



## WATERVILLE VALLEY FEIS 2023

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**SATURDAY, MAY 6th, 2023**

**WATERVILLE VALLEY ICE ARENA 25 VILLAGE ROAD, WATERVILLE VALEY, NH 8:30AM START TIME**

Maximum entries is 500.

**Entry deadline April 15, 2023**

**\$25 late fee accepted from April 21<sup>th</sup>- 2023**

**No Entries accepted after April 28,2023**

**We welcome the Irish Dance Community to the beautiful Waterville Valley Resort in the White Mountains.**

*This is the second-year collaboration between two teachers, who are lifelong friends. We encourage everyone to embrace our Feis motto!*

***“EMBRACE OUR PACE”***

A complete time schedule, list of adjudicators and musicians will be posted at [www.sullivanirishdance.com](http://www.sullivanirishdance.com) and on the Waterville Valley Feisanna [Facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com)

All entries through [www.feisweb.com](http://www.feisweb.com)

All entries must be paid for upon entry.

**Print competitor cards at home.**

**No hair, tanning or makeup application is allowed in public restrooms. In fact, we encourage all to leave your tanning equipment and wigs at home. Go natural and be YOU! Video photography allowed, for only pre-beginner and beginners levels.**

**You may picnic and camp on the grounds, bring chairs.**

The Waterville Valley Feis is registered, sanctioned, and governed by the rules of An Coimisiun, the New England Region and IDTANA. Feis Rules at [www.idtane.com](http://www.idtane.com).

If required, NH COVID guidelines will be in place and enforced

## Entry Fees'

Grades - \$15/dance

Open Championships: \$60- includes marks

Preliminary Championships \$50- includes marks

Gate Fee: \$30

Max Family Fee 150.00

Treble Reel Special: \$15

Soda Bread: \$5

4-Hands \$10

Adults-\$15/Champs \$50

Adaptive Entries- No Charge

**Boys and girls are combined for pre beginner, beginner, novice and PW and Preliminary**

**Pre Beginner** (One step, one at a time) This category is open to girls and boys under 6 years of age and is an introduction to a Feis. Dancers will have the opportunity to perform one step in their reel and jig. All dancers will receive the same recognition.

Music: R 122; LJ 115

	Reel	LJ
Under 5	1	2
Under 6	3	4
Under 7	5	6

**Beginner** (2 steps, 2 at a time)

A competitor who has not taken Irish dancing lessons from a registered teacher prior to September 1<sup>st</sup> of the previous year.

Music speeds: R/SJ 122 /LJ 115

	R	SJ	LJ
Under 5	7	8	9
Under 6	10	11	12
Under 7	13	14	15
Under 8	16	17	18
Under 9	19	20	21
Under 10	22	23	24
Under 11	25	26	27
Under 12	28	29	30
12 & Over	31	32	33

**Advanced Beginner** (2 steps, 2 at a time)

A competitor who has completed 1 year in beginner. An Advanced Beginner who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd place will advance to the Novice category in that particular dance.

Music speeds: R/SJ 122; LJ 115; HJ 92; HP 138

	R	SJ	LJ	HJ	HP
Under 6	100	101	102	103	104

**Novice** (2 steps, 2 at a time)

Competitors who have placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in advanced beginner category advance to novice in that particular dance.

Music speeds R/SJ 113; LJ 115; HJ 73 or 92; HP 113 or 138

	R	SJ	LJ	HJ	HP	TSet
Under 6	200	201	202	203	204	205
Under 7	206	207	208	209	210	211
Under 8	212	213	214	215	216	217
Under 9	218	219	220	221	222	223
Under 10	224	225	226	227	228	229
Under 11	230	231	232	233	234	235
Under 12	236	237	238	239	240	241
Under 13	242	243	244	245	246	247
Under 14	248	249	250	251	252	253
14 & Over	254	255	256	257	258	259

**Prizewinner** (2 steps, 2 at a time)

A competitor who has won 1<sup>st</sup> in Novice in that Particular dance. Music speeds: R/SJ 113;

HJ 73 or 92; HP 113 or 138

	R	SJ	HJ	HP	TSet
Under 6	300	301	302	303	304
Under 7	305	306	307	308	309
Under 8	310	311	312	313	314
Under 9	315	316	317	318	319
Under 10	320	321	322	323	324
Under 11	325	326	327	328	329
Under 12	330	331	332	333	334
Under 13	335	336	337	338	339

