

****DESTINATION FEIS ON WILMINGTON RIVERFRONT****
46th ANNUAL IRISH CULTURE CLUB OF DELAWARE'S FEIS
AND IRISH FESTIVAL



Sunday, August 9,
2026, START TIME - 8:30 AM
Doors open at 7:30 AM

*****AMAZING SPACIOUS VENUE*****
CHASE CENTER ON THE RIVERFRONT
815 Justison Street, Wilmington, Delaware 19801

LIMITED TO FIRST 500 ENTRIES

Event Fee \$30.00 (must be paid with entry)
Feis Registration available at www.feisweb.com
Further information regarding the Feis is available on Facebook – Delaware Feis and the ICCD website
<https://www.facebook.com/delawarefeis/>
www.irishcultureclubde.com

NO FOOD, NO PERSONAL FOLDING CHAIRS or BLANKETS permitted.

Co-Chair: Nora Smith - (610) 494-4347 or noratsmith8@yahoo.com
Co-Chair: Eileen Paulson, TCRG - paulson004@aol.com
Co-Chair: Phil Leach – Irish Music Festival – pjl2636@gmail.com
Co-Chair – Paul Dolan
Entry Chair: Tara McHugh, TCRG - DelawareFeisEntry@gmail.com
Entry Co-Chair – Joan Ruane – murphyfeismom@hotmail.com

ADJUDICATORS & MUSICIANS

Musicians: Karen Conway, Kevin Forde, Luke Sooy, Ryan Ward, Marty Garfield Levine, Mairead Early
Adjudicators: Kerry Broderick (NY) Patricia Murphy (NJ) , Michael Smith (CT), Noreen Smith (CT),
Mairead Stillson (ME) -more TBA

This Feis is a private event hosted by the Irish Culture Club of Delaware and reserves the right to accept or refuse admission to this event

Feis is registered, sanctioned, and will be governed by the rules of An Coimisiún (www.CLRG.ie), IDTANA Mid-Atlantic Region (www.mid-atlanticregion.com). Please refer to applicable websites for rules governing the Feis. The Feis Committee and/or the Irish Culture Club of Delaware and/or the Chase Center (www.centerontheriverfront.com) or any other organizations affiliated with same will not be held responsible for personal injury, property loss or damage. Destruction of Feis property or rental property will be punishable by Law. This Feis is a private event hosted by the Irish Culture Club of Delaware and reserves the right to accept or refuse admission to this event.

Entry Rules and Fees

Feis Entry Chair: Tara McHugh, TCRG - DelawareFeisEntry@gmail.com

Entries will be taken on www.feisweb.com

Syllabus on Delaware Feis Facebook page and ICCD Website - www.irishcultureclubde.com

Any Parent, legal guardian or dancer that submits entry agrees to abide by the stated rules by the MAR, IDTANA and CLRG. Entries for Feis must be done through www.feisweb.com only and payment must be made through PayPal. No entries will be accepted via mail.

Fees

Feis Web Fee: **\$6.00**

Event Fee: **\$30.00**

First Feis, Grade Solos and Traditional Sets: **\$15.00** per competition per dance

Preliminary Championship: **\$50.00**

Open Championship: **\$60.00**

Charity treble reel: **\$10.00** (All proceeds will go to the charity of the ICCD's choice)

Art: **\$10.00** per entry

Figure Dances: **\$10.00 per team member (all team members must be paid in full to compete)**

Late Fee: **\$50.00**

(Maximum: **\$200.00** per Family THIS EXCLUDES \$30.00 event fee, charity treble reel, FeisWeb fee, and late fee)

NO REFUNDS WILL BE HONORED

Entries received or changed after July 29th, 2026 must include a late fee of \$50.00 per family.

*****Unpaid Entries will be deleted. Please pay for entry on registration*****

The FeisWeb list of paid entries reflects only those entries which are paid in full.

Marks

Marks are included in entry fees. CHAMPION marks will be distributed where awards are announced.

GRADE/SOLO marks will be available on www.feisweb.com. Please check on August 12, 2026, by clicking on My Grade Results.

Schedule:

Schedules will be posted on the Delaware Feis Facebook page and The ICCD website www.irishcultureclubde.com.

FIRST FEIS*

Open to any competitor who has never competed before. First step of light jig and/or reel.

*Videotaping allowed

Girls/Boys	Reel/Light Jig
Reel	1000
Light Jig	1001

BEGINNER*

A beginner is a competitor who has not taken Irish dancing lessons from a registered teacher from September 1st of previous year. Dancer must move to Advanced Beginner the following year.

