



Féile an
Chladaigh

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OCTOBER 24 & 25, 2026
THE PIPE SHOP AT THE SHIPYARDS
NORTH VANCOUVER, BC



HOTEL BLOCKS OPEN JULY 1!

OPEN PLATFORM

ALL ORGANIZATIONS
REGISTERED SCHOOLS WELCOME



SYLLABUS

General Information

Set against the beautiful backdrop of North Vancouver's waterfront at The Pipe Shop at The Shipyards, Feile an Chladaigh celebrates the joy, tradition, and community of Irish dance. Proudly hosted by the Rince na Gael Irish Society and [O'Connor School of Irish Dance](#), this Open Platform Feis welcomes dancers from all recognized Irish dance organizations. We look forward to welcoming dancers from near and far as we come together to celebrate the spirit of Irish dance on the shores of Burrard Inlet.

For the latest event information and updates, follow us on Instagram [@feile an chladaigh feis](#) and/or visit our [website](#).

Entry Information

All entries will be made through www.ifeis.net

Due to the structure of this event and the use of one Championship stage at a time, entry caps may be placed on certain competitions. Competitors are strongly encouraged to register early.

Féile an Chladaigh is an Open Platform event by WCIDTA. Entries are welcome from dancers of all Irish Dance Organizations. All dancers must be registered with a teacher who is a member in good standing of their respective governing body or organization and must comply with the rules and eligibility requirements of that organization.

The closing date for entries is October 7th, 2026. A late fee of \$35 will apply for any registrations following this date. THERE ARE NO REFUNDS FOR NO-SHOWS AND OR WITHDRAWALS. Competitions may be combined or split based on entry numbers.

Same day registrations maybe permitted but subject to the late fee, if dance categories are not full



ENTRY FEES

Family Admission Fee \$50/family

There is a Family Maximum of \$155 (please note *restrictions apply)

GRADE LEVEL

- Solo Competitions \$8/dance per competitor
- Figure Dancing \$8/competitor per team
- Beg/Adv. Beg Trophy \$20/each per competitor
- Nov/Prz Trophy \$20/each per competitor

CHAMPIONSHIP LEVEL

- Preliminary and Second Chance Preliminary Championships \$50/each per competitor
- Open Championships (up to and including Age 19) \$60/each per competitor
- Adult Championships (Age 20 and over) \$60/each per competitor
- Preliminary Championships will be single year from U9 through U16. Based on minimum five competitors for each age group.
- All championship first place winners will be invited to take part in the dance off

SPECIAL COMPETITIONS

- Championship Prep / Pre-Oireachtas - \$35 each per competitor
Open to Novice and Prizewinner dancers. Championship-length rounds consisting of one soft shoe round and one hard shoe round. No championship advancement is associated with this competition.
- Tír na nÓg - \$10 each per competitor register the day of at our Registration Desk
- Championship Specials - Soft Shoe (Reel or Slip), Hard Shoe \$20/each per competitor *
- All levels, all ages Halloween Freestyle - \$15 each per competitor or group *
Celebrate the spirit of Halloween on the North Shore! Dancers may compete as soloists or as part of a team and are invited to showcase their creativity through a fun and entertaining 16-bar Reel performance. Halloween-themed costumes, props and imaginative choreography are encouraged. Irish dance shoes are optional. Performances will be judged on creativity, presentation, audience appeal and overall entertainment value.
* not included in family maximum

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment can be made via credit card through ifeis or by etransfer to RNGpayments@shaw.ca.

Please include your dancer's name and dance school in the memo line.



Grade Competitions

First Feis	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	12&O
Reel	3	5	7	9	11	13	15	17
Light Jig	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18

Beginner	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	12&O
Reel	114	121	128	135	142	149	156
Light Jig	115	122	129	136	143	150	157
Single Jig	116	123	130	137	144	151	158
Slip Jig	117	124	131	138	145	152	159
Treble Jig	118	125	132	139	146	153	160
Hornpipe	119	126	133	140	147	154	161
Trad. Set	120	127	134	141	148	155	162

Adv Beg	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	12&O
Reel	214	221	228	235	242	249	256
Light Jig	215	222	229	236	243	250	257
Single Jig	216	223	230	237	244	251	258
Slip Jig	217	224	231	238	245	252	259
Treble Jig	218	225	232	239	246	253	260
Hornpipe	219	226	233	240	247	254	261
Trad. Set	220	227	234	241	248	255	262

