

*Carson Kennedy Academy of Irish Dance  
Presents*



## *Northern Irish Dance Championships 2015*

*Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February & Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2015*

*Devenish Complex,  
Belfast 33-37 Finaghy Rd North, Belfast, BT10 0JB*

### *Adjudicators*

*Brendan Tiernan ADCRG (Drogheda, Ireland/ Australia)  
Fiona Kidd ADCRG (Birmingham, England)  
Kathleen Clifford Lightley ADCRG (Coventry, England)  
Kevin Armstrong ADCRG (Belfast, Ireland)  
Stella Moore ADCRG (Manchester, England)  
Terry McKevitt ADCRG (Louth, Ireland)*

### *Musicians*

*Liam O'Sullivan (London, England)  
Paul O'Donnell (Belfast, Ireland)  
Stephen Carolan (Drogheda, Ireland)*

## Welcome letter

Teachers, Parents & Dancers,

It gives us great pleasure to invite you to The Northern Irish Dance Championships 2015. The feis will take place on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> Feb- Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2015 at the Devenish Complex. Updates for the feis can be found on our feis Facebook page. Hotel info etc will be posted there.

We have employed 6 fabulous adjudicators and 3 fine musicians to officiate at this year's championship. Like previous years, we will have 3 adjudicators judge round 1 & 2 and 3 separate adjudicators on the set round, This will take place in Championships from Under 10-Senior. All other championships will be adjudicated by a panel of 3. ***There will also be 100% Recall in all Championships.*** Preliminary Championships will be incorporated within the open championships and a separate result will take place based one Round 1 & 2. Preliminary dancers will place in both the Open and the Prelim Result. There will be Sashes and trophies for top 5 as well as a perpetual cup for the winner of both preliminary and open. 2 solo Results will take place in the championship result. We will also be introducing adult competitions for the first time and we look forward to welcoming adult competitors to Belfast.

There will be 3 Champion of Champions (Minor, Junior & Senior) and Top 3 of each open championship are eligible to dance in this.

### **Schools Points Cup**

We also have introduced the Schools Points Cup. This will take place throughout the weekend anyone that places 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in any competition throughout the weekend their school will receive 3 points (1<sup>st</sup>), 2 points (2<sup>nd</sup>) & 1 Points (3<sup>rd</sup>). The school with the most points at the end of the weekend will win this cup. The host school is not eligible to take part in this.

If there are more than 6 boys in each championship we will make it a separate competition. (This will be notified before the event when the entries are in). Grade dancers will be indulged with the fabulous awards like previous years with top 5 in trophy dances and Príomh Comórtas receiving trophies and the winners a sash. Everyone will be placed in the Reel and the trophy Dances. All Grade winners will receive a riser.

We will have championships size stages in both of the halls. There will also be a canteen serving the usual hot and cold goodies. Michelle McKernon TCRG, Belfast will be our tabulator and detailed result packs will be available after the result ***FREE OF CHARGE***. Solo Results will be pre-selected before the event starts and an adjudicator's draw will take place each morning and afternoon.

We have had to put a strict email entry deadline as ***18th February 2015*** in order to keep our championship day running smoothly. We urge all teachers to have their Championship entries emailed to ***carson\_kennedy@icloud.com*** before this date and the dancers can pay on the day. A detailed timetable will be sent to schools with entries one week prior to the Championships starting. Anyone wishing to vendor at the feis or advertise within our program please e-mail ***carson\_kennedy@icloud.com*** for more information. There are limited spots and will come on a first come first served basis. Any other questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to welcoming you the this event,

*Anne Kennedy Armstrong ADCRG*  
*Jacqueline Kennedy Bohill ADCRG*  
*Gerard Carson TCRG*

*Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2015*  
*Provisional Timetable*

