



The
Doherty Academy

Welcomes you to the

40TH

WOLVERHAMPTON FEIS

Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th
November 2015

Cardinal Wiseman School,
Potters Green Road
Coventry
CV2 2AJ

Adjudicators

AISLING HILICK - GALWAY
 ORFHLAITH NI BHRIAIN - LIMERICK
 JACKIE SCANLAN - ENNIS
 MICHAEL STANLEY - NOTTINGHAM
 MARY SWEENEY - GERMANY
 LISA WAITES - LONDON

Musicians

GERRY CONLON – GLASGOW
 STEPHEN CARALAN - DUNDALK



Registered with An Coimisiún Le Rincí Gaelacha

Dear teachers, parents and dancers,

Firstly, we would like to extend a warm welcome to you all and thank you for your continued support over the years. This year is the 40th Anniversary of the Wolverhampton Feis and we hope that you all have an enjoyable weekend.

We shall be returning to Cardinal Wiseman School in Coventry which is conveniently located to the M6 Motorway and Birmingham Airport (20 minutes drive). The School has excellent facilities including a large sports hall, a large assembly hall with stage and an awards hall. A canteen will be available serving hot and cold refreshments over the weekend.

Both Championship and Preliminary competitions shall run over the weekend and all grades are open to dancers from all regions. We will be offering **100% recall in All Open and Preliminary Championships.**

All Championships will be adjudicated by a panel of 3 adjudicators. Top 5 placed competitors in Championship and Prelim will be competing for a splendid array of silver cups, specially commissioned enamel medals, belts and tiaras with sashes/pennants.

This year the marks pack will be included in the Championship/Preliminary fee.

To enable schools to practise ahead of their Oireachtas, we are also pleased to stage Ceili Championships and four hand competitions.

Our vendors for the weekend are John & Rose Clark from Feiswear who will be selling shoes, socks, CD's etc. Melaine Murphy will also be in attendance selling wigs, tiaras and other accessories.

Our official photographer for the weekend are John and Noreen Egan from Feispix.

Looking forward to meeting new and old friends.

Danny Doherty & Marie Connell

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Entry Fees:

Solo	£ 3.00
Solo Trophy Competitions	£ 4.00
Figure (2, 3, 4 Hands)	£ 2.50
Ceili Championships (Per Team)	£20.00
Preliminary Championship	£21.00
Championship U10 upwards	£23.00
Championship U6 & U7	£15.00*
Championship U8 & U9	£19.00*
Family Fee	£60.00

**All Championship
and Preliminary
Prices include the
Marks pack.**

*U6-9 Championships includes 2 tickets for solo rounds which are compulsory to be eligible to dance the Championship. Extra solo tickets can be purchased for £3 each if more than 2 solos wish to be danced.

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Saturday 14th November

	Championship Hall
9am	U10 Prelim
10.15am	U10 Championship
11.45am	U8 Championship
1pm	U9 Championship
2.45	U8 & U10 4 Hand & Ceili
3pm	U11 Championship
5pm	U12 Championship
	U12 4 Hand & Ceili Competition

	Gymnasium		
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
9am	U8 Novice	U8 Primary	U8 Inter/Open
10am	U9 Novice	U9 Primary	U9 Inter/Open
11.30am	U10 Novice	U10 Primary	U10 Intermediate
1.30pm	U8 Figure & U10 Figure (2,3 Hands)		
2pm	U11 Novice	U11 Primary	U11 Intermediate
3.30pm	U12 Novice	U12 Primary	U12 Intermediate
	Followed by U11 & U12 Prelim		

Sunday 15th November

	Championship Hall
9am	U13 Championship
10.30am	U14 Championship
12pm	U15 Championship
1.30pm	U7 Championship alternating with U6 Championship
3pm	Senior Championship
4.15pm	U15 & Senior Ceili & Figures (2,3,4 Hand)
4.30pm	U16 Championship alternating with U17 Championship

