

The O' Rourke School of Irish dancing presents...

# Féile Áine 2018



*Cláráithe Leis an gComisiún le Rincí Gaelacha*

- Date:** February 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> 2018
- Venue:** South Court Hotel,  
Limerick
- Adjudicators:** Mairín Cunniffe-Daly, A.D.C.R.G., Ireland  
John Carey, A.D.C.R.G., England  
Phyllis Cronin-Ryan, A.D.C.R.G., Ireland  
Michelle Edwards, A.D.C.R.G., Scotland  
Anne Callanan, A.D.C.R.G., Ireland  
Fiona Kidd, A.D.C.R.G., England
- Musicians:** Stephen Walker and Orfhlaith Ní Bhriain

*Featuring:*  
Championship Stage  
Preliminary championships  
Céilí Competitions  
**100% recall in all championships!**

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**Approved by:**  *Comhairle na Mumhan Feis Registrar*

For Munster Specific Feis Rules please click on the following link:

<http://www.munsterdancing.com/index.php?pageID=52>

## ENTRIES

**Craobh Comórtas €30.00**  
(4 results - 3 solo results and one overall result)

**Craobh Comórtas incorporating Preliminary €40.00**  
(5 results - 3 solo results and two overall results)

**Ceili Championships 5 euro per person**

We request that competitors **pre-enter** by sending names and schools only before Friday February 1<sup>ST</sup>  
(fees can be paid on the day)

**Admission: €5 (Adults)**

### **Duaiseanna:**

- There will be a 100% recall in all Championships. All competitors will be placed in the overall championship result
- Sashes/pennants will be awarded to the top five dancers in all C.C
- Where the winner of a C.C is a girl, the highest placed boy will receive a special award. Similarly, where the winner of C.C. is a boy, the highest placed girl will receive a special award
- Trophies for 1<sup>st</sup> place in all solo competitions
- All times are approximate
- Results will be given in a separate hall as required to ensure timetable runs accordingly

# Scoil Uí Ruairc Welcomes You to Féile Áine 2018!

Dear teachers and parents,

We look forward to welcoming you to Féile Áine 2018. It will take place in the South Court Hotel, Limerick on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> of February. As last year we will have a full size championship stage, and 100% recall in all championships! Our syllabus also includes céilí championships. Due to a changing feis calendar, we are unable to host grade competitions this year as there is another Munster grade feis on the same weekend. We look forward to resuming our normal format next year.

Please contact the South Court Hotel on 00353 (0)61 487 428 for the room rates. Shannon airport is the nearest airport. The South Court Hotel is approximately 30 minutes drive from Shannon airport.

Pre-entry for championships (names and schools, fees can be paid on day) is requested by February 1st.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for past support and look forward to welcoming you all to Limerick for what we hope will be a lovely weekend of dancing.

Máirín Uí Ruairc

*Principal*

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Scoil Uí Ruairc

## SATURDAY EVENING

### Craobh Comórtaisí - Championship Stage – all times approximate

5.15pm	15.16	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance
	16--18	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance
	Over 18	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance
	U16	Ceili Championship
	O16	Ceili Championship

## SUNDAY

### Craobh Comórtaisí - Championship Stage – all times approximate

Time	Age	Dances
9am	Faoi 7	Reel, Single Jig, Seit Traidisiúnta - all competitors will dance three rounds
	7-8	Reel, Light Jig/Heavy Jig, Seit Traidisiúnta – all competitors will dance three rounds.
	8-9	Reel, Heavy Jig, Trad set - all competitors will dance three rounds

- U8 and 8-9 Championships will alternate. Dances will be danced in order listed.

Time	Age	Dances
11.00am	9-10	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel, Traditional Set or Open Set Dance
	10-11	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance
	U10	Solo hornpipe step about
2.30pm	11-12	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance
	12-13	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance
	U13	8 Hand Championship
4.45pm	13-14	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance
	14-15	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe, Reel/Slip Jig, Set Dance

- There will be a step about hornpipe under ten following the 9-10 championship.
- All C.C. will alternate
- Heavy round will be danced first in all C.C. U10 and older.

