

2021 Hertfordshire Championships



Dear Teachers,

The 7th Hertfordshire Championships will be held on 5th & 6th June 2021.

We are all aware that current lockdown restrictions may be lifted in June 2021 and to enable the smooth running of the Feis we are not providing grade competitions for this year's event. Instead we will be running championships from Under 6 to Senior and Preliminary Championships from Under 10 to Over 16.

All Championships will be danced in the Main Hall with results presented in the Gym. A separate document will be available for COVID19 precautions for all attendees.

All Championships from Under 6 and all Preliminary Championships from Under 10 will have two solo results.

Vendors at the Feis will be: Chris Skehill with Feiswear, Melaine Murphy and Vicky Anderson Dresses.

Results will be provided by Des Silke from Instep Feis Management.

There will be hot and cold refreshments available from our canteen and hopefully weather permitting we will have the BBQ available as well. To minimise cash handling we will have the facility to accept card payments.

Please note the closing date for entries is the Friday 21st May 2021 and all entries are to be sent to Des Silke, 133 Hatfeild Mead, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5PG, NO CHEQUES - ALL PAYEMNTS BY BANK TRANSFER.

PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR THIS YEAR ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PREPAID AND **NO ENTRIES WILL BE TAKEN ON THE DAY OF THE FEIS.**

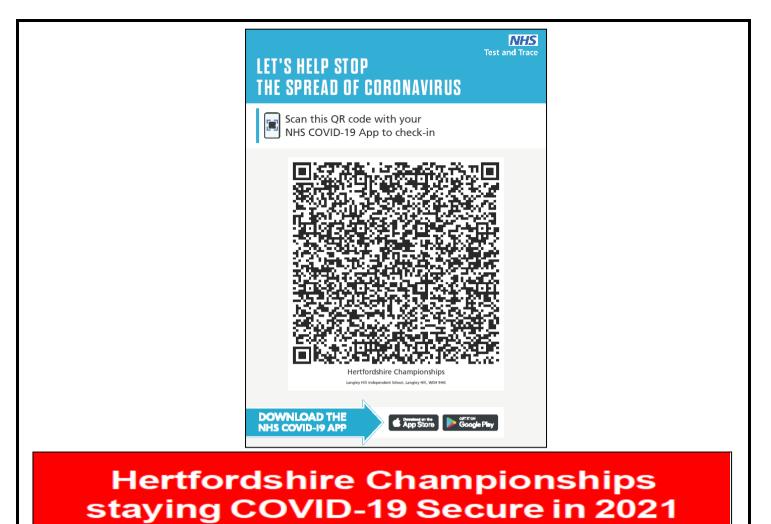
Looking forward to welcoming you all to Hertfordshire in June.

Mark & Martina Skehill

ACCOMMODATION:

Holiday Inn Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4UA Holiday Inn Express - Hemel Hempstead, HP3 9 RH Premier Inn - King's Langley, WD4 8BR Premier Inn - Hemel Hempstead, HP1 1BT

