

Martina & Mark Skehill

Present the 8th

Hertfordshire Championships

Sunday 12th June 2022

King Langley Secondary School, Love Lane, WD4 9HN



ADJUDICATORS

Aisling Hillick

Julie Marshall

Bernadine Cresham

Justine Ward-Mallinson

Eileen McLaughlin

Kathleen McLaughlin

Fiona Morley

Sharon McCaul

Julie Loughlin

Tanya Dirrane

MUSICIANS

Aidan O'Neill - Dean Crouch - Majella Collins Brooks - Anthony Davis

Cláráithe leis An Choimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha

CLOSING DATE : 25th MAY 2022 - ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PREPAID BY BANK TRANSFER -
DUE TO THE FEIS BEING RUN ON ONE DAY IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO ENTER ON THE DAY, PLEASE
ENTER EARLY TO AVOID ANY DISSAPOINTMENT

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2022 Hertfordshire Championships



Dear Teachers,

The 8th Hertfordshire Championships will be held Sunday 12th June 2022.

Kings Langley Secondary School is a *new venue* for this year's event. We will utilise Two championship stages in the sports hall with a recall hall and a Grades Hall. A Mixed Preliminary result (Under 10 to Under 16) will be produced after two rounds of the championship. A separate Preliminary Championship is available for the Over 16 with a Light, Heavy & Set Round.

Preliminary Championships will be adjudicated by a panel of 3 Adjudicators. All Open Boys, Men, Girls & Ladies Championships from Under 8 will have two solo results and will be adjudicated by a panel of 6 (3 for Rounds 1 & 2 and 3 for the Set Dance Round). This year we will be holding a "Tiny Tots" competition for competitors who are not yet ready to perform their Reel in the Grades competition.

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

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

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

Please note the closing date for entries is the Wednesday 25th May 2022 and all entries are to be posted to Des Silke, 133 Hatfeild Mead, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5PG, or emailed to des@instepfm.com or desilke648@icloud.com.

NO CHEQUES - ALL PAYEMNTS BY BANK TRANSFER.

*PLEASE NOTE THAT FOR THIS YEAR ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PREPAID AND
ENTRIES ON THE DAY OF THE FEIS WILL BE AT THE FEIS ORGANISERS DISCRETION.*

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

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Mixed Premier

U6 Mixed	Reel (32)	Light or Heavy Jig (32)	
6 & U7 Mixed	Reel (32)	Light or Heavy Jig (32)	

Girls OPEN Championships

7 & Under 8	Heavy Jig (40)	Trad Set	Reel (40)
8 & Under 9	Heavy Jig (40)	Trad Set	Reel (40)

Girls & OPEN Championships with a Mixed Preliminary Result after two rounds

9 & Under 10	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Trad or Open Set
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

Girls & Ladies OPEN Championships

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 Championships from Under 9

Under 9	Heavy Jig (40)	Trad Set	Reel (40)
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 Championship

Over 16	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
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Entry Fees

TINY TOTS - GRADE COMPETITIONS & CEILI CHAMPIONSHIPS	£5.00
DOOR FEE PER ADULT - PAYABLE ON ENTRY TO THE FEIS (Children Free)	£5.00
UNDER 6 & UNDER 7 Premier	£25.00
Open & Preliminary CHAMPIONSHIPS	£35.00
Family Fee for 3 or more siblings	£80.00

Entries to: Des Silke, 133 Hatfeild Mead, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5PG
Email your entry pack to: des@instepfm.com or desilke648@icloud.com

