

Celebrating 51 years of the Boyle-O'Dowda Academy



Presents the

45th

Solent Féile Championships

On

Saturday 17th June 2023

Portchester Community School, White Hart Lane, Portchester, Fareham, Hampshire, PO16 9BD

ADJUDICATORS

Colette McAllister	ADCRG	Leinster
Donna Griffin	ADCRG	Midlands
Gerard McQuaid	ADCRG	Ulster
Kathleen Murray	ADCRG	SE Region
Michael McInerney	ADCRG	SE Region
Tracey Taaffe	ADCRG	Ulster

MUSICIANS

Alan Burns	SE Region
Anthony Davis	Midlands

Closing date: 5th June 2023 - Due to the Feis being run on one day it may not be possible to enter on the day, please enter early to avoid disappointment.

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Cláráithe Feis An Choimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha



Dear Teachers,

We are delighted to welcome you all to the 45th Solent Féile and thank all of you that have supported us over the last 44 years.

Once again, the Solent Féile will be held at the Portchester Community School, which is just 6 minutes from the M27, Junction 11. The school has excellent facilities; an assembly hall with a very large stage, and a sports hall which can accommodate up to 4 competition floors.

Our canteen will once again have a selection of hot and cold food and drinks served all day at reasonable prices, and our sweets and snack stall will continue to offer a great selection in the sports hall.

As in previous years our medals and trophies will be of a high standard and all Open and Preliminary Championship winners will be presented with our very impressive perpetual cups, plus sashes for the top 5.

All graded solos will be awarded with a trophy for the top 3 and everyone will be placed in their reel.

We will once again have the stars of the future perform in our fabulous U5 Tiny tots' competition and every child will receive a trophy.

We have invited 6 very accomplished adjudicators and 2 excellent musicians to be with us for the weekend. All Preliminary from Under 10 and Open Championships from Under 6 upwards will be adjudicated by a panel of 3.

Once again, we would like to thank you all for your support in previous years and look forward to welcoming you again this year. For those who are attending for the first time, a very big welcome to you all and wish everyone a safe journey and an enjoyable weekend.

***Ailis O'Dowda, ADCRG & Alice Boyle-O'Dowda ADCRG.
And The parents and pupils of the Boyle-O'Dowda Academy.***

ACCOMMODATION

MARRIOT HOTEL - SOUTHAMPTON ROAD, PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE, PO6 4SH

PREMIER INN PORTSMOUTH HARBOUR - 1 SOUTHAMPTON ROAD, NORTH HARBOUR, COSHAM, PO6 4SA

PREMIER INN - BINNACLE WAY, PORTSMOUTH, HAMPSHIRE, PO6 4FB

TRAVELODGE PORTSMOUTH - KINGSTON CRESCENT, NORTH END, PORTSMOUTH, PO2 8AB

45th Solent Feile - Grade Competitions

U5 TINY TOTS	16 BARS OF A REEL					
NOVICE (Bún Grád)	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNPIPE
Under 6	122-124	116	124	124		
6 & Under 7	122-124	116	124	124		
7 & Under 8	122-124	116	124	124	96	144
8 & Under 9	122-124	116	124	124	96	144
9 & Under 10	122-124	116	124	124	96	144
10 & Under 11	122-124	116	124	124	96	144
11 & Under 12	122-124	116	124	124	96	144
OVER 12	122-124	116	124	124	96	144
PRIMARY (Tús Grád)	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNPIPE
Under 6	116-118	116	124	120		
Under 7	116-118	116	124	120		
7 & Under 8	116-118	116	124	120	76	118
8 & Under 9	116-118	116	124	120	76	118
9 & Under 10	116-118	116	124	120	76	118
10 & Under 11	116-118	116	124	120	76	118
11 & Under 12	116-118	116	124	120	76	118
12 & Under 14	116-118	116	124	120	76	118
OVER 14	116-118	116	124	120	76	118
INTERMEDIATE (Mean Grád)	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNPIPE
Under 6	113	116	124	113		
Under 7	113	116	124	113		
7 & Under 8	113	116	124	113	73	113
8 & Under 9	113	116	124	113	73	113
9 & Under 10	113	116	124	113	73	113
10 & Under 11	113	116	124	113	73	113
11 & Under 12	113	116	124	113	73	113
12 & Under 14	113	116	124	113	73	113
14 & Under 16	113	116	124	113	73	113
OVER 16	113	116	124	113	73	113
OPEN (Ard Grád)	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY	TROPHY
	REEL	LIGHT JIG	SINGLE JIG	SLIP JIG	HEAVY JIG	HORNPIPE
Under 6	113	116	124	113		
6 & Under 7	113	116	124	113	73	113
7 & Under 8	113	116	124	113	73	113
8 & Under 9	113	116	124	113	73	113

UNDER 9 OPEN SET DANCE

Under 11 & Under 13	13 & Under 16	Over 16
4 Hand Reel	4 Hand Reel	4 Hand Reel
Fairy Reel	Fairy Reel	Fairy Reel
Ceili Championship	Ceili Championship	Ceili Championship
Progressive Dance	Progressive Dance	Progressive Dance

Traditional Set Dance competition - Panel of 3 Adjudicators

Under 15 - Sheila McAleer Memorial Cup

Over 15 - Tom & Cath Alford Memorial Cup

45th Solent Feile - Championship & Preliminary Dances

MIXED CHAMPIONSHIPS

Under 6	Reel (40)	Single Jig (32)	Light Jig (32)
6 & Under 7	Reel (40)	Single Jig (32)	Light Jig (32)
7 & Under 8	Reel (40)	Heavy Jig (40)	Trad Set
8 & Under 9	Reel (40)	Heavy Jig (40)	Trad Set
9 & Under 10	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Trad or Open Set
10 & Under 11	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
11 & Under 12	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
12 & Under 13	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
13 & Under 14	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
14 & Under 15	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
15 & Under 16	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
16 & Under 17	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
17 & Under 19	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
19 & Under 21	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance
Senior Over 21	Heavy Jig or Hornpipe	Reel or Slip Jig	Open Set Dance

MIXED PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS

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
16 & Under 18	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance
Over 18	Heavy Jig (40) or Hornpipe (32)	Reel (40) or Slip Jig (32)	Open Set Dance

Entry Fees

CEILI - FIGURE COMPETITIONS (£3 PER DANCER)	£3.00
SOLO TROPHY COMPETITIONS	£5.00
DOOR FEE PER ADULT - PAYABLE ON ENTRY TO THE FEIS (Children Free)	£5.00
UNDER 5 - TINY TOTS - GRADE COMPETITIONS & CEILI CHAMPIONSHIPS	£10.00
UNDER 15 & OVER 15 MEMORIAL TRAD SET COMPETITIONS	£10.00
MIXED OPEN FROM UNDER 6 - INCLUDES 2 SOLO RESULTS	£40.00
MIXED PRELIMINARY FROM UNDER 10 - INCLUDES 2 SOLO RESULTS	£40.00
Maximum for 1 Dancer	£55.00
Family Fee for 2	£70.00
Family Fee for 3 or more siblings	£90.00

Email your entry pack to: desilke@instepfm.com or desilke648@icloud.com

CLOSING DATE IS MONDAY 5th JUNE 2023

Standard Rules for SER Feiseanna – 2023

- 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 2023.
- 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 The adjudication panel is at the discretion of the Feis organiser.
- 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
- 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

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.
- 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

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

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)

The Solent Feile Committee and teachers of the Boyle-O'Dowda Academy will protect all user's information in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2018. The Teachers of Boyle-O'Dowda Academy 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 stored on a password protected laptop and only shared with the Feis Organiser.