



Stokes Collins

School of Irish Dancing
Presents

The South Tyneside Championships 3rd September 2016

Brinkburn Community Centre,
Harton Lane,
South Shields.
NE34 0PJ

Adjudicators

Frances McGahan	London	ADCRG
Maria McCaul Mohan	Armagh	ADCRG
Brian Corrigan	Louth	ADCRG
Sonia McLaughlin	Manchester	ADCRG

Musicians

Martin Daly - Glasgow
Gerry Conlon - Glasgow

**Beginner & Primary sections are open to dancers from
any region.**

South Tyneside Champions

2015

Championship winners

Under 6 Isabelle Zibe

Kelly Hendry

Under 7 Maria Mannion

Mclaughlin

Under 8 Rose McDowell

Marshall Academy

Under 9 Anya Maguire

McLaughlin

Under 10 Sofia Martin

Kelly Hendry

Under 11 Rebecca Marshall

Marshall Academy

Under 12 Grace Stones

Mason Cummins

Under 13 Caitlin Chapman

Stokes Collins

Under 14 Emily Thornber

Kelly Hendry

Under 15 Megan Boddy

Kelly Hendry

Under 16 Livvi Place

Kelly Hendry

Under 17 Niamh Duffy

Stewart

Under 19 Jessica Dawson

Marshall Academy

Senior Heidi Vanacore

Kelly Hendry

Preliminary Champions

Under 11 Ellis Young

McLaughlin

Under 12 Anna Gillespie

Kelly Hendry

Under 13 Katie Hughes

Sarah Frances Smith

Under 15 Jill Stephen

McElvogue

Over 15 Megan Craven

Kelly Hendry

Please ensure that all cups are returned in advance to the Championships.

Dear Teachers and Parents,

On behalf of the Stokes Collins School of Irish Dancing we look forward to welcoming you to our seventh South Tyneside Championships. We welcome our friends, past and present as well as new faces.

We have great adjudicators and musicians, fantastic awards and a lovely venue. All Open Championships will be judged by a panel of three adjudicators with the top three dancers receiving sashes/pennants.

All children will be placed in the Reel in the grades and all dancers in the Preliminary and Open Championships will be placed in the first two rounds. This ensures that all competitors will go home with at least a medal.

The beginners and primary sections will be open to dancers from any region.

The canteen will be open from 8.30am and will sell a selection of hot and cold food at very reasonable prices.

Our sincere thanks and gratitude to all our sponsors.

We look forward to seeing you all there and hope you will have a successful day. Thank you in advance for your support.

Best Wishes,

*Susan Stokes Meikle TCRG
Maria Collins Chapman TCRG
and*

Rules Governing The Feis

1. Entries to reach Mrs Susan Meikle, 40 Grange Park, West Monkseaton, Whitley Bay, Tyne & Wear NE25 9RU on or before 15th August, 2016. Tel 07960054846. All entries to be signed by a registered teacher.
2. Entries without fees will not be accepted. Cheques made payable to “Stokes Collins S. O. I. D”. – feis account.
3. Age to be taken from 1st January 2016.
4. The adjudicator’s decision is final. The Feis committee reserves the right to substitute an adjudicator if necessary.
5. Beginner and Primary competitions are open to dancers from any region and dancers in these competitions must either be in class costume or skirt/trousers and top.
6. Beginner competitions are open to dancers who have never won a 1st place medal in that particular dance in any age group and must dance basic steps.
7. Primary competitions are open to dancers who have never won a 1st place medal in that particular dance in any age group.
8. Intermediate competitions are open to dancers who have never won a 1st place medal in that particular dance in their present age group.
9. Beginner and Primary Trophy Reel competitions are only open to those who have danced the respective reel competitions at this feis and must not have previously won a Trophy Reel competition in any age group. The Intermediate Trophy Reel competition is open to dancers who have danced in the Intermediate Reel at this feis and must not have previously won a Trophy Reel competition in their present age group.
10. If there are 5 or less competitors in any Beginner, Primary or Intermediate competitions, this will not count for grading purposes (i.e. 1st place dancer will not move out of the grade, provided that they have not won 1st place in that particular dance in that particular grade 3 times).
11. If there are 15 or more competitors in any Beginners competition, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed dancers will move up to the next grade. If there are less than 15, only the 1st place will count.
12. With the exception of Under 6 and Under 7 age group, any dancer who has won an Open Championship must dance in the Open Grade in the calendar year in which this was won. Where no Open yearly age group is available, the dancer would be eligible to dance Intermediate in the next grade up.
13. Any dancer in Under 6 and Under 7 age group who has previously won an Open Championship must dance Open for the dances they performed in the Championship. They may dance their other dances in the appropriate grade.
14. To be eligible to compete in a Preliminary Championship (OPEN TO DANCERS FROM ALL REGIONS), a dancer must not have won an Open Championship in any age group excluding Under 6 and Under 7 Championships. A dancer can win ONE Preliminary Championship in a calendar year (January – December) – the

following year the dancer will be eligible to compete again in a Preliminary Championship. Preliminary Championships will be held in yearly age groups, provided there are more than 5 dancers, otherwise they will be held in double age groups. Preliminary results do not affect grade status.

