12-14 Dot Redmond	An Greas Giurnála (Job of Journeywork)
41	14-16 Eilís Nic Shim-Uí Dhálaigh	Gairdín na Noiníní (Garden of Daisies)
42	Over 16 Paddy & Maura Lambe	Rí na Síog (King of the Fairies)

N.B.: All dancers must perform the Stephen Comerford version (i.e. basic version) of St. Patrick's Day in the U-8 and 8-10 Memorial Cup.

Céilí & Figure Competitions

Craobh Rince Ceili agus Figure			
43	Craobh Rince Céilí (4-Hand)	Measctha	10 - 12
44	Craobh Rince Céilí (4-Hand)	Measctha	12 - 15
45	Craobh Rince Céilí (4-Hand)	Measctha	Over 15
46	Craobh Rince Céilí	Measctha	Under 10
47	Craobh Rince Céilí	Cailíní	Under 10
48	Craobh Rince Céilí	Measctha	10 - 12
49	Craobh Rince Céilí	Cailíní	10 - 12
50	Craobh Rince Foirne	N/A	Under 12
51	Craobh Rince Céilí	Measctha	12 - 15
52	Craobh Rince Céilí	Cailíní	12 - 15
53	Craobh Rince Foirne	N/A	12 - 15
54	Craobh Rince Céilí	Measctha	Over 15
55	Craobh Rince Céilí	Cailíní	15 to 18
56	Craobh Rince Céilí	Cailíní	Over 18
57	Craobh Rince Foirne	N/A	Over 15
58	Craobh Cumann Céilí	N/A	N/A

Solo Competitions

IMPORTANT - SPECIFIED DANCES ONLY

- Ril/ Port Eadtrom Cailíní/Buachaillí Faoi 6:**
Note: This competition will incorporate a separate easy reel and open reel competition. Grade rules do not apply as this is considered an 'open' competition. 32 bars will be danced in the 'Easy Reel' and 40 bars in 'Advanced/ Hard Reel'. As this is an 'open' competition, wigs/ solo costumes/ leg tan is permitted.
- Craobh Cailíní/Buachaillí Faoi 7**
Dances: Cor, Port Eadtrom & Port Singil
This championship does not qualify dancers to dance at Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne.
** Reel 40 bars, Light Jig 40 bars, Single Jig 40 bars.
- Craobh Cailíní/Buachaillí 7 - 8**
Dances: Cor, Port Éadtrom/Port Trom & Seit Tradisiúnta - Lá Fhéile Phádraig (**Stephen Comerford version only**) This championship does not qualify dancers to dance at Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne.
** Reel 40 bars, Jig 40 Bars, Trad set
- Craobh Cailíní/Buachaillí 8 - 9**
Dances: Cor, Port Trom & Seit Tradisiúnta (any)
This championship does not qualify dancers to dance at Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne.
** Reel 40 bars, Jig 40 Bars, Trad set

**ALL AGE GROUPS FROM U10 UPWARDS WILL DANCE –
48 BARS FOR REEL AND JIG, 40 BARS FOR SLIP JIG AND HORNPIPE**

There may be 100% recall depending on numbers entered

- Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 9 - 10**
Dances: Cornphiopa, Cor & Recall Rince Leithleach (Port – 6/8)

Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 10 - 11
Dances: Port Trom, Port Luasca (C) Cor (B) & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 11 – 12
Dances: Cornphiopa, Cor & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 12 - 13
Dances: Port Trom, Port Luasca (C) Cor (B) & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 13 – 14
Dances: Cornphiopa, Cor & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 14 - 15
Dances: Port Trom, Port Luasca (C) Cor (B) & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 15 – 16

Dances: Cornphiopa, Cor & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Cailíní/ Buachaillí 16 - 17

Dances: Port Trom, Port Luasca (C) Cor (B) & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Mná/ Fir 17 – 18

