

IRELAND'S NORTHWEST CHAMPIONSHIPS 2021

DATE

Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd October 2021

VENUE

Vale Centre
Clooney Road
Londonderry
BT47 3GE

ADJUDICATORS

Catherine Coleman
Derek Fahy
Gerard Mc Quaid

MUSICIAN

Kevin Conway

PROVISIONAL DATES FOR DANCING

Under 10 - Senior: Saturday 2nd October

Under 5 – Under 9 and Grad: Sunday 3rd October

ENTRIES OPEN

9.00am Friday 3rd September

Welcome Letter

Dear Teachers, Parents and Dancers,

We would like to welcome you to ***Ireland's Northwest Championships 2021!***

This year, please take note of the many changes in place due to Covid 19 & government/venue regulations. Entries will be capped in line with these regulations. They will only be accepted from registered CLRG teachers, via email, on a first come first serve basis.

We are delighted to be able to run this year, in light of current circumstances. **We want you to know, your safety is our number one priority.**

We look forward to your support. Thank you.

Elizabeth and Tara

ENTRY DETAILS

E-mail entries to the following address (registered teachers only) once entries have opened at 9.00am on Friday 3rd September to northwestchampionships@gmail.com

We will then send you payment options (Paypal or Sterling Bank Transfer only) to be made within 24hours of sending your entry.

Entries will only be confirmed upon receipt of payment. There will be no exceptions.

Refunds will only be issued if the event is cancelled.

LIST OF CHAMPIONSHIPS AND REQUIRED DANCES

	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3
Under 5 Championships	Reel	Light Jig	
Under 6 Championships	Reel	Light Jig	Single Jig
Under 7 Championships	Reel	Light Jig	Single Jig
Under 8 Championships	Reel	Heavy Jig	Trad. Set Dance
Under 9 Championships	Reel	Heavy Jig	Trad. Set Dance
Under 10 Championships	Reel	Hornpipe	Set Dance
Under 11 Championships	Slip Jig	Heavy Jig	Set Dance
Under 12 Championships	Reel	Hornpipe	Set Dance
Under 13 Championships	Slip Jig	Heavy Jig	Set Dance
Under 14 Championships	Reel	Hornpipe	Set Dance
Under 15 Championships	Slip Jig	Heavy Jig	Set Dance
Under 16 Championships	Reel	Hornpipe	Set Dance
Under 17 Championships	Slip Jig	Heavy Jig	Set Dance
Under 18 Championships	Reel	Hornpipe	Set Dance
Under 20 Championships	Reel/Slip Jig	Heavy Jig/ Hornpipe	Set Dance
Over 20 Championships	Reel/Slip Jig	Heavy Jig/ Hornpipe	Set Dance

ENTRY FEE INCLUDES:

Under 5: £20 – Solos and overall result

Under 6 - Under 9: £30 – Solos and overall result

Under 10 – Seniors: £35 – Solos and overall result

Prelim Under 8 - Under 16: £40 – Solos, Prelim and overall result

All marks will go online at the end of each day.

Trophies and sashes for 1st – 5th places

Prelim for 1st – 5th places

GRADES

U6-12	Bun	Tus	Mean
Trophy	Reel	Reel	Reel
	Light Jig	Light Jig	Slip Jig
	Heavy Jig	Heavy Jig	Heavy Jig
	Single Jig	Single Jig	Hornpipe
Trophy			Trad. Set Dance

(Hornpipe and Trad Set Dance is from Under 8 - Under 12 in Mean only)

Solos: £4

Trophies: £5

FEIS RULES

Competition Rules:

1. The adjudicator's decision is final
2. Age taken as at 1st January 2021
3. Entries only accepted from teachers registered with An Coimisiun le Rince Gaelacha.
4. No refunds except in the case that the event does not run.
5. In Prelim and Open Championships, up to and including under 10, make-up and tan is not permitted.
6. To be eligible for the Prelim Championship, dancers must never have (a) previously won an open championship judges by 3 or more adjudicators, (b) previously won more than three preliminary championships judged by 3 or more adjudicators and (c) not have qualified for the World Championships in either the current or previous year.
7. No block/en point (stationary or moving) will be allowed for all ages up to and including Under 11.
8. Dances permitted in Traditional Set Dance are: St Patrick's Day, Blackbird, Job of Journey Work, Garden of Daisies, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captains or Jockey to the Fair.
9. Music will be played at the following speeds: **Prelim & Open:** Reel 113, Single Jig 124, Light Jig 116, Slip Jig 113, Heavy Jig 73, Hornpipe 113. **Traditional Set Dances:** Blackbird 144, St. Patrick's Day 94, Job of Journey Work 138, Garden of Daisies 138, King of the Fairies 130, Three Sea Captains 96, Jockey to the Fair 90.
10. Length of costumes must adhere to principles of modesty and enable dancers to safely execute their movements and steps. Adjudicators who determine a costume to be too short or to lack modesty may ask a competitor to change into black tights (of a denier not less than 70 per cent) in order for the dancer to continue in the competition. When wearing body suits with skirts, black tights (of a denier not less than 70 per cent) must be worn from the age of 14 and above (i.e. 14-15 age group).