Covid19 safety Rules and information for the Hertfordshire Championships 2021				
As per Rule 1 in the syllabus you agree to the following:				
COVID19 Symptoms	IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SYMPTOMS STAY HOME, GET A COVID19 TEST AND DO NOT ATTEND THE HERTFORDSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIPS.(A high temperature - a new, continuous cough - a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste.			
Test & Trace	In order to support the NHS Test and Trace programme, we will be taking contact details (name, telephone number and school name) for all attendees that do not have the NHS COVID19 APP . Download the NHS COVID-19 app today.			
Venue cleaning	We have hired a professional cleaning company to sanitise the halls between each session.			
Entries	All entries must be prepaid (NO ENTRIES ON THE DAY WILL BE ACCEPTED). The entry pack for the Hertfordshire Championships is available for download from: https://www.instepfm.com.			
Prams & Buggies	LIMITED SPACE IS AVAILABLE FOR PRAMS OR BUGGIES SO PLEASE EMAIL THE FEIS ORGANISER IF YOU ARE ATTENDING SO THAT THEY CAN SAVE YOU A SPACE. EMAIL: mark.skehill@btinternet.com			
Parents / Guardians	Parents and guardians will be responsible for all matters concerning the wellbeing of their child whilst attending the Hertfordshire Championships. PLEASE REMEMBER ONE ADULT ONE CHILD UNLESS ONE ADULT HAS MORE THAN ONE CHILD DANCING.			
Dancers	Dancers must obey all instructions issued by the Feis Organiser as how to access and exit the dancing area. All dancers are requested to be fully dressed and ready to perform on entering the venue. Any mishaps on stage (falls, sickness etc) will be dealt with by the stage hands and the parent/guardian of the child.			
Teachers	Depending on entries there may be limited space for Teachers - Parents and Competitors will take priority over Teachers to ensure hall maximums are adhered to.PLEASE REMEMBER THAT ALLOCATION OF SPACE IS BY SESSION AS PER THE TIMETABLE.			
Disabled Access	Disabled access is available in both hall and designated parking spaces are available as well.			
Social Distancing	PLEASE FOLLOW THE ONE WAY SYSTEM WITHIN THE VENUE (Map on next page) Current guidance says that "where possible, you should maintain 2m between people". The guidance should change to state that 2m or 1m with risk mitigation (where 2m is not viable) are acceptable, and that businesses should set out the mitigations that they will introduce in their risk assessment.			
Face Covering information	 Face coverings to be worn at all times, unless you are exempt, by any person over the age of 11. Face Coverings may be removed when eating and drinking. All Dancers will not be required to wear face coverings when called side stage for their championship or whilst performing on stage. Any dancer over the age of 11 when returning to their seat in the theatre must wear their face covering. 			
Hand Washing	Wash your hands with soap and water or use hand sanitiser regularly throughout the day. The Feis Organiser will provide several sanitise stations throughout the venue.			
Canteen	The Feis Organiser will have a card reader to minimise the need for cash payments.			
Toilets	Guidence provided by the venue on numbers entering the toilet facilities will be prominently displayed. NO MAKE-UP, APPLYING OF TAN OR CHANGING IN THE TOILETS WILL BE ALLOWED.			
Award Ceremonys	Medaals, Trophies and Cups will all be sanitised before hand and competitors will be asked to take their own awards and remain socially distanced. A separate Awards Team will be in place to minimise any possible infection controll issues.			



Celtic Hearts Irish Dance confirm they have complied with the government's guidance on managing the risk of COVID19.

We have carried out a COVID-19 risk assessment and shared the results with the people we work with.
 We will continue to update everyone in line with the current government guidance that may change as lockdown restrictions are constantly being revised.

We have employed a professional cleaning company for the event.

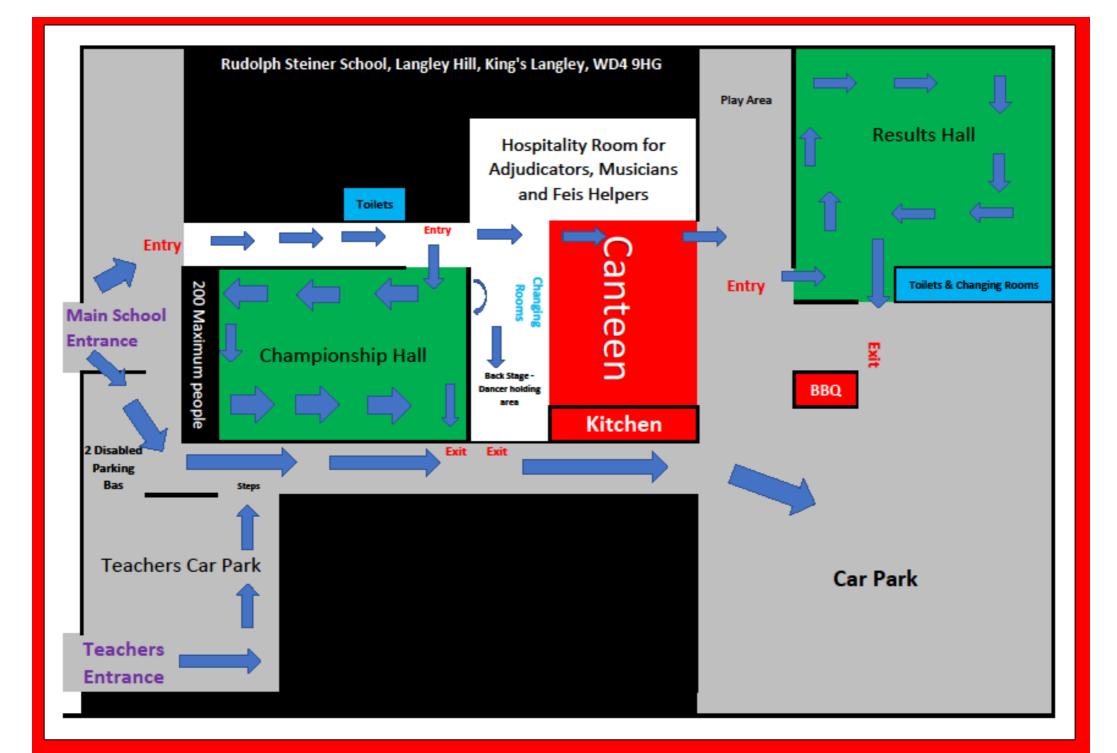
We have taken all reasonable steps to ensure that the Venue will be sanitised prior to and during the event.