## Rialacha Na Féile (effective as of Jan 1st 2014)

- Makeup will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades up to and including the under 12 age group.
- In Bun and Tús grad competitions, dancers are permitted to wear either class costumes or day wear e.g. skirts and tops (Munster Specific rule)
- The use of artificial carriage aids is strictly forbidden except in cases of a medical condition where a doctor's certificate may be requested. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove same, will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed apparatus (proof of which may be required) will be exempt from this ruling.
- Under no circumstances should dancers walk around any dancing venue in their underwear. Neither should dancers (regardless of age) change into or out of costume in the main dancing hall, if at all possible. At all times, dancers should be properly attired.
- In Reel competitions under 5 years, dancers must perform Easy Reel material only. (Munster specific rule).
- Should a dancer fall on stage, the adjudicator MUST ring the bell to stop the performance of the dancer(s). The dancer(s) so affected will be permitted to re-dance at the discretion of the adjudication panel, or by a majority of adjudicators, where there is a judging panel. Should, in the opinion of the stage steward, having obtained medical advice if necessary, a dancer be unfit to re-dance and if such dancer insists on his/her right to do so then the dancer concerned may be permitted to re-dance on
- completion of a declaration form exonerating the committee of liability for any consequences.
- Should a dancer lose a heel or a complete shoe he/she may stand back allowing the other dancer, where applicable, to continue dancing uninhibited. In such a case, the dancer concerned will be permitted to redance as soon as it is deemed practicable by the stage steward.
- No blocks en pointe, stationary or moving, is allowed for all ages up to and including under 12 age group, with exceptions of 11 to 12 age group who may perform who may perform this work as, and from, 1st September.
- All Graded competitions are open to all regions.
- Port competitions must have both a light and heavy result where both jig types have been performed.

### **Grading up rule** (Effective January 1st 2009)

For those competitions where grading up occurs:

Less than or equal to 20 (1 dancer grades up);

21 – 39 inclusive (2 dancers grade up);

Greater than or equal to 40 (3 dancers grade up)

Bun Ghrád:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confined to competitors who have never previously won first place for the dance specified for that competition in any other registered competition in any other grade or under any age limit</li> <li>• Dancers must perform basic material only.</li> </ul>
Tús Ghrád:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confined to competitors who have never previously won first place for the dance specified for that competition in any other registered competition in any other grade or under any age limit other than in Bun Grad</li> <li>• Dancers must perform their first advanced material. This should exclude clicks, twists, swivels, cross keys, rocks etc.</li> </ul>
LÁR/Primary Ghrád (Munster specific criteria):
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confined to competitors who have never previously graded out of a competition for the dance specified for that competition in any other registered competition in any other grade or under any age limit other than Bun or Tús or Primary Grade.</li> <li>• Dancers can perform the same level of material acceptable in Méan or Ard Ghrád competition.</li> <li>• Solo costumes can be worn by dancers in this grade</li> <li>• Once a dancer wins a dance in Primary grade, they are no longer eligible to enter that dance in that grade again</li> </ul>
Mean Ghrád:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Confined to competitors who have never previously won first place under the upper age-limit specified for the competition (or under a higher age-limit) outside of Bun grad and Tús grád.</li> <li>• A registered competition for the dance specified for the competition</li> <li>• The same level of material can be performed for Mean grad as Ard Grád.</li> <li>• A competition in which there are five competitors or less shall not count for grading purposes i.e. the winner of such a competition shall be entitled to dance again in a competition for the same dance in the same age group and grade. (1994).</li> </ul>
Ard Ghrád:
<p>Open to any dancer who:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• is a pupil of a registered teacher</li> <li>• is qualified to compete as regards age and place of residence</li> <li>• is not suspended from competitions under any rule or by a decision of An Coimisiún or a Regional Authority.</li> <li>• is entered with the permission of his teacher.</li> <li>• A competition in which there are five competitors or less shall not count for grading purposes i.e. the winner of such a competition shall be entitled to dance again in a competition for the same dance in the same age group at mean grad. (2007)</li> <li>• Where a dancer has won first prize and thereafter fails to win a prize for that particular dance, the teacher of that dancer may, when a period of two years has elapsed, apply to the regional council to have the dancer re-graded as a mean grad dancer.</li> </ul>
Craobh Comórtas (Championship):
<p>A competition may be entitled a "Championship" only when it is an Ard Grad competition and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is judged by at least 3 Adjudicators.</li> <li>• Competitions, in the case of a step dancing competition are required to perform at least two dances, one of which must be a "heavy dance and the other a light dance.</li> </ul>
Priomh Comórtas ( Premier Championship):