HALL A			HALL B		
08:30	Under 10 Championship	Two Rounds	08:30	Under 8 Championship	3 Rounds
	Under 11 Championship	Two Rounds		Under 9 Championship	3 Rounds
				7-9 Ard Grad Slip Jig	
10:00	Under 12 Championship	Two Rounds		7-9 Ard Grad Hornpipe	
	Under 13 Championship	Two Rounds			
			10:00	Under 10 Championship	Set Dance
12:00	Under 8 Championship	Results		Under 11 Championship	Set Dance
	Under 9 Championship	Results		Under 11 Traditional Set Dance	
	Under 10 Championship	Results			
	Under 11 Championship	Results	11:00	Under 12 Championship	Set Dance
	Under 12 Championship	Results		Under 13 Championship	Set Dance
	Under 13 Championship	Results		Under 13 Traditional Set Dance	
	Junior Parade of Champions				
			12:30	Bun Grad Adult	18-25
13:45	Under 16 Céilí Championship			Bun Grad Adult	Over 25
	Over 16 Céilí Championship			Tus Grad Adult	18-25
	Under 13 Céilí Championship			Tus Grad Adult	Over 25
	Céilí Championship Results			Mean Grad Adult	18-25
				Mean Grad Adult	Over 25
14:30	Under 14 Championship	Two Rounds			
	Under 15 Championship	Two Rounds	15:30	Under 14 Championship	Set Dance
				Under 15 Championship	Set Dance
15:45	Under 16 Championship	Two Rounds		Under 15 Traditional Set Dance	
	Under 17 Championship	Two Rounds			
				Under 16 Championship	Set Dance
16:45	Under 19 Championship	Two Rounds		Under 17 Championship	Set Dance
	Over 19 Championship	Two Rounds		Under 17 Traditional Set Dance	
	Under 14 Championship	Results		Under 19 Championship	Set Dance
	Under 15 Championship	Results		Over 19 Championship	Set Dance
	Under 16 Championship	Results		Over 17 Traditional Set Dance	
	Under 17 Championship	Results			
	Under 19 Championship	Results			
	Over 19 Championship	Results			
	Senior Parade of Champions				

- *Separate Boys Competition if more than 6 boys.*
- *Preliminary Championship from Under 10- Under 16.*
- *Top 5 will receive sashes & cups and the winner will receive a perpetual cup.*
- *Under 8/ 9- Heavy Jig, Reel & Traditional Set Dance*
- *Under 10-Over 19- Heavy Jig or Hornpipe, Reel or Slip Jig & Open Set Dance.*
- *Bungrad Adult- Reel, Single Jig, Light Jig, Slip Jig, Heavy Jig, Light Trophy Dance (£3.50 per dance £5.00 Trophy)*
- *Tusgrad Adult- Reel, Single Jig, Light Jig, Slip Jig, Heavy Jig, Light Trophy Dance (£3.50 per dance £5.00 Trophy)*
- *Meangrad Adult- Reel, Light Jig, Slip Jig, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe, Light Trophy Dance (£3.50 per dance £5.00 Trophy)*
- *Adult Céilí- Any Céilí Dance (£3.00 per dancer)*
- *Open Championship £25.00 (2 solo Results & Free Results)*
- *Open & Prelim Championship- £30.00 (2 Solo Results & Free Results)*
- *Traditional Set Dance- £5.00 (Winner will receive trophy & sash)*
- *Ardgrad Solo- £4.00*

*Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2015*  
*Provisional Timetable*