Other Rules:

11. 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 camera, with or without flash enhancement, is strictly prohibited. Photography is permitted during results.
12. Any parent who would not like their child to appear in photos taken by the feis committee should make the feis organiser aware prior to results being announced.
13. Any objections must be lodged in writing within one hour of result, accompanied by fee of £20.00.
14. The feis committee will not accept any responsibility for personal injuries or articles lost at the feis.
15. The feis committee reserves the right to transfer competitions/results to a different stage or to alternate competitions if it becomes necessary in order to help the feis run smoothly. The committee reserves the right to use a relief adjudicator.
16. The feis committee reserve the right to refuse feis entries or entrance into the feis.

DATA PROTECTION

As a feis organiser and a member of An Coimisiun le Rince Gaelacha (CLRG), we aim to protect all user information in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2018. Please see link for more information:

<http://www.eugdpr.org/eugdpr.org-1.html>

As members of CLRG, we comply with the CLRG GDPR Regulations. Please see link for more information:

<http://www.clrg.ie/index.php/en/about-us/privacy-policy.html>

We are committed to ensuring that your information is secure. In order to prevent unauthorised access or disclosure, we have put in place suitable procedures to safeguard and secure the information we collect. Some personal data is required to be shared in order to gain information about who is taking part in our competition. This information will be given to feis organiser by registered teachers by e-mail. This information may be shared with An Comhairle Uladh, CLRG and members of the feis committee. If you have any concerns with the way your data is being collected, stored or used, please contact taradoherty@hotmail.co.uk.

Waiver of Liability Agreement

In advance of entering the feis we require you to carefully consider the following agreement, as you/your child's entry will be determined on the signing of same.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PANDEMIC

I am aware that the World Health Organisation and other governmental and health authorities have declared Covid-19 a pandemic. I am aware that social distancing is to be practised and that any increased social contact during this pandemic poses an increased risk of transmissions which could cause injury, illness or death.

CONFIRMATION OF HEALTH AND NON-TRAVEL

I confirm that I (or on behalf of the participant) am in good health and have not travelled internationally in the past 14days.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND VOLUNTARY ASSUMPTION OF RISK

I am aware that other persons may attend the feis and may have been exposed to the Covid-19 virus. I am aware of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with attending the feis at this time and I(or on behalf of the participant) freely accept and fully assume all such risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, illness or loss resulting there from. I am aware that I (or on behalf of the participant) may require First Aid, which may require 'hands-on' care and social distancing may not be possible in this instance.

WAIVER OF CLAIMS

I agree to waive any and all claims that I now or in the future may have against the feis organisers, any of them directors, employees, contractors, assigns, and/or successors (the 'releasees') and to release the releases from any and all liability for any injury, illness or loss I may suffer as a result of attendance at the feis due to Covid-19. I agree the feis organisers have carried out a thorough risk assessment prior to the running of the feis and have put in place all measures to negate any risk of the virus being spread and/or contracted during same.

INDEMNIFICATION

I agree to hold harmless and indemnify the releases from any and all liability from any injury, illness or loss to from attendance at the feis as the case may be, due to Covid-19. I confirm that I have read and understood this agreement and I am aware that, by signing this agreement, I am waiving certain legal rights which I may have against the releases.

I CONFIRM THAT I AM VOLUNTARILY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT

Name of Participant (Dancer): _____

Participant Signature (Dancer to sign if over 18): _____

Date Signed: _____

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE AT THE TIME OF FEIS)

This is to certify that I, as a parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child, including the risks of presence and participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protections against Covid-19. Furthermore, my child understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities particularly in relation to Covid-19. I for myself, my spouse and my child do consent and agree to his/her release provided above for all the Releasees and myself, my spouse and my child do release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees for any and all liabilities in relation to Covid-19 relation to my minor child's presence or participation in the feis as provided above post Covid -19.

Name of Participant (Dancer): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date Signed: _____