The title "Priomh Comórtas" or Premier Championship may be ascribed to a competition in any grade judged by one adjudicator, where the following conditions apply:

- Two dances to be performed by each competitor.
- In a Priomh Comórtas with an upper age of 8 years or less the compulsory dances must consist of either :
  - Those stipulated for the older age groups and set out above or
  - Two light dances (Munster Specific).
  - When a dancer wins First place in a Priomh Comórtas competition, they are deemed to have won both dances in that competition, even if they are not awarded first place when individual round results are awarded.

#### Preliminary Championship Ruling (Effective from 1st January 2014)

- A dancer is not eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship if they have been placed First in an Open Championship from 1st January 2014 and the following year. A Preliminary Championship must consist of a panel of three Adjudicators or more and must have a light dance - a heavy dance and a set dance. A recall is optional for the set dance.
- Dancers may compete in an Open or Preliminary Championship at a Feis .
- Once a dancer qualifies for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne, they must not enter a Preliminary Championship They may not compete in Preliminary Championships in the year that they qualified or the following calendar year.

#### Exceptions:

- Dancers who qualify for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne where there are five dancers or less in their Regional Oireachtas are exempt from this ruling. They may remain in the Preliminary Championships if they so wish.
- If a dancer wins two Preliminary Championships from the 1st January, they are no longer eligible to enter a Preliminary Championships for the remainder of that year and will be eligible to compete in Preliminary Championships the following year.
- If a dancer wins a Preliminary Championship where there are five dancers or less in the competition, the dancer will still be eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship.

#### **Feis procedures**

- The Feis Committee reserves the right to refuse Admission / Entry to the Feis.
- Any objections, other than those related to adjudicator's decisions, must be lodged in writing to the Feis Committee. There will be a fee of EUR 20 associated with such an objection. If the feis committee cannot resolve the issue satisfactorily, the objection will be forwarded to Comhairle na Mumhan.
- 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, cine recorder, commercial film, with or without flash enhancement, is expressly forbidden in competition. (Jan 2005), except in Bun & Tús Grád competitions.
- The use of taped music (e.g. iPad, iPod, Tape Recorder) is permitted for Subsidiary Ceili competitions.

#### **Feis admin**

- Entries will only be accepted from teachers currently registered with An Comisiun.
- Age is reckoned from January 1<sup>st</sup>.
- The Adjudicators decision is final.
- The committee, as far as is practicable, will provide a stage surface suitable for dancing. However, the committee cannot accept any liability whatsoever for injuries sustained while on stage. The lodgement of any entry will be deemed to be an acceptance of this provision by a dancer and by his/her parent/guardian/teacher.

## Entry form – Féile Áine 2018

Name	Competition	Fee
Total		

Name of dancing school: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of dancing teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Option to prepay**

Please make all cheques payable to Planxty O Rourke and return with entries to:

Orfhlaith Ní Bhriain  
 17 Sheelin Road  
 Caherdavin  
 Limerick  
 Ireland

Please pre-register your open dancers to facilitate the smooth running of the Feis. They can pay on the day.