	HALL A			HALL B
	STAGE 1	STAGE 2		STAGE 3
<b>09:00</b>	Bungrad Trophy Reel Under 6	Bungrad Trophy Reel 7-8	09:00	Meangrad Trophy Reel 8-10
	Bungrad Trophy Reel 6-7	Bungrady Trophy Reel 8-9		Meangrad Trophy Reel 10-12
	Bungrad Single Jig Under 7	Bungrad Single Jig 7-9		Meangrad Slip Jig 8-10
	Bungrad Light Jig Under 7	Bungrad Light Jig 7-9		Meangrad Slip Jig 10-12
	Bungrad Slip Jig Under 7	Bungrad Slip Jig 7-9		Meangrad Light Jig 8-10
	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance Under 6	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance 7-8		Meangrad Light Jig 10-12
	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance Under 7	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance 8-9		Meangrad Light Trophy Dance 8-10
	<b>Results</b>	<b>Results</b>		Meangrad Light Trophy Dance 10-12
				Meangrad Heavy Trophy Dance 8-10
<b>10:30</b>	Tusgrad Trophy Reel Under 7	Tusgrad Trophy Reel 7-8		Meangrad Heavy Trophy Dance 10-12
		Tusgrad Trophy Reel 8-9		Meangrad Priomh Comrtas 8-10
	Tusgrad Single Jig Under 7	Tusgrad Single Jig 7-9		Meangrad Priomh Comrtas 10-12
	Tusgrad Light Jig Under 7	Tusgrad Light Jig 7-9		<b>Results</b>
	Tusgrad Slip Jig Under 7	Tusgrad Slip Jig 7-9		
	Tusgrad Light Trophy Dance Under 7	Tusgrad Light Trophy Dance 7-8	10:45	Meangrad Trophy Reel 12-14
	Tusgrad Heavy Trophy Dance Under 7	Tusgrad Light Trophy Dance 8-9		Meangrad Trophy Reel Over 14
		Tusgrad Heavy Trophy Dance 7-9		Meangrad Slip Jig 12-14
	<b>Results</b>	<b>Results</b>		Meangrad Slip Jig Over 14
				Meangrad Light Jig 12-14
<b>12:30</b>	Bungrad Trophy Reel 9-10	Bungrad Trophy Reel 11-12		Meangrad Light Jig Over 14
	Bungrad Trophy Reel 10-11	Bungrad Trophy Reel Over 12		Meangrad Light Trophy Dance 12-14
	Bungrad Single Jig 9-11	Bungrad Single Jig Over 11		Meangrad Light Trophy Dance Over 14
	Bungrad Light Jig 9-11	Bungrad Light Jig Over 11		Meangrad Heavy Trophy Dance 12-14
	Bungrad Slip Jig 9-11	Bungrad Slip Jig Over 11		Meangrad Heavy Trophy Dance Over 14
	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance 9-10	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance 11-12		Meangrad Priomh Comrtas 12-14
	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance 10-11	Bungrad Light Trophy Dance Over 12		Meangrad Priomh Comrtas Over 14
	2,3 &4 hands & Fairy Reel Under 10	2,3 &4 hands & Fairy Reel Over 10		<b>Results</b>
	<b>Results</b>	<b>Results</b>		
			13:00	Meangrad Trophy Reel Under 8
<b>14:30</b>	Tusgrad Trophy Reel 9-10	Tusgrad Trophy Reel 11-12		Meangrad Slip Jig Under 8
	Tusgrad Trophy Reel 10-11	Tusgrad Trophy Reel Over 12		Meangrad Light Jig Under 8
	Tusgrad Single Jig 9-11	Tusgrad Single Jig Over 11		Meangrad Light Trophy Dance Under 8
	Tusgrad Light Jig 9-11	Tusgrad Light Jig Over 11		Meangrad Heavy Trophy Dance Under 8
	Tusgrad Slip Jig 9-11	Tusgrad Slip Jig Over 11		Meangrad Priomh Comrtas Under 8
	Tusgrad Light Trophy Dance 9-10	Tusgrad Light Trophy Dance 11-12		<b>Results</b>
	Tusgrad Light Trophy Dance 10-11	Tusgrad Light Trophy Dance Over 12		
	Tusgrad Heavy Trophy Dance 9-11	Tusgrad Heavy Trophy Dance Over 11	14:30	Under 5 Ungraded Reel
	<b>Results</b>	<b>Results</b>		Under 5 Ungraded Light Jig
				Under 5 Mixed Championship
				Under 6 Mixed Championship
				Under 7 Mixed Championship
				Ard Grad Heavy Jig Under 7
				Ard Grad Slip Jig Under 7
				<b>Results</b>
				<b>Minor Parade of Champions</b>

- **Grade Dance- £3.50 (Winner will receive a riser)**
- **Trophy Dances- £5.00 (Top 5 Receive trophies & Winner a Sash)**
- **Under 5 Championship- £10.00 (Reel, Single or Light Jig)**
- **Under 6/ 7 Championship- £20.00 (Reel, Single Jig & Jig)**
- **Meangrad Priomh Comrtas- £10.00 (One Light Dance & One Heavy Dance) Top 5 Trophies & Sashes.**
- **100 % Placing in trophy dances.**