*Videotaping allowed

2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time. Competitors in Beginner and Advanced Beginner must wear either a school costume or shirt with pants/skirt. **NO SOLO COSTUMES.**

Speeds: Reel / Slip Jig 122, Light Jig 115, Hop Jig 124

Girls/Boys	Reel	Lt Jig	Slip Jig	Hop Jig
Under 6	1	2	3	4
Under 7	5	6	7	8
Under 8	9	10	11	12
Under 9	13	14	15	16
Under 10	17	18	19	20
Under 11	21	22	23	24
Under 12	25	26	27	28
12 & Over	29	30	31	32
Adult	33	34	35	36

Special Needs	Reel and/or Lt Jig
Any Age	70

ADVANCED BEGINNER

An Advanced Beginner is a dancer who has taken lessons from a registered teacher for more than 1 year. An advanced beginner who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd place will advance to the Novice category in that particular dance the following year. **2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time.** Competitors in Advanced Beginner must wear either a school costume or shirt with pants/skirt. **NO SOLO COSTUMES.**

*Videotaping allowed

Speeds: Reel/ Slip Jig 122, Light Jig 115, Hop Jig 124, Treble Jig 92, Hornpipe 138

Girls/Boys	Reel	Lt Jig	Slip Jig	Hop Jig	Treb Jig	Hornpipe
Under 6	100	101	102	103	104	105
Under 7	106	107	108	109	110	111
Under 8	112	113	114	115	116	117
Under 9	118	119	120	121	122	123
Under 10	124	125	126	127	128	129
Under 11	130	131	132	133	134	135
Under 12	136	137	138	139	140	141
12 & Over	142	143	144	145	146	147
Adult	148	149	150	151	152	153

NOVICE

A Novice is a dancer who has previously won a 1st, 2nd, or 3rd place in Advanced Beginner. A novice who wins 1st place will advance to Prizewinner category in that particular dance the following year.

2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time.

Videotaping is NOT permitted

Speeds: Reel/Slip Jig 113, Light Jig 115, Treble Jig 73 or 92 Hornpipe 113 or 138

Girls/Boys	Reel	Lt Jig	Slip Jig	Treb Jig	Hornpipe
Under 7	200	201	202	203	204
Under 8	205	206	207	208	209
Under 9	210	211	212	213	214
Under 10	215	216	217	218	219
Under 11	220	221	222	223	224
Under 12	225	226	227	228	229
Under 13	230	231	232	233	234
13 & Over	235	236	237	238	239
Adult	240	241	242	243	244

PRIZEWINNER

A Prizewinner is a dancer who has previously won 1st in a particular dance. **2 Steps, 2 Dancers at a time.**

Videotaping is NOT permitted

Speeds: Reel/Slip Jig 113, Light Jig 115, Treble Jig 73 or 92 Hornpipe 113 or 138

Girls/Boys	Reel	Lt Jig	Slip Jig	Treb Jig	Hornpipe
Under 8	300	301	302	303	304
Under 9	305	306	307	308	309
Under 10	310	311	312	313	314
Under 11	315	316	317	318	319
Under 12	320	321	322	323	324
Under 13	325	326	327	328	329
Under 14	330	331	332	333	334
14 & Over	335	336	337	338	339
Adult	340	341	342	343	344

TRADITIONAL SET – GRADE LEVEL

Advanced Beginner – Novice - Prizewinner

St. Patrick's Day (94) Garden of Daisies (138) Blackbird (144) King of the Fairies (130) Job of Journeywork (138) Jockey to the Fair (90) Three Sea Captains (96)

Videotaping is NOT permitted

Age	Competition
Under 8	700
Under 10	701
Under 12	702
Under 14	703
14 & Over	704
Adult	717

TRADITIONAL SET – CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL

Preliminary Championship – Open Championship

St. Patrick's Day (94) Garden of Daisies (138) Blackbird (144) King of the Fairies (130) Job of Journeywork (138) Jockey to the Fair (90) Three Sea Captains (96)

Videotaping is NOT permitted.

Age	Preliminary	Open
Under 8	705	711
Under 10	706	712
Under 12	707	713
Under 14	708	714
14 & Over	709	715
Adult	710	716

PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP

A dancer who has placed 1st in both light and heavy prizewinner dances and has never won 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Open Championship. *Mid-Atlantic Rule: Dancers who win three 1st places in Preliminary Championships in one calendar year must move onto Open the following year or as soon as the 3rd win is achieved in the following year(s). Must dance either Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars) and Hornpipe (40 bars) or Jig (48 bars). Videotaping is NOT permitted

Age	Comp #	Memorial Trophy
Under 8	400	Donna B. Jubb
Under 9	401	Pierce Family
Under 10	402	John J. Shields, Jr.
Under 11	403	Sheila McHugh
Under 12	404	John & Alice Claffey
Under 13	405	Maureen Looney
Under 14	406	New Castle County Irish Society
Under 15	407	Anne McAleer
Under 16	408	Fuller
Under 17	409	Michael Meehan
17 & Over	410	Bob & Joan McHugh
Adult	411	

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Reel (48 bars) or Slip Jig (40 bars), Hornpipe (40 bars) or Treble Jig (48 bars). Set piece of own choice. Under 9 & younger must dance a traditional set.

Videotaping is NOT permitted

All age groups 14 & under are permitted to dance 3 at a time if the stage is 32' x 24' or larger.