We have taken all reasonable steps to maintain a 1m - 2m distance in the Venue and will have a one-way system in operation throughout the venue.

Where people cannot be 1m - 2m apart, we will do everything practical to manage the infection and transmission risk.

Employer_Mark Økehill Date: 4th May 2021

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Mi	xed U6 & U7 & Girls OPEN Cha	mpionships from Und	er 8			
U6 Mixed	Reel (40)	Light or Heavy Jig (40)				
6 & U7 Mixed	Reel (40)	Light or Heavy Jig (40)				
7 & Under 8	Heavy Jig (40)	Reel (40)	Trad Set			
8 & Under 9	Heavy Jig (40)	Reel (40)	Trad Set			
9 & Under 10	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Trad or Open Se			
10 & Under 11	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
11 & Under 12	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
12 & Under 13	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
13 & Under 14	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
14 & Under 15	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
15 & Under 16	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
16 & Under 17	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
17 & Under 19	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
Senior Over 19	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
	Boys OPEN Championsh	ips from Under 9				
Under 9	Heavy Jig (40)	Reel (40)	Trad Set			
9 & Under 11	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40)	Trad or Open Set			
11 & Under 13	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40)	Open Set Dance			
13 & Under 15	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40)	Open Set Dance			
15 & Under 17	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40)	Open Set Dance			
17 & Under 19	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40)	Open Set Dance			
Over 19	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40)	Open Set Dance			
	Mixed Preliminary Champio	nships from Under 10				
Under 10	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Trad or Open Se			
10 & Under 11	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
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Over 16	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance			
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UNDER	6 & UNDER 7 Championships (prid		£30.00			
Open &	Preliminary CHAMPIONSHIPS (prie	ce includes the door fee)	£40.00			
If entering bot	£75.00					
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Entries to: Des Silke, 133 Hatfeild Mead, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5PG QUOTE NAME AND SCHOOL WITH ALL BANK TRANSFERS - NO CHEQUES Bank Details: Celtic Hearts Irish Dance Sort Code: 20-91-79 A/C NO: 93352765						
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HERTFORDSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES 2021