Under 7	105	106	107	108	109
Under 8	110	111	112	113	114
Under 9	115	116	117	118	119
Under 10	120	121	122	123	124
Under 11	125	126	127	128	129
Under 12	130	131	132	133	134
Under 13	135	136	137	138	139
13 & Over	140	141	142	143	144

Under 14	340	341	342	343	344
Under 15	345	346	347	348	349
15 & over	350	351	352	353	354

4hand competitions are intended to help dancers prepare for Nationals. Entries should follow the rules and regulation posted at [www.clrg.ie](http://www.clrg.ie). Approved 113-4-Hand Reel Lead, Body and first Figure or 115-Humors of Bandon- Lead, Body, and 1<sup>st</sup> Figure. All teams must dance with top couple to left of adjudicator. Mixed 4-hand must have minimum of 1 boy. 25%.

4Hands	Girls	Mixed
Under 9	50	55
Under 11	51	56
Under 13	52	57
Under 16	53	58
Under 19 and over	54	59

**Preliminary Championships\*** – Open to dancers who have placed 1<sup>st</sup> in Prizewinner in their light and heavy shoe. A dancer who wins two first place preliminary championships in one calendar year must move on to open championship the following year or as soon as the second win is achieved in any age category in the following years. Only in back-to-back feisanna, the first win will not change the dancer's status for the second Feis. **No change to dances on Feis day or after closing date!**

Girls & Boys	R/TJ	R/HP	SJ/TJ	SJ/HP
U 8	500A	500B	500C	500D
U 9	501A	501B	501C	501D
U 10	502A	502B	502C	502D
U 11	503A	503B	503C	503D
U 12	504A	504B	504C	504D
U 13	505A	505B	505C	505D
U 14	506A	506B	506C	506D
U 15	507A	507B	507C	507D
U 16	508A	508B	508C	508D
U 17	509A	509B	509C	509D
17 & Over	510A	510B	510C	510D

### **Open Championships**

Dancers in open championship will dance 3 rounds. Dancers in Under 9 will dance reel/jig and traditional set piece. Committee reserves the right to combine competitions. If less than 5 boys per competition, boys may dance be combined with the girls.

Girls	R/J	R/HP	SJ/ JIG	SJ/HP
U 9	600A	600B	600C	600D
U 10	601A	601B	601C	601D
U 11	602A	602B	602C	602D
U 12	603A	603B	603C	603D
U 13	604A	604B	604C	604D
U 14	605A	605B	605C	605D
U 15	606A	606B	606C	606D
U 16	607A	607B	607C	607D
U 17	608A	608B	608C	608D
U 18	609A	609B	609C	609D
18 and over	610A	610B	610C	610D
<b>BOYS</b>	<b>R/J</b>	<b>R/HP</b>		
U9	611A	611B		
U10	612A	612B		

**Marks included in entry fee.** Marks for Grades competitors will be available online at feisweb.com. Marks for Championship competitors will be distributed at the Feis. All tabulations will be completed by feisweb.

U12	613A	613B		
U14	614A	614B		
U16	615A	615B		
U18	616A	616B		
18 and over	617A	617B		

### ADULT COMPETITIONS

All Adult competitions must meet one of the following two criteria to be eligible for Adult Dancer Competitions:

1. Dancers must not have taken Irish dance lessons as juveniles and must be at least 18 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

OR

2. Dancers may have taken Irish Dance lessons as juveniles, but not competed in any competitions ( solo or team) at any feisanna or Orechtai, except competitions specifically designated for Adults or Dance Drama, with the past 5 years and must be at least 18 years of age on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

Two steps, Men & Ladies combined. **Music Speed:** R/SJ: 113, TJ: 73/92, HP: 113/138

### Adult Solo Entry \$15/dance

Reel	Lt. Jig	Slip Jig	Treble Jig	HP	Trad Set
700	701	702	703	704	705

### Adult Championship Entry Fee \$ 50

Championships	R/H	R/TJ	SJ/HP	SJ/TJ
	710	711	712	713

### The Maura O’Neill Memorial Irish Soda Bread Competition

# 750, By Saturday 11 am Bring your soda bread entry to the ‘Awards Station’ desk. Wrapped and labeled. Each soda bread will be judged by the head chef and staff of the Olde Waterville Valley Pizza Company, located at 6 Village Rd. The winner will be announced by 3pm and receive a gift certificate to the Olde Waterville Valley Pizza Company. \$5 entry fee.

<b>Irish Soda Bread</b>	
	750

### Adaptive Competition: No charge for this category

This is a special category for children with special needs that want to participate in the spirit of an Irish dance Feis.