Ladies	Competition	Memorial Trophy
**Under 9	600	Veronica McAleer
Under 10	601	Eileen & John Dineen
Under 11	602	Bob Raughley
Under 12	603	Patrick James O'Hanlon
Under 13	604	Jimmy Mallon
Under 14	605	Paul Dennis Buckley, Jr.
Under 15	606	Paul Dolan
Under 16	607	Kathleen M. Guckin
Under 17	608	Eileen Paulson
Under 18	609	Anne Marie Fahey
Under 20	610	
20 & Over	611	Justine Kearn

Gentlemen	Competition	Memorial Trophy
**Under 9	620	Nora T. Smith
Under 10	621	Geraldine Walsh
Under 11	622	
Under 12	623	Nicholas Paulson
Under 13	624	
Under 14	625	Patrick Kelly
Under 15	626	
Under 16	627	
16 & Over	628	Kenneth F. Benenati

TREBLE REEL FOR CHARITY

The ICCD and members will support a local charity TBD. Donation Fee \$10.00 - All donations will go directly to the ICCD's charity of choice.

***If you would like to donate and will not be dancing, please use competition #800 in FeisWeb. Donations will also be taken side stage.

Championship	OPEN	PRELIMINARY
Under 12	801	803
12 & Over	802	804

Grade	Advanced Beginner, Novice, and Prizewinner
Under 12	805
12 & Over	806

FIGURE DANCES

Competitors may compete in their own age group or the next higher age group. Two Hands and Three Hands will be limited to 48 bars. Four hands will be dance and figure of choice.

Age	2 Hand	3 Hand	4 Hand
Under 7	500	501	502
Under 9	503	504	505
Under 11	506	507	508
Under 13	509	510	511
Under 15	512	513	514
15 & Over	515	516	517

THE GOVERNOR'S CUP

The Governor's Cup will be awarded to the dance school receiving the most overall points in the ceili competitions. 2nd and 3rd place trophies will also be awarded.

PARENT/CHILD FIGURE DANCES

Children must dance with a family or extended family member.

Figure	Competition	Memorial Trophy
2 Hand	PC-2H	Mr. & Mrs. John P. Walsh, Jr.
3 Hand	PC-3H	Mary Therese Smith

IRISH BREAD

No entry fees. Bread is to be delivered to the Feis prior to 11:00 AM

Bread Type	Competition
Irish Soda Bread	BR - 1
Brown Irish Bread	BR - 2

IRISH ART

Entry must depict an Irish scene or theme. There is an entry fee of **\$10.00**, and you can enter on feisweb.com. Art entry must be received at the main desk by 11:00 AM and have competitor number on the back of artwork.

Age	Competition
Under 10	A - 1
Under 18	A - 2
18 & Over	A - 3



The Diamond State Feis on the Riverfront Hotels

RIVERFRONT HOTELS

The Westin Wilmington – Feis Rate \$189 + fees

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1768835609782&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Last Day to book the Feis Rate: July 7, 2026

818 Shipyard Drive, Wilmington, DE 19801

302-654-2900

Homewood Suites by Hilton Wilmington Downtown - \$209 + fees

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/ilgwmhw-icc-4971de78-d28b-4fda-bd29-2787ca6e3e47/>

Last Day to book the Feis Rate: July 15, 2026

820 Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

302-565-2100

The Hyatt Place Wilmington Riverfront - \$215 + fees (\$15 additional per person for triple or quad)

https://www.hyatt.com/shop/rooms/phlzw?checkinDate=2026-08-07&checkoutDate=2026-08-09&rooms=1&adults=1&kids=0&corp_id=G-SIDE&accessibilityCheck=false&brands%5b%5d=place

When booking online, enter the dates August 7-9, 2026, to access the discounted room block.

Last Day to book the Feis Rate: July 8, 2026

760 S. Justison Street, Wilmington, DE 19801

302-803-5888

When calling, mention the Irish Culture Club room block.

OTHER AREA HOTELS

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Wilmington

302-478-6000

Hilton Wilmington/Christiana

302-486-7342

Sheraton Suites Wilmington Downtown

302-654-8300

A special thank you to the parents, friends, and dancers from the Irish Culture Club of Delaware and the following schools who volunteer their time to make the ICCD Feiseanna a success 😊

IRISH CULTURE CLUB OF DELAWARE – MAIN HOST OF FEIS AND FESTIVAL WEEKEND

Do CAIRDE – Kathy Hanley, ADCRG and Maureen Looney – Chair – Adjudicator/Musican Hospitality and Champ awards

EMERALD ISLE – Kate Obrien, TCRG – Chair – Raffle Table, 50/50's

HARPER – KIRK – Megan Harper, ADCRG and Haylee Kirk, TCRG – Chair – Grade Stages, Grade Awards, Treble Reel on the Riverfront Party

HESTER – JJ Hester, ADCRG – Champ Awards Presentations

McALEER-PAULSON – Veronica McAleer, ADCRG and Eileen Paulson, TCRG – Championship Stages, Sponsorships

McHUGH – Tara McHugh, TCRG – Entry Chairperson, Front Desk

The ICCD Diamond State Feis on the Riverfront, The Delaware Feis, and the Music Festival is a beautiful example of many people working together to share our Irish culture with the community. The ICCD and all the schools provide volunteers in all areas for the feis weekend. All of us thank you for attending The Delaware Irish Feis and Festival Weekend!