CLOSING DATE IS WEDNESDAY 25th MAY 2022

8th HERTFORDSHIRE CHAMPIONSHIPS - GRADES

NOVICE (Bún Grád) ⇓⇓⇓⇓	COR	PORT LUASCA	PORT SINGIL	PORT EADTROM	PORT TROM	CORNPHIOPA	PLEASE NOTE NEW SPEEDS FOR NOVICE GRADE DANCES	
	TROPHY REEL	TROPHY SLIP JIG	TROPHY SINGLE JIG	TROPHY LIGHT JIG	TROPHY HEAVY JIG	TROPHY HORNPIPE		
TINY TOTS								16 BARS OF A REEL
Under 6	122-124	124	124	116				4
6 & Under 7	122-124	124	124	116				4
7 & Under 8	122-124	124	124	116	96	144		6
8 & Under 9	122-124	124	124	116	96	144		6
9 & Under 10	122-124	124	124	116	96	144		6
10 & Under 11	122-124	124	124	116	96	144		6
11 & Under 12	122-124	124	124	116	96	144		6
PRIMARY (Tús Grád) ⇓⇓⇓⇓	COR	PORT LUASCA	PORT SINGIL	PORT EADTROM	PORT TROM	CORNPHIOPA	PLEASE NOTE NEW SPEEDS FOR PRIMARY GRADE DANCES	
	TROPHY REEL	TROPHY SLIP JIG	TROPHY SINGLE JIG	TROPHY LIGHT JIG	TROPHY HEAVY JIG	TROPHY HORNPIPE		
Under 6	116-118	120	124	116				4
6 & Under 7	116-118	120	124	116				4
7 & Under 8	116-118	120	124	116	76	118		6
8 & Under 9	116-118	120	124	116	76	118		6
9 & Under 10	116-118	120	124	116	76	118		6
10 & Under 11	116-118	120	124	116	76	118		6
11 & Under 12	116-118	120	124	116	76	118		6
12 & Under 14	116-118	120	124	116	76	118		6
14 & Under 16	116-118	120	124	116	76	118	6	
INTERMEDIATE (Mean Grád) ⇓⇓⇓⇓	COR	PORT LUASCA	PORT SINGIL	PORT EADTROM	PORT TROM	CORNPHIOPA		
	TROPHY REEL	TROPHY SLIP JIG	TROPHY SINGLE JIG	TROPHY LIGHT JIG	TROPHY HEAVY JIG	TROPHY HORNPIPE		
Under 6	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
6 & Under 7	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
7 & Under 8	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
8 & Under 9	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
9 & Under 10	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
10 & Under 11	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
11 & Under 12	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
12 & Under 14	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
14 & Under 16	113	113	124	116	73	113	6	
Over 16	113	113	124	116	73	113	6	
OPEN (Ard Grád) ⇓⇓⇓⇓	COR	PORT LUASCA	PORT SINGIL	PORT EADTROM	PORT TROM	CORNPHIOPA		
	TROPHY REEL	TROPHY SLIP JIG	TROPHY SINGLE JIG	TROPHY LIGHT JIG	TROPHY HEAVY JIG	TROPHY HORNPIPE		
Under 6	113	113	124	116	73	113		6
6 & Under 7	113	113	124	116	73	113	6	
Under 11 & Under 13			13 & Under 16			Over 16	160	
Ceili Championship U/11 & U/13			Ceili Championship			Ceili Championship		

Standard Rules for SER Feiseanna – 2022

- 1 Lodgement of entries implies that you acknowledge and accept all of the Rules of An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and the Southern England Regional Council plus the additional rules listed below, relating to the Feis.
- 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.
- 3 New entries may be taken on the day of the Feis in line with **SERC** late entry rule.
- 4 Ages to be taken from **1st January 2022**.
- 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.
- 7 All decisions of the Adjudicators are **FINAL**.
- 8 Only the committee members may approach the Adjudicators during competitions.
- 9 **ALL** Grade Competitions are OPEN to all Regions.
- 10 Competitors may only dance each dance in one grade.
- 11 Where there are five or less competitors in a competition, results will not affect their grading.
- 12 In all Heavy dances the lead around must be danced on both the right and left foot.
- 13 A Novice is a dancer who has not gained a **1st, 2nd or 3rd place** in a Novice Grade competition or any medal in a higher grade for that particular dance.
- 14 The basic step rule will apply to all Novice competitions as per the Southern England Regional Council.
- 15 The Primary Grade is for dancers who have not won a **1st or 2nd place** for that particular dance in any Age Group.
- 16 All Novice and Primary dancers may only wear a class costume, simple dancewear or appropriate attire (skirt & top or simple dress for girls and trousers, shorts and t-shirt or shirt for boys) in competitions up to and including the Under 12 Age Group. Make-up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades up to and including the Under 12 age group Worldwide. Failure to comply with this rule may lead to disqualification.
- 17 The Intermediate Grade is for dancers who have not won a **1st place** for that particular dance in a particular Age Group, or who has not won a Premier competition, Preliminary Championships or Open Championship.
- 18 Intermediate competitors can dance their grade dances and either the Preliminary or Open Championship.
- 19 A panel of 6 adjudicators will judge all Open Championships from Under 8 and a panel of 3 adjudicators will judge all Mixed Preliminary Championships from Under 10. Boys Championships may be combined to become mixed at the Feis Organisers discretion if only one competitor is entered.
- 20 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. **The Under 12 Age Group will be allowed to Toe Walk from 1st September.**
- 21 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.
- 22 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.
- 23 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.
- 24 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.
- 25 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.
- 26 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.**
- 27 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.
- 28 Any competition can be moved to another hall at the discretion of the Feis Secretary.
- 29 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.
- 30 **Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children**, at all times, whilst attending the Feis.
- 31 The Feis Organiser accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to personal property.
- 32 No Smoking, eating or drinking in any of the halls, except in designated areas.
- 33 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.
- 34 Competitors in Bun Grad & Tus Grad, up to and including the Under 12 age group, may only wear traditional class costumes or long/short-sleeved blouses/shirts & skirts/trousers, polo tops & skirts/ trousers, body suits & skirts or tunics that conform to the regular costume length rule. Low-cut tops and short tight skirts are not permitted.
- 35 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 per cent) in order for the dancer to continue in the competition. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator, all adjudicators on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to wear tights.
- 36 Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn. Undergarments must provide full coverage as per the illustration attached. (See Addendum A). Dancers wearing undergarments that do not cover the areas of the body as in the illustrated example will be asked to put on black tights of a denier of not less than 70%. This is monitored by the adjudicator. For competitions adjudicated by a panel of more than one adjudicator all adjudicator on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to put on tights

