



**The Melbourne Festival**  
**Registered with AIDA Inc and An Coimisiún Le Rincí Gaelacha**  
**Registration Number: 5330/21**

**Saturday 24th July 2021 11 Years & Under**

**Sunday 25th July 2021 12 Years & Over**

**Venue:** Ukrainian House Community Centre, 3 -11 Russell St. Essendon

**Adjudicators:** Fiona-Gaye Moore ADCRG, NSW, Monica Poulton ADCRG, Vic.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Adjudicator TBC

**Music:** AIDA speeds

**Ages:** as at 1 January 2021

**Entries to:** Mary Kilmurray TMRF: marykil2@hotmail.com

**Cc: Treasurer, Kirrienne Coughlan TCRG** [treasurer@aidavic.com](mailto:treasurer@aidavic.com)

**Entries close:** 8:00pm Friday June 11th 2021

**Entry Fee:** Open Championships - \$45.00

Pre Bun, Bun, Tus, Mean 1, Adult Premiership - \$25

**Dancers may enter 2 Premierships or 1 Championship and 1 Premiership.**

**Ceili - \$5 per dancer per team**

**A family discount of 30% will apply to families with three (3) or more dancers - for solo only.**

**Hall Charge:** \$15.00 per family to be included with entries

**Program:** \$2.00 on the day

### **CEILI**

<b>Under 8</b>	Walls of Limerick (64 Bars) Eight Hand
<b>Under 10</b>	Four Hand Reel (Second Figure) Eight Hand
<b>Under 12</b>	Humours of Bandon (Second Figure) Eight Hand
<b>Under 15</b>	Four Hand Reel (First Figure) Eight Hand
<b>Under 18</b>	Humours of Bandon (First Figure) Eight Hand
<b>Open Age</b>	Four Hand Reel (First Figure ) Eight Hand

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**Team only dancers must be registered by June 4th**

**PREMIERSHIPS**

**Please indicate the dances that will be performed on entry form.**

**No changes will be permitted.**

NOTE: Where the Reel is chosen, this must be danced as the first round.

*Ages will be divided once entries have been received*

**Pre Bun Premiership**

**Choice any 2 Bun Grad Light Dances  
( 32 bars only )  
Same dance can be repeated**

**BUN PREMIERSHIP**

**Choice any 2 BUN GRAD Light Dances**

**TUS PREMIERSHIP**

**Choice any TUS GRAD Light Dance  
& any Light or Heavy TUS GRAD Dance**

**MEAN1 PREMIERSHIP**

**Choice Reel or Slip Jig  
& Choice Jig, Hornpipe or Traditional Set**

**\*\*ADULT BUN PREMIERSHIP**

**Choice any 2 BUN GRAD Light Dances**

**\*\*ADULT TUS PREMIERSHIP**

**Choice any TUS GRAD Light Dance  
& any Light or Heavy TUS GRAD Dance**

**\*\*Adult Premierships are only open to dancers who began learning Irish Dancing as an adult.**

**New registrations must be completed by June 4<sup>th</sup> otherwise entries will not be accepted**

## **Open Championships**

**Please indicate the dances to be performed on entry form.  
No changes will be permitted.**

*\* Where insufficient entries are received (less than 5) for the 5 & 6 years Girls and Boys Solo Championship sections, age groups will be combined.*

<b>*5 Years and Under</b>	<b>Reel, Treble Jig, Traditional Set Dance</b>
<b>*6 Years Girls</b>	<b>Reel, Treble Jig, Traditional Set Dance</b>
<b>*6 Years Boys</b>	<b>Reel, Treble Jig, Traditional Set Dance</b>
<b>7 years Girls</b>	<b>Reel, Treble Jig, Traditional Set Dance</b>
<b>8 years Girls</b>	<b>Reel, Treble Jig, Traditional Set Dance</b>
<b>7 &amp; 8 years Boys</b>	<b>Reel, Treble Jig, Traditional Set Dance</b>
<b>9 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>10 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>9 &amp;10 years Boys</b>	<b>Reel, Choice Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>11 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>12 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>11 &amp; 12 years Boys</b>	<b>Reel, Choice Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>13 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>14 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>13 &amp;14 years Boys</b>	<b>Reel, Choice Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>15 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>16 years Girls</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>17 years Ladies</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>18 years Ladies</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>19 years Ladies</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>20-21years Ladies</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>22 years &amp; over Ladies</b>	<b>Choice Light Dance, Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>
<b>15 years &amp; over Boys</b>	<b>Reel, Choice Heavy Dance &amp; Set Dance</b>