- Lodgement of entries implies that you acknowledge and accept all of the Rules of An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha, COVID RULES, current Government Guidelines and the Southern England Regional Council plus the additional rules listed below, relating to the Hertfordshire Championships 2 Entries will only be accepted from Schools registered with An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and entry forms must be signed by the registered teacher. Entries with no fee will not be processed or acknowledged. No New entries will be taken on day. Ages to be taken from 1st January 2021. 5 All competitors may be required to produce their birth certificate / passport as proof of age. 6 Competitors must dance in their own age group for solo competitions except where there is no competition in their age group for that particular dance. Dancers cannot compete in a younger age group. All decisions of the Adjudicators are FINAL. 8 Only the committee members may approach the Adjudicators during competitions.
- ⁹ COMPETITORS MAY ENTER BOTH PRELIMINARY AND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS.
- **10** In all Heavy dances the lead around must be danced on both the right and left foot.
- 11 A panel of 3 adjudicators will judge all Open Championships & Mixed Preliminary Championships.
- ¹² An Coimisiun has ruled that from 1st January of each year, that **no block**, **en pointe**, stationary or moving be allowed to be performed for all ages up to and including the under 12 age group Worldwide. <u>The Under 12 Age Group will be allowed to Toe Walk from 1st</u> September.
- ¹³ The Feis Organiser must provide non-slip flooring for every dance surface, however the Feis Organiser cannot accept any liability for injury sustained whilst dancing.
- 14 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.
- 15 In order to comply with the health and safety measures, all dancers lining up side stage prior to any round of a competition will be required to perform the simple exercise of raising arms to shoulder level unhindered. If unable to do this due to costume stitching or any arm attachments by the time of their rotation they will not be permitted to perform.
- 16 Make-up Rule (4.5 in CLRG Rule Book) 4.5.2 Make-up (including false eyelashes) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group (POINT OF CLARIFICATION) For the purpose of this rule the term "Make-up" includes tinted moisturiser and any artificial tanning products. An Coimisiun hopes that teachers and parents will interpret and apply this rule in the spirit in which it is intended.
- ¹⁷ Dancers must be properly attired throughout the whole competition and must be in full costume and appropriate footwear when receiving awards. No changing allowed in competition areas.
- ¹⁸ 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 all competitions.
- 19 Photographs taken at awards ceremonies are permitted, however these must be for your own use and not used for public display purposes, unless permission has been obtained.
- ²⁰ Any competition can be moved to another hall at the discretion of the Feis Secretary.
- 21 All Championship cups are perpetual and recipients will be responsible for any loss or damage and for the safe return in adequate time to be presented to subsequent winners.
- **Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children**, at all times, whilst attending the Feis.
- 23 The Feis Organiser accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to personal property.
- 24 No Smoking, eating or drinking in any of the halls, except in designated areas.
- ²⁵ Objections against any breach of the above rules must be made in writing, and signed, to the Feis Secretary and accompanied by a fee of £25.00, which will be refunded if the objection is upheld. If parents have any constructive comments to make about any aspect of Feiseanna, these would be welcomed by the council and should be put in writing. It should be noted that anonymous correspondence cannot be dealt with
- ²⁶ The Feis Organiser has the right to refuse admission to the feis venue at their own discretion.

SATURDAY 5th	SUNDAY 6th		
JUNE 2021	JUNE 2021	PROVISIO	NAL DAYS
8:00 AM	8:00 AM	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
SESSION ONE	SESSION ONE		
9:00 AM	10:00 AM	U6 MIXED	U14 G & PRELIM
SESSION TWO	SESSION TWO	U7 MIXED	U15 G, B & PRELIM
11:30 AM	1:00 PM	U8 MIXED	U16 G & PRELIM
SESSION THREE	SESSION THREE	U9 G & B	U17 G & B
2:00 PM	3:00 PM	U10 G & PRELIM	U19 L & M
SESSION FOUR	SESSION FOUR	U11 G, B & PRELIM	O19 L & M
4:30 PM	5:30 PM	U12 G & PRELIM	O16 PRELIM
SESSION FIVE	SESSION FIVE	U13 G, B & PRELIM	
6:30 PM			
SESSION SIX			
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Numbers in each hall will be as follows: 75 competitors - 75 parents/guardians - 15 Feis helpers - 5 Cleaners & 30 Teachers ENTRY WILL BE CAPPED PER SESSION AND THERE WILL BE NO NEW ENTRIES PERMITTED ON THE DAY OF THE FEIS.

ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE CLOSING DATE OF FRIDAY 21st MAY 2021 ALONG WITH FULL PAYMENT BY BANK TRANSFER.