# Rules

1. Adjudicators' decision is final
2. Age as at 1st January 2015.
3. No Refunds.
4. Objections in writing to committee members accompanied by a fee of £20.00
5. The feis committee will not accept any responsibility for personal injuries or articles lost at the feis.
6. Eligibility for Preliminary Championships: A) Never previously won an Open Championship B) Never Previously won more than three preliminary championships judged by 3 or more adjudicators C) not have qualified for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne 2014/2015
7. 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 phones, standard cameras, video camcorders, cine recorder, commercial film, with or without flash enhancement, is forbidden during competition.
8. Bun Grad & Tus Grad competitions are open to dancers from any region worldwide.
9. In Bun Grad & Tus Grad, make up will not be permitted.
10. In Bun Grad & Tus Grad Dancers in all age groups must wear either Class costumes or 'day clothes'
11. Bun Grad confined to dancers who have never won 1st prize for that particular dance in any age or grade or who have been upgraded. Basic steps only.
12. Tus Grad confined to dancers who have never won 1st prize for that particular dance in any age in Tus Grad, Mean Grad or Ard Grad. Dancers may perform either basic steps or their first hard/difficult version of each dance. Steps in Tus Grad Heavy Jigs and Hornpipe must be similar to those used in St. Patrick's Day and Blackbird.
13. Dancers may only perform a dance in Mean Grad, if they have never won 1st prize for that dance in Mean Grad or Ard Grad in that age or a higher age.
14. No Block, en point, stationery or moving will be allowed for all ages up to and including Under 11.
15. The feis committee reserves the right to a) transfer competitions/results to a different hall, B) alternate competitions if it becomes necessary in order to help the feis run smoothly and C) Relief an adjudicator.
16. All competitors are required to dance a Minimum of 40 bars, except in Slip Jig, Hornpipes & Bun Grad Reel where a Minimum of 32 bars will be required.
17. Re-grading of dancers:
  - a. Less than 30 dancers in competition- 1 dancer moves up to next grade
  - b. 31-50 dancers in competition- 2 dancers move up to next grade
  - c. Over 50 dancers in competition- 3 dancers move up to next grade
18. Dancers must perform the following speeds:
  - a. Bun Grad: Reel 122-124, Light Jig 116, Single Jig and Slip Jig 124, Heavy Jig 96, Hornpipe 144.
  - b. Tus Grad: Reel 116-118, Light Jig 116, Single Jig 124, Slip Jig 120, Heavy Jig 82, and Hornpipe 130.
  - c. Mean/Ard Grad: Reel, Slip Jig & Hornpipe 113, Light Jig, 116, Single Jig 124, Heavy Jig 73
  - d. Traditional Set Dances: Blackbird 144, St. Patrick's Day 94, Job of Journeywork 138, Garden of Daises 138, King of Fairies 130, 3 Sea Captain 96, Jockey 90
19. 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. For the purposes of this rule the term "make up" includes tinted moisturiser and any artificial tanning products.

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## *Northern Irish Champions 2014*

*If all dancers could ensure their perpetual cups are returned in time for the championships.*

### *Open Championships*

Under 5	Charlie Gilmurray, S.R na hEirne
Under 6	Molly Heaney, McConomy
Under 7	Caitlin Murray, S.R Clann McCaul
Under 8	Carmen McAleer, S.R Clann McCaul
Under 9	Shauna Pearse, Nolan Bailey
Under 10	Caoimhe Devlin, S.R McConomy Bradley
Under 11	Alliyah O'Hare, Scanlon
Under 12	Aiesha Coyle, S.R McConomy Bradley
Under 13	Clodagh Davis, Carson Kennedy
Under 14	Lauren Finglas, Carson Kennedy
Under 15	Lauren Clarke, S.R Realta
Under 16	Ciara Loughran, King
Under 16 B	Jordan McCormick, Nolan Bailey
Under 17	Aymae Dolan, Carson Kennedy
Under 17 B	Gavin Shevlin, S.R McConomy Bradley
Under 18	Declan Durning, Boyle
Under 20	Conor Simpson, Simpson
Over 20	Suzzane Coyle, McLaughlin

### *Preliminary Championships*

Under 10	Orlaith Browne McGonigle, S.R McConomy Bradley
Under 11	Alice McConvie, Lorraine Scallon
Under 12	Katie McAleevy, S.R Mona Ni Rodaigh
Under 13	Caoimhe Mooney, Flanagan McMahan Moore
Under 14	Siobhan Doolin, Loughran
Under 15	Hannah Moore, Carson Kennedy
Under 16	Tierna Brenna, Mulvenna Academy

### *Ceili Championships*

Under 13	S.R Mona Ni Rodaigh, Dundalk
Under 16	S.R Mona Ni Rodaigh, Dundalk
Over 16	S.R Mona Ni Rodaigh, Dundalk

### *Champion of Champions*

Minor	Caitlin Murray, S.R Clann McCaul
Junior	Alliyah O'Hare, Scanlon
Senior	Eimear Enright, Taylor