1. All Dancer Registrations must be completed and confirmed with the Pupil Registrar, with a competitor number allocated to the dancer, **at least one week** before the entries close and are submitted to the Entries Co-Ordinator, Mary Kilmurray TMRF.  
(NOTE: Pupil registration commences from 1<sup>st</sup> April each year through to 31<sup>st</sup> March the following year)
2. Please ensure the registration number and ages on the entry form are correct.
3. Sections will be divided into age groups on receipt of entries. Solo sections with less than 3 entries may be cancelled and the entrants will have the option of competing in another section or receiving a refund of entry fee.
4. A dancer may only compete in NOVICE if they are competing in that particular dance for the first time in a Feis (other than a class Feis). Dancers may dance in Bun Grad as well. **NOTE: Dancers who danced Novice at the 2020 Easter Feis may compete in Novice in 2021 under the conditions of this rule.**
5. Photography is only permitted in the **designated supervised area** during the Feis for **Novice and Bun Grades only**. Teachers must inform AIDA at time of submitting entries if any dancer in these two grades is not to be photographed.
6. All dancers enter at their own risk.
7. Late entries will be accepted up to 48 hours after the closing date. A late fee of \$10.00 per entry (to a maximum of \$100-00 per school), will apply and should be paid upon lodgment of entries.
8. The Adjudicator's decision is final; no correspondence will be entered into.
9. All AIDA Rules apply (see below).

## **AIDA VIC FEIS RULES**

It is a condition of entry into AIDA Vic competitions that the following rules are observed:

1. No food or drink is to be consumed in the main area of the hall, UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED
2. Smoking is not permitted within any part of the premises.
3. No hairspray or aerosol sprays are to be used in the main area of the hall or foyer.
4. Competitors must be pupils of registered teachers with An Coimisiún Le Rincí Gaelacha. Dancers who are resident in Australia are required to be registered with AIDA Inc. for the current year.
5. Dancers who are residents in Victoria will be required to fulfil the requirements as set down by AIDA Victoria Inc. and proof of age must also have been ascertained.
6. Entries must be submitted by registered teachers on the official entry form and fees paid by the due date. If an entry is not received by the closing date but is received within 48hrs of the closing date (or by 8.00pm Monday where entries close on Friday), then a Late Fee of \$10.00 per competitor will be imposed, with a maximum of \$100.00 per school per Feis.
7. There must be a minimum of three (3) competitors on receipt of entries to make up an event. Entry fees will be refunded if insufficient numbers are received.
8. All competitors must be ready to commence their section at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time. The Feis organizing committee reserve the right to commence sections up to 30 minutes prior to the advertised start time.
9. It is the competitors' responsibility to be in the marshalling area when called, otherwise they will miss their section.
10. The Association reserves the right to amend the order of dances at any time.
11. Competitors will be required to dance to music supplied by the Association.
12. Teachers may be required to supply their own music for set dances.
13. If there is a problem with the music, either manual or recorded, the dancer will be permitted to re-dance.
14. If a dancer loses a heel or complete shoe, he/she may stand back allowing the other dancer to continue dancing uninhibited. Such a dancer will then be allowed to re-dance.
15. If a dancer falls the adjudicator must ring the bell. The dancer will be permitted to re-dance at the adjudicator's discretion.
16. Should a dancer bump or slip, they may be allowed to re-dance at the adjudicator's discretion.
17. The ZERO POINTS RULE, as per Rule 8, Page 5 and Rule 11, Page 3 of Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne 2021 syllabus, will only apply to Qualifying events in Victoria.
18. Lead Round - Heavy Dances. In all heavy dances, i.e. Jig and Hornpipe, for competitions for Tus, Mean and Ard Grads, the Lead Round must be danced on both right and left foot.
19. In graded sections, competitors are required to perform the correct standard of work as set out in the AIDA Inc. Competition Rules and Regulations. Competitors will be disqualified by adjudicators if incorrect standard of work is performed.
20. No block, over toe, en point movement, stationary or moving is allowed to be

performed in any age group up to and including the 11 years.