Dances: Cornphiopa, Cor & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Mná/ Fir 18 - 19

Dances: Port Trom, Port Luasca (C) Cor (B) & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Mná/ Fir 19 – 20

Dances: Cornphiopa, Cor & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Mná 20 – 22

Dances: Port Trom, Port Luasca & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Mná Os Cionn 22

Dances: Port Trom, Port Luasca & Recall Rince Leithleach

Craobh Fir Os Cionn 20

Dances: Cornphiopa, Cor & Recall Rince Leithleach

6. **Preliminary competitions:** results will be taken from the first two rounds in all age groups from 8 – 9 up to 16-17 inclusive. **Teachers MUST tick the appropriate box on the entries to ensure that competitors are registered in the Preliminary competitions.**

Preliminary Grade – Rules/Eligibility:

A dancer who meets the following criteria is eligible to enter the Prelim competition at Oireachtas Chonnacht 2024: -

- Preliminary Championships (8-9 years upwards) are confined to competitors who have not been placed in the top 3 in an Open Championship judged by 3 or more adjudicators.
- Dancers must not have won a Preliminary Championship **more than two times in the current year**, however, if there are 5 or less in a preliminary championship the dancer is still eligible to compete in preliminary championships.
- The dancer must not have qualified for the World's in 2024 or 2023. Dancer must have not recalled in the actual Championship at the All-Ireland's 2024 or 2023.
- Dancers having won 2 Preliminary Championships may not compete in any mean grad competition for the remainder of the year, **however**, if a dancer has won only one preliminary championship they may continue to compete in mean grad (with the exception of the dances they have won the prelim championship with).

7. **Craobh Rince Céilí** – Céilí teams must dance Part A only of any Eight Hand dance from Ár Rince Céilí.
8. **Craobh Rince Céilí (4-Hand Mixed)** – Teams must dance Part A of any four-hand dance from Ár Rinci Ceili 2014. **Boys competing in a 4 Hand Ceili Championship may NOT compete in any 8 Hand Ceili Championship if both teams are going forward to Oireachtas Rince na hEireann and Oireachtas Rince Na Cruinne**
9. **Birth Certificates** - The correct date of birth must be completed on entry. Birth certificates must accompany entries from competitors who have not previously submitted a birth cert. Short form birth certificate will suffice. No photocopies or baptismal certificates will be accepted.
10. **Dancing Costumes** – Please inform your pupils that full costume including socks and shoes must be worn on stage for all presentations. Failure to do so will result in the dancer or team being excluded from presentations.
11. **Teachers** - must produce ID badges to gain free admission to the venue.
12. **Running Order of Dances** - **Under 7, 7 – 8 and 8 – 9's will dance the Reel first.** All other age groups will dance the heavy round first.

Entries

Entries online to FEISENTRY.COM

Entries will be accepted only from teachers registered with An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha. Entries are to be paid in full by **BANK TRANSFER**. NO CHEQUES, POSTAL ORDERS OR CASH will be accepted. No entries will be refunded.

Bank Account Name: A.I.B.

Bank Address: Pearse Street, Ballina, Co. Mayo

Sort Code: 93 7029

Account No. 00221200

IBAN: IE83 AIBK 9370 2900221200 (BIC: AIBKIE2D)

SCHOOL NAME MUST BE STATED AS THE REFERENCE ON BANK TRANSFERS.

Entries open Friday 27th September 2024
Closing Date for receipt of Entries 4th November 2024

ENTRY FEES

Under 6 Reel (easy or open)	€10
Under 6 Light Jig	€10
Under 7 Championship/ Craobh Comórtas	€50
Championship/ Craobh Comórtas (Under 8 upwards)	€60
Craobh Comortas/ Championship (Prelim & Open)	€65
Memorial Cup	€25
Memorial Cup only (i.e., not entered in championship)	€35
Céilí Championship/Craobh Rince Foirne/Figure	€12 euro per dancer
Door Fee (CASH ONLY at door):	€10 or €25 for weekend

The above fees (with the exception of under 6) will include a result sheet for each competitor in Preliminary and Championship results.