	Gymnasium		
	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
9am	U6 Figure (2,3,4,6 or 8 Hand)		
9.30am	U7 Novice	U7 Primary	U7 Inter/Open
11am	U6 Novice	U6 Primary	U6 Inter/Open
1.30pm	Over 12 Primary	U14 Intermediate	Over 14 Intermediate
2pm	U17/Senior Prelim (Alternating)		
2.45pm	U13, U14 & U15 Prelim (Alternating)		

Competitions

Age Groups

Novice	Under 6,7,8,9,10,11,12
Primary	Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and over 12
Intermediate	Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, Over 14

Solo Competitions

Novice	Reel, Slip Jig, Hop Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig & Hornpipe, Traditional Set Dance.
Primary	Reel, Slip Jig, Hop Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig & Hornpipe, Traditional Set Dance.
Intermediate	Reel, Slip Jig, Hop Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig & Hornpipe, Traditional Set Dance.
Open U6&U7	Reel, Slip Jig, Hop Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig & Hornpipe, Traditional Set Dance.
Open U8&U9	Reel, Slip Jig, Hop Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig & Hornpipe, Traditional Set Dance.

Trophy Competitions

Novice	Trophy Light Dance & Trophy Heavy Dance
Primary	Trophy Light Dance & Trophy Heavy Dance
Intermediate	Trophy Light Dance & Trophy Heavy Dance

Figure Dancing

2 Hand, 3 Hand, 4 Hand, 6 Hand, 8 Hand Ceili
Figure Championship – Under 8 Upwards, Teachers own invention – 8 or more dancers in a team
Under 6 – Figure Championship is either 6 Hand or 8 Hand Ceili

Figure Age Groups

Under 8, Under 10, Under 12, Under 15, Senior – as in Qualifying Competitions.

Preliminary Championships

U10 – Senior	Reel or Slip Jig Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Set Dance
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Mixed Championships

AGE	DANCES
U6	Reel & Light Jig.
U7	Reel & Light Jig.
U8	Reel, Heavy Jig Trad. Set
U9	Reel, Heavy Jig Trad. Set
U10	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
U11	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
U12	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
U13	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
U14	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
U15	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
U16	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
U17	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set
Senior	Reel or S/Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe Open Set

All Championships will be run as mixed competitions, however **2 champions (open) will be crowned in each age group with the highest placed boy and the highest placed girl BOTH receiving a cup and crown/belt.**

As well as the final championship result, From U10, also included in the price is a separate solo result for each of the first 2 rounds of the Championship. These results will be taken one from each of the three adjudicators on the panel.

RULES

General

- 1 Age to be taken from 1st January of the current year.
- 2 Adjudicators decision is final.
- 3 Committee members only may approach adjudicators.
- 4 Any protest against breach of rules must be made in writing to the feis organiser within one hour of conclusion of a competition, with a fee of £10.00. Should the objection be upheld the fee will be refunded.
- 5 Entries will only be accepted from schools registered with An Coimisiun.
- 6 Lodgement of entries at a feis implies that you accept the rules relating to the feis in their entirety as laid down by the An Coimisiún le Rinci Gaelacha & Midland Regional Council.
- 7 **Artificial Carriage Aids** : health and safety requires all dancers to be able to raise their arms to shoulder level unhindered-effective March 2014
- 8 Any form of unauthorised photography which has the capability to capture a dancers image whilst in motion, using electronic or manual means e.g. mobile phone, standard camera, video camcorder, cine recorder or commercial film with or without flash enhancement is expressly forbidden in competition
- 9 Make-up (including false eyelashes and tan on face) is not be permitted for any dancer in solo or team competitions, up to and including the under 10 age group. Nor in first two grades up to and including under 12 age group. Leg tan is NOT part of this rule.
- 10 A solo competition cannot be held with only 1 competitor
- 11 **Costume rule** – Novice competitors in all age groups, up to under 12 **must only** wear traditional class costume or long/short blouses/polo tops and skirts/tunics, bodysuits/leotards, which conform to the regular costume length as per An Coimisiun rules. **As from Jan 2015** all forms of dance school identification on SOLO costumes, be it sign, shape, logo, initials or name are banned **Primary competitors in the Midland Region ARE NOW ALLOWED to wear solo costumes**