One step per dance. Dancers will dance one at a time. Dancers that require assistance on stage will be provided with support as needed. Any special accommodations please reach out to csullivanjig@hotmail.com.

Adaptive	Reel	Light Jig	Slip Jig	Treble Jig	Hornpipe
	902	903	904	905	906

### The Curious George Cottage in Waterville Valley

Waterville Valley, New Hampshire was a summer retreat for **H.A. Rey** and **Margret Rey**, creators of the **Curious George** series of children’s books.

The Reys came to the Valley in the 1950s. At that time, they had escaped the Holocaust in Paris. They spent over twenty summers here and wrote several Curious George stories while in the Valley.

The Rey cottage is an intellectual center, hosting book clubs, discussion groups, and the opportunity to watch a children's author at work. Hans was known for his chalk talks, and family nature walks, which often included conversations with imaginary people.

After the Reys died, the cottage was donated to the town of Waterville Valley. It is managed by the Margret and H.A. Rey Center, dedicated to providing educational and recreational programs for children and families.

#### Special Treble Reel Competition

Entry: \$15

Entries will be donated to the ‘Curious George Cottage’ in Waterville Valley.

	U10	U12	U14	U16 and Up +
Novice/PW	801	802	803	804
Prelim/Open	805	806	807	808



**Bring your musical instruments. After the Feis commences, Saturday afternoon approximately 4-6pm, play in an olde fashion Irish Seisiun (session) at the Valley Pub and Restaurant, 29 Village Rd, in the Waterville Valley Village.**

#### ENTRY FEES

Due to the high cost of this event, there will be NO REFUNDS. The Feis committee has to pre-pay for much of the feis weeks in advance and the funds will not be available for any refunds even for reasons due to illness or weather.

If the feis is cancelled for any reason, refunds will be issued to all competitors minus the gate fee and feis web fee will be refunded. We will not respond to any requests for refunds.

## **Lodging 2 nights minimum required**

**20% off when booking 2 nights or more at select lodges**

**Snowy Owl Inn** - Use Code WVFEIS 20% Off - [Book Now Link](#) - [www.snowyowlinn.com](http://www.snowyowlinn.com) - 800-766-9969

**Black Bear Lodge** - Use Code FEIS 20% Off - [Book Now Link](#) - [www.blackbearlodgenh.com](http://www.blackbearlodgenh.com) - 800-349-2327

**Golden Eagle Lodge** - Call and Use Code FEIS 20% Off - [www.goldeneaglelodge.com](http://www.goldeneaglelodge.com) - 888-703-2453

**Valley Inn** - Call for 20% Off - [www.valleyinn.com](http://www.valleyinn.com) - 800-343-0969

**Town Square Condos** - Call for 20% Off - [www.waterville.com/lodging](http://www.waterville.com/lodging) - 888-462-9887

**Village Condos** - Call for 20% Off - [www.villagecondo.com](http://www.villagecondo.com) - 800-532-6630

**Silver Fox** - Call for 20% Off - [www.silverfoxinn.com](http://www.silverfoxinn.com) - 888-236-3699

**Lodges** are all within easy walking distance to the ice rink. All lodging includes Freedom Pass benefits including access to the White Mountain Athletic Club, pool, hot tub, and lots of other great free and discounted activities.  
2-night minimum stay applies, no refunds

**Feis related questions contact Jenn Reale: [jreale62808@gmail.com](mailto:jreale62808@gmail.com)**

### ***Release, Waive, Hold Harmless Agreement***

Please note the Sullivan School of Irish Dance and the Wood School of Irish dance, The New England Feis Committee and the Waterville Valley Association in NH are not responsible for personal injury or harm to any competitor or spectator. By submitting an entry online at [www.feisweb.com](http://www.feisweb.com) all parents or legal guardian agrees to abide by the rules governing the feis and the venue.

I acknowledge that this activity involves exertion and carries with it the potential for injury. I hereby agree to waive the right to take legal action or join in any actions against any Feis related affiliates and associates for injuries incurred during practice and/or performance in any location. I hereby agree to indemnify, protect and save harmless the parties above or any of them from all judgments, cost and expenses whatsoever arising on account of any action, claim or demand by the minor child of mine, or any child for which I am acting in guardianship or supervisory capacity. It is understood and agreed that the participant is physically fit and prepared for participation in the activities which will be undertaken, and the participant has not been advised by any doctor or other medical person that participation in these activities should be avoided and/or limited. Participation in any competition or performance is at the sole discretion and decision of the parent or guardian.

The Feis Committee and Waterville Valley will not be held responsible for injury, loss of property, damage or other claims.