Preliminary Championships in England, Scotland and Wales

Effective 1st January 2021

- A minimum number of three Adjudicators must officiate.
- The first age group for a Preliminary Championship is Under 10.
- Where a Preliminary Championship is held separate from an Open Championship, three rounds should be offered, namely; Reel or Slip Jig, Heavy Jig or Hornpipe and any Set Dance.
- Where a Preliminary Championship is combined with an Open Championship, then the result should be taken from eligible dancers' ranking after the first two rounds.
- Where there are separate Preliminary and Open Championships, dancers can compete in both at the discretion of the Feis organiser.
- Where a competitor wins two Preliminary Championships they must dance in Open Championship for a period of 12 months thereafter.
- For grading purposes, two wins will be taken as being in any two year rolling period. Where a dancer does not win a second Preliminary within two years of winning their first Preliminary Championship, then the first win will be deemed as having expired and the dancer starts afresh.
- Where there are less than 6 in a Preliminary Championship that win will not normally be considered for grading purposes. However, where a dancer wins three Preliminary Championships regardless of the number of competitors in each competition, that dancer must dance in Open Championship for a period of 12 months thereafter.
- Dances performed in a Preliminary Championships do not count for grading in solo competitions.

 All Dancers * who are included on the official confirmed list of qualifiers for Oireachtas Rince Na Cruinne 2021 are not eligible to compete in Preliminary Championships until further notice. * This excludes dancers that auto qualified at their Regional or National Oireachtas due to lack of numbers. (Rule updated 18th April 2021).

Dancers placing 1st-3rd in an Open Championship with up to 20 competitors or 1st-5th in an Open Championship with more than 20 Competitors cannot compete in a Preliminary Championship for a period of 24 months. (Rule updated 18th April 2021).

Awards - Medals & Trophies

2 medals/trophies = 5 or less - 4 medals = 6 to 10 competitors 7 medals = 11 to 20 competitors - 10 medals = 21 to 30 competitors 14 medals = 31 to 40 competitors

1 medal for each additional 5 or part of 5 competitors

2019) WINNE	RS - 6th Hertfordshire (Championship Winners
Mixed	U5	MILIA BROWN	NADINE MARTIN ACADEMY
Mixed	U6	SAOIRSE REILLY	NADINE MARTIN ACADEMY
Mixed	U7	HOLLIE TAYLOR	INIS CARA
Girls	U8	AOIBHEANN HEFFERON	MAGUIRE O'SHEA ACADEMY
Girls	U9	ORLA WORMALD	NADINE MARTIN ACADEMY
Girls	U10	AVA ROSE FOLAN	MCGAHAN-LEES ACADEMY
Girls	U11	SIENNA SKEHILL	CELTICE HEARTS IRISH DANCE
Girls	U12	LAURA CAROLEO	CELTICE HEARTS IRISH DANCE
Girls	U13	MOLLY MCGRORY	TURLEY-DUGGAN ACADEMY
Girls	U14	SCARLETT SKEHILL	CELTICE HEARTS IRISH DANCE
Girls	U15	LEXI-LEIGH HUTCHINSON	KIDD SCHOOL
Girls	U16	LILY McDONNELL	THE IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
Girls	U17	NO ENTRIES	
Girls	U19	ERIN COOKE	O'CONNOR & HENNIGAN IDA
Ladies	019	LAURA THOMPSON	SEAN EIREANN & CELTIC HEARTS
Boys	9	GEORGE GALLAGHER-FRANCIS	TANYA DIRRANE SCHOOL
Boys	11	CIARAN MITCHELL	CAREY ACADEMY
Boys	13	JOHN O'CONNOR	CLADDAGH ACADEMY
Boys	15	CALLUM MCALEER	SCANLON SCHOOL
Boys	17	NO ENTRIES	
Men	017	TOMMY BATESON	MURCHU-DUIGINN SCHOOL
Prelim	9	SOPHIE LEANNING	FINBARR CONWAY ACADEMY
Prelim	10	ANNA BUNDA	SKEHILL ACADEMY
Prelim	11	OLIVIA OMAR	BROOKS ACADEMY
Prelim	12	ARCHIE COUGHLAN	MURCHU-DUIGINN SCHOOL
Prelim	13	LILIA AMES	MAGUIRE O'SHEA ACADEMY
Prelim	14	NICOLE MADANAYAKE	MURCHU-DUIGINN SCHOOL
Prelim	15	BRYONY WYATT	KIDD SCHOOL
Prelim	16	ALISHA CAIRNS	REEL EIRE
Prelim	016	GRACE CARLETON	REEL EIRE