Novice	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	13&O
Reel	314	321	328	335	342	349	356	363
Light Jig	315	322	329	336	343	350	357	364
Single Jig	316	323	330	337	344	351	358	365
Slip Jig	317	324	331	338	345	352	359	366
Treble Jig	318	325	332	339	346	353	360	367
Hornpipe	319	326	333	340	347	354	361	368
Trad. Set	320	327	334	341	348	355	362	369

Prize - Winner	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	13&O
Reel	414	421	428	435	442	449	456	463
Light Jig	415	422	429	436	443	450	457	464
Single Jig	416	423	430	437	444	451	458	465
Slip Jig	417	424	431	438	445	452	459	466
Treble Jig	418	425	432	439	446	453	460	467
Hornpipe	419	426	433	440	447	454	461	468
Trad. Set	420	427	434	441	448	455	462	469



Adult Solos

Adult	Beginner	Novice	Prize-Winner
Reel	740	747	754
Light Jig	741	748	755
Single Jig	742	749	756
Slip Jig	743	750	757
Treble Jig	744	751	758
Hornpipe	745	752	759
Trad. Set	746	753	760

Adult Championships

Adult 767
(3 Rounds)

Advanced Adult 768
(3 Rounds)

Championships

- Hard Shoe Round: 48 bars Treble Jig or 40 bars Hornpipe.
- Soft Shoe Round: 48 bars Reel or 40 bars Slip Jig.
- Set Round: U8 & U9 dancers are required to dance a Traditional Set Dance, all other ages must dance a choreographed set dance.
- Starting Dance: Dancers will start in their soft shoe.

Preliminary	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	15&O
3 Rounds	703	704	705	706	707	708	709



Second Chance Preliminary	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	15&O
Soft / Hard	713	714	715	716	717	718	719

Open	U10	U12	U14	U16	U18	U20	20&O
3 Rounds	733	735	737	739	741	743	744

Championship Prep / Pre-Oireachtas	U8	U10	U12	U14	U16	16&O
One Soft / One Hard	723	724	725	726	727	728

Championship Prep / Pre-Oireachtas (Open to Novice and Prizewinner dancers. Championship-length rounds consisting of one soft shoe round and one hard shoe round. No championship advancement associated with this competition.)

Trophies

First Feis	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	12&O
Reel (32 bars)	1000	1001	1002	1003	1004	1005	1006

Beginner/Advanced Beginner	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	12&O
Reel (32 bars)	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Light Jig	2110	2111	2112	2113	2114	2115	2116

Novice/Prizewinner	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	13&O
Hard Shoe	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Light Jig	2120	2121	2122	2123	2124	2125	2126



Specials

Championship	U10	U12	U14	U16	16&O
Soft Shoe (Reel or Slip)	2300	2301	2302	2303	2304
Hard Shoe	2310	2311	2312	2313	2314

Figure Dancing

Beginner	U11	U13	U16	16&O
2 Hand	810	815	820	825
3 Hand	811	816	821	826
4 Hand	812	817	822	827
6 Hand	813	818	823	828
8 Hand	814	819	824	829

Open Figures	U11	U13	U16	16&O
2 Hand	860	865	870	875
3 Hand	861	866	871	876
4 Hand	862	867	872	877
6 Hand	863	868	873	878
8 Hand	864	869	874	879

Feis Rules

1. Competitions are open only to amateurs. Students of teachers registered in good standing with the WCIDTA, the IDTANA, and the CLRG may compete. Additionally, as this feis is designated as 'open' status and has been approved by the WCIDTA board as such, students of teachers registered in good standing with other Irish dance organizations may also compete.
2. Competitor's ages will be determined as of January 1st of the current year.
3. Entries to all feiseanna must receive approval from the competitor's teacher.
4. Music shall be in accordance with regulation metronome speeds.
5. Dancer Categories:

First Feis: A dancer who has never previously competed in a registered competition.



First Feis Trophy: (Reel, 32 bars): Open to dancers entered in their first feis. Dancers may not compete in any other Trophy competition. (05/2022)

Beginner: A dancer who has not qualified for Advanced Beginner in that particular dance.

Advanced Beginner: A dancer who has received a qualifying place in that particular dance in the Beginner level but has not yet qualified to move on to Novice in that particular dance.

Beginner/Advanced Beginner Trophy: (Reel, 32 bars): Open to dancers who dance the majority of their dances in the Beginner or Advanced Beginner level in solos. A dancer must advance to Novice/Prizewinner Trophy if they receive two first place Trophies in this level, or if they advance in their solo levels.

Novice: A dancer who has received a qualifying place in that particular dance in the Advanced Beginner level but has not yet qualified to move on to Prizewinner for that particular dance.

