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# The Coppemara Championships

### 22nd & 23rd September 2018

### Westwood Hotel, Upper Newcastle, City Centre, Galway

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Saturday September 22nd: Girls Championships - U14, U15, U16, U18 & O18; Prelim (U14-U16)

Boys Championships - 13-15 Boys, 15-17 Boys & 017 Men

Sunday September 23rd: Girls Championships – U5, U6, U7, U8, U9, U10, U11, U12, U13 & Prelim (U9-13);

Boys Championships – U7, U9, U11, U13

Admission: €5

Dear Teachers, Parents and Dancers

We are delighted to welcome you all to the 4th Connemara Championships which is being held in the heart of Galway.

The feis will take place on the 22nd & 23rd of September at the Westwood Hotel. This is an outstanding venue with excellent facilities allowing us to run a large championship stage to accommodate all our championship competitions. There will be a prelim for all competitions from U9 to U16.

<u>For any championship with 15 or less competitors, there will be 100% recall</u>. For more than 15 dancers, it will be 50% recall or full recall – time permitting.

To ensure the smooth running of the feis, we will have a separate results area if needed. <u>Competitions will start</u> at 2pm on Saturday and 9am on Sunday.

- Perpetual Cup for Championship Winners
- Trophy and Sash for top 5 in Championships and top 3 in Prelim
- Medal for every dancer in all reel competitions

The venue also has ample changing facilities and free parking.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the Westwood Hotel in September and our sincerest thank s in advance for your support.

Kind Regards,

Bernie & Ellen-Marie Curley

# The Connemara Championships 2018 Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September

Ard Grad - All Competitions scheduled for the same time will alternate

**2PM** 13-15 Boys, U14 Girls, U15 Girls

4.30pm 15-17 Boys & Over 17 Mens

U16 Girls, 16-18 Ladies, O18 Ladies,

Reel/Slip Jig, Hornpipe/Heavy Jig, Any set dance

## Sunday, 23rd September

All championships scheduled for the same time will alternate

9am sharp 9-11 Boys, U10 Girls, U11 Girls

(Hornpipe or Heavy Jig/Reel or Slip Jig/Open Set on Recall)

12pm U5 mixed, Under 6 Girls(Reel & Light or Single Jig)

5-7 Boys, U7 Girls, (Reel, Single Jig & Jig)

<u>1pm</u> 7-9 Boys, U8 girls & U9 Girls,

(Reel, Heavy Jig, Trad Set)

\*\*Under 8 - Separate hornpipe step down the line\*\*

<u>3pm</u> 11-13 Boys, U12 Girls, U13 Girls

(Hornpipe or Heavy Jig/Reel or Slip Jig/Open Set on Recall)

\*\*HEAVY ROUND will be danced first for every age group excluding U8 & U9 championships whereby the LIGHT ROUND will be first\*\*

### Fees:

- Craobh Comortas €25
- **Prelim** €30

\*FAMILY FEE: Please email berniecurley01@gmail.com prior to the 16<sup>th</sup> September to request a family fee listing all dancers, grades & ages. There will be no family fee on the day.

### **Feis Rules**

- Entries will only be accepted from teachers registered with An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha.
- Age will be reckoned from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018.
- No block, en-pointe work, stationary or moving, is allowed to be performed in all ages up to and including Under 12.
- For heavy rounds in competitions, dancers may not wear soft shoes that have been altered with the addition of heels and tips in an attempt to turn them into hard shoes. Dancers found to be wearing such altered shoes for heavy rounds may be denied access to that round of the competition.
- Preliminary championships eligibility:
  - A dancer must not have placed top five in any open championship judged by three or more adjudicators.
  - A dancer must not have won a preliminary championships more than two times in the current year.
  - A dancer must not have qualified for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne 2017 or 2018 (with the exception of boys who are eligible if they qualified but did not place in the top 3 at their Oireachtas and otherwise fulfil the requirements of Preliminary).
  - A dancer must not have recalled in the actual championship at the All Ireland Championships in 2017 or 2018.
  - ➤ If the dancer has not succeeded in placing in the top 5 but has won 2 preliminary championships in the current year they are eligible to dance preliminary again the following year.
- The use of camcorders is not permitted during dancing.
- The feis committee will not accept any responsibility for personal injuries or damage to property or the premises.
- Objections, accepted from registered teachers only, must be lodged within one hour of the announcement of the competition result and accompanied by a €20 fee.

Vendor: Buckles & Bling

Hotels: Westwood Hotel 091 521442

Airport: Knock & Shannon Airport (Both one hour distance)

Check out our facebook page **The Connemara Championships** for updates!!

### **Directions to the Feis**

→ The Westwood Hotel, Upper Newcastle, Galway City Centre, Galway H91 YTW8

### **→** Distance By Road:

- Dublin Galway (218kms) 2hrs 50mins
- Limerick Galway (104kms) 1hr 30mins
- Cork Galway (204kms) 3hrs
- Sligo Galway (140kms) 2hrs
- Shannon Galway (86kms) 1hr 15mins
- Belfast Galway (308kms) 4 hrs 30mins
- Knock Galway (72kms) 1hr

### **→** Closest Airports:

- Shannon Airport: 89km / 55 miles (1 hour 20 mins) www.shannonairport.com
- Knock Airport: 90.2km / 56miles (1 Hour 18 mins) www.knockairport.com
- **Dublin Airport:** 220km / 141 (2 hours 40 mins) www.dublinairport.com

### → By Train & Bus - Ceannt Station & Galway Coach Station:

- Bus 00 353 (0)91 562000 www.buseireann.ie
- City Link 00353 (0) 91 564163 www.citylink.ie
- GoBus 00353 (0)91 564600 www.gobus.ie
- Train 00 353 (0)91 561444 www.irishrail.ie