Grades:

- 12 Novice & Primary Grades are open to ALL areas
- 13 In Novice Grades only basic steps are to be performed i.e. no intricate movements, clicks, rocks, twists, etc.,.
- 14 Competitors must dance in their own age group for solo competitions except where there is no provision for that dance in that age group.
- 15 No competitor may compete twice in the same competition.
- 16 **Novice and Primary grades results** –grade progression will be as follows - This includes all trophy competitions
5 or less competitors – no dancer moves up to the next grade in that dance.
6 – 10 competitors – 1 dancer moves up to the next grade in that dance
11 – 20 competitors – 2 dancers move up to the next grade in that dance
21 and over competitors – 3 dancers move up to the next grade in that dance.
- 17 In a trophy competition a dancer must have performed their choice of dance in the solo competition.
- 18 A **Novice** dancer is one who has not progressed out of novice grade for that particular dance in **any age group**. This includes Trophy Competitions – see rule 16.
- 19 A **Primary** dancer is one who has not progressed out of Primary grade for that particular dance in his/her present age group. This includes Trophy Competitions – see rule 16.
- 20 An **Intermediate** dancer is one who has not won first place for that particular dance in his/her present age group . (**an intermediate dancer will only progress to open grade if there are more than 5 dancers in that particular dance**) This includes Trophy Competitions..

Figure:

- 21 In Figure and Ceili competitions - rules regarding age and re-dancing as laid out by An Coimisiun apply.
- 22 In Ceili 8 Hand competitions any 8 Hand may be performed in accordance with Ar Rince Foinne.
- 23 Figure Championship in the U7's year group may be a 6 hand dance, 8 hand Ceili or Figure Dance of 6 or more

Championships and Premier competitions:

Competitors can only dance in either Preliminary or Open Championship; they may not compete in both. Intermediate competitors can dance their grade dances and either the Preliminary or Open Championship.

PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP RULE -To compete in a Preliminary Championship a competitor cannot have been placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open championship or 1st in a Preliminary Championship in this current year, **providing there were 10 or more competitors**

Championship/Premier Competitions - Only Intermediate and Open dancers are eligible to compete (except under 6 and 7 – see below).

Under 6s & under 7s Championships/Premier must dance Reel & Light Jig. A recall is at the discretion of the feis organisers. All grades are allowed to compete but must have performed these dances on the day of the feis.

Under 8s and Under 9s must dance Reel and Heavy Jig. A recall is at the discretion of the feis organisers. To be eligible to compete, dancers must perform 2 dances in the solo rounds on the day of the feis.

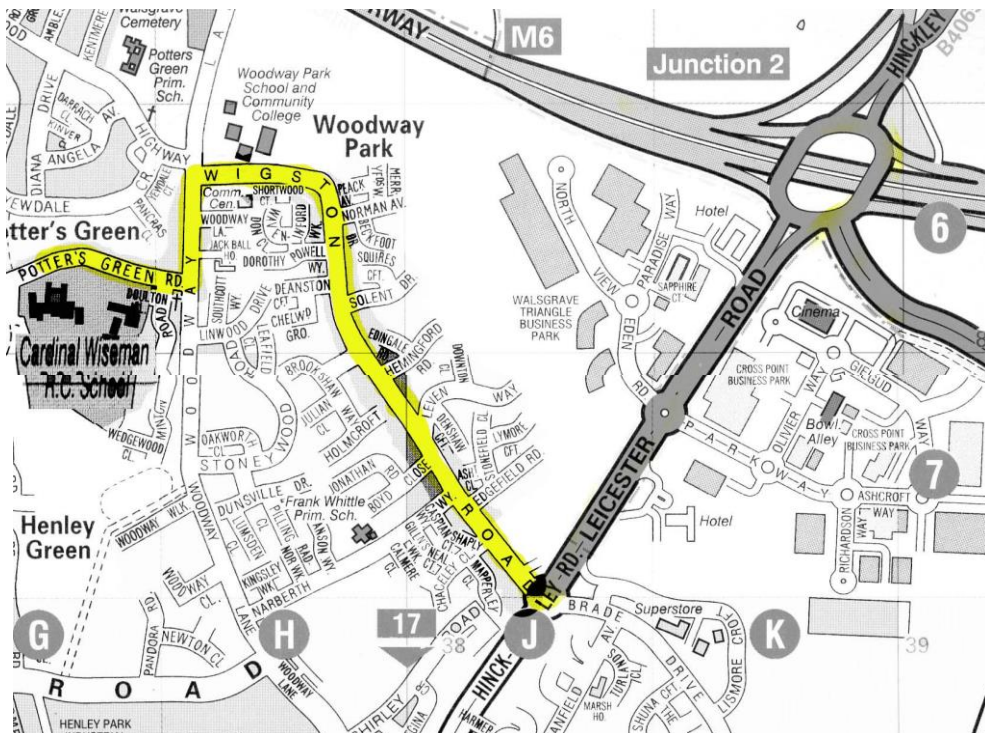
Under 10 and up. All dancers should be given a choice of Reel or Slip Jig and Jig or Hornpipe and recall set dance. Subsidiary solos may be run at the discretion of the feis organisers.