15. A dancer must complete in solo competitions to be eligible to compete in Under 6, Under 7, Under 8 and Under 9 Championships. For Under 6 & 7 they must compete in the Reel and Single Jig. In Under 8 & Under 9 they must compete in the Reel and the Heavy Jig.
16. Teams may contain up to 75% from a younger age group. Dancers may only dance in one team in the same age group (i.e. one two hand dance etc.). The only exception to this is where a dancer could dance in a mixed and unmixed 8 hand ceili team in the same age group.
17. Competitors must be present when their competition is called, otherwise they may lose their right to dance.
18. All cups are perpetual and must be returned when requested. The recipient is responsible for any loss or damage to cups whilst in their possession. Awards must be returned in adequate time for next year's championships.
19. Any objections to be made in writing and handed to the Feis committee with a fee of £10, within one hour of the competition. If the objection is sustained, the fee will be refunded.
20. No video, digital camera, digital phone camera or flash photography is to be used in the halls during competitions. Mobile phones and electronic games to be switched off in dancing areas.
21. Prizes will be awarded in accordance with An Coimisiun rules.
22. The Feis Committee reserves the right to cancel or amend any competition, subject to the approval of the North East Regional Council. Teachers will be notified of any changes. Prizes will be awarded in accordance with An Coimisiun rules.
23. No smoking is allowed anywhere in the building.
24. Dancers must be suitably dressed at all times. Changing facilities will be provided; therefore there should be no changing in public areas.
25. The Feis Committee will, as far as reasonably practical, provide a surface suitable for dancing. However, the organisers cannot accept any liability for any injuries sustained whilst on stage. The lodgement of an entry will be deemed to be an acceptance of this provision.
26. No hairsprays or aerosols to be used in competition areas.
27. No make up can be worn in Beginner and Primary Grades, up to and including Under 12 age group.
28. Make up (including false eyelashes and tanner on face) is not permitted for dancers in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group.
29. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove them will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed apparatus (proof of which may be required) will be exempt from this ruling.
30. No block or en-pointe steps, stationary or moving, can be performed in Age Groups up to and including Under 11.
31. All North East Teachers must send a copy of their entries to the Records Clerk, Louise Killen, 10, Orpington Road, Cramlington, NE23 2YQ on or before 8th August, 2016. If this is not adhered to, a £20 fine will be imposed by the North East Regional Council.

32. Abusive language and inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated and will result in future entries from said person being refused.
33. No form of communication with an adjudicator other than by an authorized person is permitted.
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Please note:

Door entry: £5
Concessions £2.50

Competitions

Beginners Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13
Primary Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, Over 13
Intermediate Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, Over 15
Open Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, Senior

Dances

Beginners (open to all regions)

Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Trophy Reel, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe

Primary (open to all regions)

Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Trophy Reel, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe

Intermediate (open to all regions)

Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Trophy Reel, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe

Open Under 6, 7, 8 & 9

Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe, Trad Set Dance (Under 9 only)
Championship

Preliminary Championships and Open Championships will be judged by a panel of 3 adjudicators.

Preliminary Championships

Under 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and Over 15

Open Championships

Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19 and Senior

In both Open and Preliminary Championships, results will be given of Light and Heavy Round in addition to final Championship result and all dancers will be placed in the two solo rounds.

Preliminary Championship Dances

First round: choice of Reel/Slip Jig

Second round; Heavy Jig

Third round: Hornpipe

Open Championship Dances

Under 6/7	Reel & Single Jig
Under 8	Reel & Heavy Jig, Recall Traditional Set Dance
Under 9	Reel & Heavy Jig, Recall Traditional Set Dance

Open Championships Under 10 – Senior

Championship to consist of choice of Reel/Slip Jig, a choice of Heavy Jig/Hornpipe and recall Set Dance of own choice.

Figure Dancing

Under 7	2 Hand, 3 Hand
Under 9	2 Hand, 3 Hand
Under 11	2 Hand, 3 Hand
Under 13, 16, Senior	2 Hand, 3 Hand, 4 Hand (Trad), 8 Hand (Trad)

Entry Fees

Solos	£3.50
Trophy Reels	£5.00
Open Championships (up to U9)	£8.00
Preliminary Championships (U10 and over)	£25 (to include 2 solo rounds)
Open Championships (U10 and over)	£25 (to include 2 solo rounds)
Figure dances	£1.00 (per dancer)
Family ceiling	£55.00

If any child is dancing in all of the Intermediate grades from Under 10 and above, he/she can also enter the Championship at a reduced cost of £10.

Anyone dancing in the Preliminary Championship can also dance the Open Championship for an additional £10.

The family ceiling applies where the total amount of entry fees for members of one family exceed £55 – THIS IS FOR GRADES ONLY.

Syllabus approved by: Anne Curran Thomas ADCRG Feis Registrar

Date: 7th June, 2016