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

The Hertfordshire Championships Committee and teachers of Celtic Hearts Irish Dance will protect all user's information in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2018.

The Teachers of Celtic Hearts Irish Dance are fully paid up members of CLRG and comply with all CLRG GDPR Regulations currently in place as regards to running Feiseanna.

Data collected will be via the completed entry pack that is available for download from <https://www.instepfm.com>. All the data in the entry pack will be emailed and stored on a password protected laptop (operated by Instep Feis Management) and only shared with the Feis Organiser.



Preliminary Championships in England, Scotland and Wales

Implementation date 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.
- Competitors that qualify for and compete in Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne in the previous 12 months cannot compete in a Preliminary Championship ***except where the dancer auto qualified at their Regional or National Oireachtas due to lack of numbers.***
- 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 12 months.

PLEASE NOTE THE ABOVE RULES ARE NOT RETROSPECTIVE

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

2021 WINNERS - 7th Hertfordshire Championship Winners

Mixed	U6	ROBYN HOUSLEY-SMITH	GLENDARRAGH ACADEMY
Mixed	U7	ELLIE-MAI HEADD-McDERMOTT	HEADD-McDERMOTT ACADEMY
Girls	U8	VALARIE SNIGUR	CLADDAGH ACADEMY
Girls	U9	EVA MOSS	BROOKS ACADEMY
Boys	U9	SEAMUS DALY	MCGAHAN-LEES ACADEMY
Girls	U10	AISLING HARRISON	NADINE MARTIN ACADEMY
Prelim	U10	HONOR SKY CONLON	DEBORAH WHELAN DANCE
Girls	U11	EILA BECKETT	NADINE MARTIN ACADEMY
Boys	U11	SOL MORGAN	AMDC
Prelim	U11	NIAMH McLELLAN	MCGAHAN-LEES ACADEMY
Girls	U12	SUMMER KEY	NADINE MARTIN ACADEMY
Prelim	U12	CIARA MATHER	IRISH DANCE ACADEMY
Girls	U13	CIARRA McCARTHY	MCGAHAN-LEES ACADEMY
Boys	U13	TOBY McGUINNESS	CLADDAGH ACADEMY
Prelim	U13	AOIFE MAI KEOGH	CLADDAGH ACADEMY
Girls	U14	LAURA CAROLEO OLIVIA DELANEY	CELTIC HEARTS IRISH DANCE MCGAHAN-LEES ACADEMY
Prelim	U14	MADELEINE McDAID	KIDD SCHOOL
Girls	U15	ELLIE-KATE McCARTHY	MCGAHAN-LEES ACADEMY
Boys	U15	JOHN O'CONNOR	CLADDAGH ACADEMY
Prelim	U15	EMMA GOLDMAN	MURCHU-DUIGINN SCHOOL
Girls	U16	SCARLETT SKEHILL	CELTIC HEARTS IRISH DANCE
Prelim	U16	NICOLE MADANAYAKE	MURCHU-DUIGINN SCHOOL
Girls	U17	MARY CONWAY	MCGAHAN-LEES ACADEMY
Boys	U17	JAMES McGUIRK	CAREY ACADEMY
Ladies	U19	ERIN McPOLIN	CAREY ACADEMY
Ladies	O19	ANNALISE CARTER	AMDC
Men	O17	TOMMY BATESON	MURCHU-DUIGINN SCHOOL
Prelim	O16	MAISIE HILL	MURCHU-DUIGINN SCHOOL