If a minimum number is stated for a championship to be held, then this must be consistent for both mixed and unmixed championships. E.g. if you decide on a minimum number of 5 in order to run a separate boys championship then this must be consistent with the number required to run any championship. This may well be prevalent in the younger age groups where numbers can be low. For example if you have this rule on your syllabus and you only have 4 entries for Under 6 – you should not run the championship. This is in accordance with the sex discrimination act



DIRECTIONS TO CARDINAL WISEMAN SCHOOL

Directions from Junction 2 on M6 Motorway
Take A4600 (LEICESTER ROAD) signed –Hospital A&E
Walsgrave Triangle
At Second Island turn Right (3rd Exit) – into Wigston Road
MacDonald’s Restaurant on corner
At the end of the road, turn left into Woodway Lane
Then take first right into Potters Green Road
Cardinal Wiseman School entrance 500mtr on left



Address

Cardinal Wiseman School,
Potters Green Road
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Travel / Accommodation

Nearest Train Station: Coventry Train station (5 Miles from Venue)

Nearest Airport: Birmingham International (17 Miles from venue)

Take the train from the airport to Coventry Train Station (10 minute Journey)

Hotels

Hilton hotel, Coventry (1.6 Miles)

Premier Inn East, M6 J2, Coventry (1.7 Miles)

Holiday Inn M6 J2, Coventry (1.3 Miles)

Hotel Premier Classe, Coventry (0.9 Miles)

2014 Winners

Championship

	Girls	Boys
U6	Connie Obrien – Manning	Jonjo Boyle - Matthews
U7	Caitlin Dillon - Claddagh	Shay Brunning – Inis Cara
U8	Lola Allen – Carey	Ambrose Deery - Matthews
U9	Ella McCarthy – Ceim Oir	Finn Bradley – Carey
U10	Ella Owens – Ceim Oir	Patrick McGonigle - Carey
U11	Hannah Hunt - Doherty	Michael Deery - Matthews
U12	Ruadh Kinsella – Turley-Duggan	Rian Collins - Doherty
U13	Georgia Smith - Doherty	Ciaran Coyle - Scanlon
U14	Jodi Millar – Haughey McAuley	Sam Goldsmith - Doherty
U15	Ella McCabe – Maguire O’Shea	John Whitehurst - Carey
U16	Nina Rawlings - Doherty & Shakaela	Carroll - Lally
U17	Olivia Ni Baolain – Ward Mallinson	Cianan Bates – Ceim Oir
Senior	Jessica Hindley – Carey	Scott Cordon – Joyce O’donnell

Preliminary

U10	Ruby Ryan – McCarron
U11	Caitlin Callan – Carey
U12	Grace Boden – Inis Cara
U13	Madina Khalifa – Kathleen Hale
U14	Harley Carroll-O’Leary – Carey
U15	Jade Keepin – Turner
U17	Aless Enright – SEM
Senior	Katie Stuart – Carroll Lehane

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