FAMILY COMPETITION FEE: 220 euro. Teachers may apply to Comhairle Chonnacht for the family fee, listing all the names of competitors and the competitions they are entering. Only immediate family may be included, i.e., siblings.

Rules of the Oireachtas

1. Comhairle Chonnacht is **NOT** responsible for loss or damage to personal property.
2. Objections, if any, should be made in writing to the Secretary and accompanied by a fee of 30 euro. Objections must be lodged prior to the result and will be dealt with after the Oireachtas. No meetings will take place during the Oireachtas.
3. The Comhairle will, as far as is practicable, provide stage surface suitable for dancing. However, the comhairle cannot accept any liability for injuries sustained while on stage. The lodgement of an entry will be deemed to be an acceptance of this provision by a dancer.
4. Dress code in accordance with An Coimisiún ruling will be observed. Dancers will not be permitted to walk around in their underwear.
5. Health & Safety: In the interests of children's health, hairspray or any form of sprays are not allowed to be used in the hall at any time; before, during or after competitions.
6. Only competitors, Comhairle members and teachers will be allowed side-stage.
7. Photography: As per An Coimisiún rules, "The use of any form of unauthorized photography which has the capability of capturing a dancer's image while in motion is strictly forbidden". Any person found in breach of this rule will be asked to leave the championships.
8. Make Up: as per An Coimisiún ruling, make-up including false eye lashes is not permitted on any dancer under the age of 10 years.
9. Cups & Tiaras: All perpetual trophies/cups/tiaras awarded in 2023 must be returned to Comhairle Chonnacht on the stipulated date in good condition. Solo or Team competitors failing to comply with this rule will be refused the right to compete at this year's Oireachtas until a fine of 200 euro is received by the Comhairle. The holder and his/her parents shall be responsible for any loss or damage to a trophy/cup while in the holder's possession. The holder's teacher shall be responsible for ensuring that the trophy/cup is returned in good time and in good condition.

CLRG MEDIA POLICY

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, commercial film, with or without enhancement, is expressly forbidden.

Comhairle Connacht has appointed an official photographer for **Oireachtas Rince Chonnacht**, who will take photographs and videos of competitors, competitions and presentations. Such photographs and videos may be subsequently used for the marketing and promotional purposes of the organisation including the publication of such photographs on the official website www.clrg.ie, www.connacht.ie and CLRG social media outlets.

Comhairle Connacht may also appoint other agents during the course of the Championships for special promotional projects and reserves the right to permit suitably accredited photo-journalists to take photographs on a case-by-case basis. Should any dancer or dancer's parent or guardian wish to be excluded from any of these photographs, please contact any member of the Oireachtas Committee with relevant details.

PLEASE NOTE: Other than the photographs taken by the official photographer, authorised agents of **Comhairle Connacht** or accredited photo journalists, all photographs captured at the event including images of competitors and presentations may only be taken for **personal use**. They may not be redistributed, sold, lent or passed on to third parties. They may also not be used for commercial purposes or used in any publication or posted to any website without the express written permission of **Comhairle Connacht** and the parents or guardians of all dancers included in any particular picture.

PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT will not be permitted inside the competition rooms with the exception of individuals that have a valid CLRG photo pass. Attendees are not allowed to bring zoom lenses greater than 70mm inside the dance events, and no individuals will be granted access to take photographs on or near the stage during the competitions.

MEDIA APPLICATIONS: Accredited journalists may apply for event access and photo passes by contacting **Comhairle Connacht**. All applicants will be required to complete the necessary paperwork and be compliant with our child protection policy and all rules of **Comhairle Connacht and of CLRG**.

Ignoring or failing to comply with the above may lead to expulsion from the premises.