21. Make-Up and Fake Tanning will not be permitted for any dancers in Novice, Bun or Tus for 11 years and under.
22. Facial make up is not permitted for any dancer under the age of 10 years.
23. Dancers competing in Novice and/or Bun Grad may only wear a Team Costume. Girls may wear a skirt and top with no sleeveless tops permitted. Solo costumes and wigs are not permitted in Novice or Bun. Boys may wear their team costume, shorts/trousers/kilt and shirt.
24. Change Costume length: 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 percent) in order for the dancer to continue in the competition.
25. When wearing body suits with skirts (commonly known as black-out attire) black tights (of a denier not less than 70) must be worn from the age of 14 and above.
26. Necklines must be at collarbone level or above. This does not preclude the use of alternative fabrics, e.g., lace, as an inset. Costumes must consist of full front, side and back sections. Cut-away styles, without a full skirt backing, are not acceptable.
27. In order to protect dancers from hazardous objects on stage while competing, costumes may not be decorated with feathers.
28. Appropriate underwear must be worn. Where tights are worn, they must be of a denier not less than 70.
29. The use of artificial arm/carriage aids is not permitted. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids, and subsequently refuses to remove same, will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition.
30. To receive prizes or awards, competitors must be in full dancing costume including shoes.
31. Dancers are reminded to wear appropriate dress at all times whilst at the Feis (especially in the Hall/Auditorium area). Tracksuit pants/shorts & tops must be worn whilst practicing, warming up, or not in costume. The wearing of only leotards/bloomers when not in costume is not considered suitable attire.
32. All dancers must change in the dressing rooms.
33. Any form of unauthorized photography which has the capability to capture a dancer's image whilst in motion, using electronic or manual means e.g. mobile phones, standards cameras, video camcorder, commercial film with or without flash enhancements is expressly forbidden (unless prior permission has been given by the Feis organizers). Photography of presentations is permitted.  
\*For dancers in the Novice and Bun sections, refer to the PHOTOGRAPHY CONDITIONS FOR NOVICE AND BUN DANCERS, as listed below.
34. Competitors enter at their own risk regarding injury. AIDA Victoria Inc. will not accept any liability for injuries sustained. Lodgment of an entry will be deemed to be an acceptance of this provision by a dancer.
35. Lodgment of an entry shall be taken to signify that the Teacher, Parents and Pupils concerned accept these rules in full and agree to strictly abide by them.
36. Parents are responsible for their children's behaviour both within and outside the hall.

AIDA members reserve the right to ask any person contravening these rules to leave the venue.

## **PHOTOGRAPHY CONDITIONS FOR NOVICE AND BUN DANCERS**

Following recent changes made to the photography rules set down by An Coimisiún Le Rincí Gaelacha, Ireland, families will now be given the opportunity to film their children dancing in **NOVICE AND BUN SECTIONS ONLY** under the guidelines set out below.

- **Who** - Only persons known to the Dancer may be photographers. There may only be one photographer per dancer per dance. Photography of any other Dancer is NOT Permitted.
- **What** - Video and still Photo images only. NO FLASH Photography permitted. If the same Dancer who competes in Novice/Bun also competes in a higher Grade, photography is not allowed in the higher-Grade event under any circumstances.
- **Where** - Photographers will only be permitted to take photographic images from a designated area/s assigned by the Feis Organizers. Prize presentation photography is permitted and is not limited to the designated photography area.
- **When**- Only during the time of the actual performance of the particular Dancer on stage. Any other photography at the Feis, e.g., outside the Feis venue or during warm up, is by the express permission of the Dancers and /or their guardians only.

# AIDA Vic. Inc

## COVID-19 Policies and Restrictions for Feiseanna

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*All policies are subject to change in line with current State Government directives*

*AIDA Vic. is committed to providing a safe environment for all dancers and their families that is compliant with State Government regulations*

- All attendees will be required to sign using the QR Code or provide their name and phone number, and the name of the dancer they are accompanying, before entering the venue.
- Anyone who is unwell should not attend. Any person with cold or flu symptoms, fever, runny nose etc., may have their temperature checked and be refused entry
- Dancers are requested to arrive with hair and makeup done, wherever possible
- Posters detailing correct hand hygiene, cough etiquette and social distancing requirements will be displayed throughout the venue (DHHS)
- Hand sanitiser will be supplied and should be used on entry to the venue
- Social distancing will be enforced in line with Government restrictions
- The number of attendees per session will be restricted in line with government restrictions. 300 patrons per session, therefore family limits not required
- Each session will be danced and completed, and awards presented. Dancers and parents will then be asked to leave the venue, so that the next group can be admitted
- Attendees will be requested to wipe down their chairs and surrounding area with the disinfectant wipes which will be supplied
- Use of separate entry & exit points will be strictly adhered to
- Flooring will be cleaned, and all high touch surfaces will be disinfected between sessions
- A Health and Safety (COVID-safe) Officer will be appointed to ensure all policies are implemented
- There will be no canteen facilities provided. You are permitted to bring your own food. Please take extra care when around dancers in costume
- Should you have any concerns on the day, please advise the appointed COVID-safe Officer.