Prizewinner: A dancer who has received a qualifying place in that particular dance in the Novice level but has not yet qualified to advance to Preliminary Championships.

Novice/Prizewinner Trophy: (Treble Jig or Hornpipe; 32 bars, choice of 2 speeds): Open to dancers who dance the majority of their dances in the Novice or Prizewinner level in solos. Also open to dancers who have previously won two first place trophies in the Beginner/Advanced Beginner Trophy competitions.

Preliminary Championships: Open to dancers who have won two (2) first place trophies in the Novice/Prizewinner Trophy competition, and who have not previously won three (3) first place Preliminary Championships. Option B: 48 bars of Reel OR 40 bars of Slip Jig, AND one Non-Traditional Set Dance may be danced, (with the exception of the U8/U9 age groups who will dance a Traditional Set Dance (11/11/05). Where Option B is used, all three rounds will be offered as trophy dance instead of Preliminary Solos.

Open Championships: Open to dancers who have previously won three (3) first place Preliminary Championships with 5 or more dancers. Option B: 48 bars of Reel OR 40 bars of Slip Jig, AND 48 bars of Treble Jig OR 40 bars of Hornpipe, AND a Non-Traditional Set Dance except for the U8/U9 age groups who will dance a Traditional Set Dance. (11/11/05). Where Option B is used, all three rounds will be offered as a trophy dance instead of Open Solos. (05/31/02)

Adult Championship: Open to dancers aged 18 and over, who have not competed in non-adult competitions (also known as youth/&over categories) for solo or team events during the previous five (5) years.

Advanced Adult Championship: Open to dancers aged 18 and over, who have previously placed in the top 3 of a Preliminary Championship or competed in Open Championship levels in the youth/&over levels, regardless of when the competitor was active. An Advanced Adult dancer has opted to leave the youth/&over categories, and once the dancer begins competing in Advanced Adult the dancer may not return to the youth/&over categories.



NOTE: Teachers with Adult dancers are strongly advised to consult the IDTANA Handbook for all rules related to adult dancing and competitions.

6. Dancers may only dance solo grade level dances once in a feis. Dancers entered in First Feis competitions may also dance in beginner for those dances.
7. In Figure dancing, 50% of a team may be moved to a higher age group to complete a figure - unless the Feis Committee has granted special permission. All Ceili dances must be performed in accordance with the Official book "An Rince Foirne".
8. A competition may be cancelled or combined with a higher age group if there are less than five (5) entries. If the entry is 40 or higher, the competition will be split.
9. Dancers should be in the hall 60 minutes before the scheduled time of their competition.
10. All dancers must be in costume, complete with shoes and number to receive any award onstage.
11. Under no circumstances are the adjudicators or the musicians to be approached during the feis. The decision of the adjudicator is final.
12. No steel taps or bubble heels allowed. Shoes may be subject to inspection by adjudicators. Costumes must be in accordance with the IDTANA and An Coimisiun guidelines.
13. The feis committee, the WCIDTA, its parent bodies, and the venue, are not responsible for personal injury, property loss or damage during an event.
14. Protest against breach of rules will be considered if made in writing and signed by the objector. The objection must also be accompanied with a \$25 fee and reach the committee before prizes are presented. If the complaint is justified, the \$25 fee will be refunded.
15. Competitors may only compete in a Trophy competition OR a Championship, but not both. Specials (i.e. Treble Reel, Slip Jig) do not apply.
16. Any form of unauthorized 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, commercial film, with or without enhancement, is expressly forbidden in competition.



17. The Feis Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry.
18. Dancers shall advance in each individual solo dance as follows (06/15/01):

Number of Dancers in the Competition	Placing(s) that move dancer(s) to the next level
<5	no placing advances
5 – 9	1 st place moves up
10 – 19	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd move up
20 – 29	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th move up
30 or more	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th , 5 th move up

19. Dancers shall advance in Trophy competitions and Championship as follows:
- A dancer who wins two first place trophies in Beginner/Advanced Beginner Trophy advances to Novice/Prizewinner Trophy, or:
 - A dancer who advances to Novice or Prizewinner for the majority of their solo levels (hard shoes in particular) automatically advances to the Novice/Prizewinner Trophy.
 - A dancer who wins two first place trophies in a Novice/Prizewinner Trophy dance competition advances to Preliminary Championships.
 - A dancer who wins three (3) first place Preliminary Championships advances to Open Championships. (09/01/24)
20. All feis committees must award a minimum of 30% of competitors in Preliminary and Open Championships. (11/01/02)
21. Shiny plastic number cards should not be used. (11/06/03)

All other Feis rules as per An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha, the IDTANA and the WCIDTA.

