

Ireland's North West Championships 2022

DATE

Sunday 2nd October 2022

VENUE

The Vale Centre
Clooney Road
Greysteel
BT47 3GE

ADJUDICATORS

Rachel Corr – Ulster
Anne Reid – Ulster
Lorraine Scallon – Ulster

MUSICIAN

Kevin Conway

ENTRIES OPEN

9.00am Monday 5th September 2022

DOOR ADMISSION: £5 on the day

Welcome Letter

Dear Teachers, Parents and Dancers,

We would like to welcome you to the ***Ireland's Northwest Championships 2022!***

Please note we have changed the syllabus **for this year only**. There will be no Open Championships for 2022 due to circumstances beyond our control.

We ask all Championships winners from 2021 to please return your perpetual trophies by 2nd October 2022.

This year we are going to highlight our Preliminary dancers by giving them a Championships of their own were trophies and sashes will be awarded.

Bun, Tus and Mean Grad will have at least one trophy dance in all age groups.

Entries will only be accepted from registered CLRG teachers, via email to ashleennicell@gmail.com.

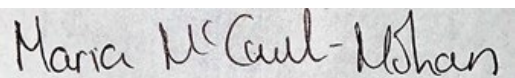
Sterling payment via PayPal only (family and friends) to dionnemcafferty@hotmail.co.uk, Feis Secretary. Please state when sending payment the name of Dance School. Only when payment has been received, will entry be confirmed.

There will be a canteen on the day, open to everyone.

We look forward to your support. Thank you.

Elizabeth and Tara

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LIST OF PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS AND REQUIRED DANCES

	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	TOP 3
Under 9 Under 10 Under 11 (Alternating)	Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Parade of Champions will take place after Result
Under 12 12-14 Over 14 (Alternating)	Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Parade of Champions will take place after Result

GRADES

Under 5 Ungraded	Reel	Light Jig		Light Trophy Dance	
Bun Grad Under 6 & Under 7	Reel	Single Jig	Light Jig	Light Trophy Dance	
Bun Grad Under 8 Under 9	Reel	Single/Slip Jig	L/H Jig	Trophy Trad Set	Light Trophy Dance
Bun Grad Under 11 Under 12 12-14 Over 14	Reel	Single/Slip Jig	L/H Jig	Trophy Trad Set	Light Trophy Dance

Tus Grad Under 7 Under 8 Under 9 Under 10 Under 11 Under 12 12-14 Over 14	Reel	Single/Slip Jig	L/H Jig	Trophy Trad Set	Light Trophy Dance
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Mean Grad Under 6 Under 7 Under 8	Reel	Single/Slip Jig	L/H Jig	Trophy Trad Set	Light Trophy Dance	Hornpipe (Under 8 ONLY)
Mean Grad Under 9 Under 10 Under 11 Under 12 12 - 14 Over 14	Reel	Slip Jig	Heavy Jig	Hornpipe	Trophy Trad Set	Light Trophy Dance

ENTRY FEE:

Preliminary Championships - £25 (includes overall result and 2 solos)

Bun, Tus and Mean Solo Dances - £5

Trophy Dances - £6

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

9.30am	Platform A	Platform B	Platform C
Bun Grad Tus Grad Mean Grad	Under 9	Under 10	Under 11

Followed by Preliminary Championships

12noon	Under 5 Ungraded
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1.00pm	Platform A	Platform B	Platform C
Bun Grad Tus Grad Mean Grad	Under 6	Under 7	Under 8

2.00pm	Platform A	Platform B	Platform C
Bun Grad Tus Grad Mean Grad	Under 12	12-14	Over 14

Followed by Preliminary Championships

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FEIS RULES

Competition Rules:

1. No refunds except in the case that the event does not run.
2. Entries only accepted from teachers registered with An Coimisiun le Rince Gaelacha.
3. The adjudicator's decision is final
4. Age taken as at 1st January 2022
5. Competitors in Bun Grad and Tus Grad, up to and including Under 12 age group, may only wear traditional class costumes or long/short sleeved blouses/shirts & skirt/trousers, polo tops & skirt/trousers, body suits & skirts or tunics that confirm to the regular costume length rule. Low-cut tops and short tight skirts are not permitted.
6. Make-up (including false eyelashes and face-tan) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group.
7. Make-up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades (Bun Grad & Tus Grad or equivalent) up to and including the Under 12 age group worldwide.
8. 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.
9. Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn. Undergarments must provide full coverage (as per illustration on www.clrg.ie). 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 adjudicators on the panel must agree to ask the dancer to put on tights.
10. Bun Grad competitions are confined to competitors who at the time of entry have never won 1st place (or being graded as per below) in that particular dance in any age group or grade. Basic Steps only are permitted in Bun Grad.
11. Tus Grad confined to dancers who have never won 1st place (or being graded as per below) for that particular dance in any age in Tus Grad, Mean Grad or Ard Grad. Dancers may perform either basic steps or their first hard/difficult version of each dance. Steps in Tus Grad Heavy Jigs and Hornpipe must be similar to those used in St. Patrick's Day and Blackbird.

12. In Bun and Tus Grad competitions, one dancer moves up to the next grade if there is less than 20 competitors, two dancers move up if there are between 21 and 40 competitors and three dancers move up if there is over 40 competitors.
13. Mean Grad competitions are confined to dancers who at the time of entry never won 1st place for that particular dance in Mean or Ard Grad in that age group or a higher age group.
14. A Prelim Championship must be adjudicated by 3 or more adjudicators and must consist of 2 rounds, 1 Light Round – Reel/ Slip Jig and 1 Heavy Round – Heavy Jig/Hornpipe. Prelim Championships may run as a ‘stand-alone’ competition or may be incorporated into the Open Championships. Dancers may compete in an Open or a Prelim or both.
15. To be eligible to compete in a Prelim Championships:
 Dancers must not have placed in the top 3 in an Open Championships judged by 3 or more adjudicators. Dancers must not have won a Prelim Championships more than 2 times in the current year, HOWEVER, if there are 5 or less in a prelim Competition the dancer is till eligible to compete in Prelim.
 Dancers must not have qualified for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne in the current year or previous year. Dancers must not have recalled in the actual Championship at Oireachtas Rince na hEireann in the current year or previous year.
 Dancers having won 2 Prelim Championships may not compete in any mean Grad competition for the remainder of the year, HOWEVER, if a dancer has only won one Prelim Championship they may continue to compete in Mean Grad (with the exception of the dances that they have won the Prelim Championships with). Dancers who qualify for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne where there are five dancers or less in the competition at their Regional Oireachtas are exempt from this ruling. They may remain in the Prelim Championships if they so wish.
- Boys who have qualified for the Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne, but were not placed in the top 3 at their Regional Oireachtas and who otherwise fulfil the Prelim Criteria, may continue to compete in Prelim Grade.
16. BUN GRAD:
 Reel 122-124, Light Jig 116, Single Jig 124, Slip Jig 124, Heavy Jig 96, Hornpipe 144 TUS GRAD:
 Reel 116-118, Light Jig 116, Single Jig 124, Slip Jig 120, Heavy Jig 82, Hornpipe 130
 MEAN.ARD GRAD:
 Reel 113, Light Jig 116, Sing Jig 124, Slip Jig 113, Heavy Jig 73, Hornpipe 113
 TRADITIONAL SET DANCES:
 St Patrick’s Day 94, The Blackbird 144, Job of Journeywork 138, Garden of Daisies 138, King of the Fairies 130, Three Sea Captains 96 or Jockey to the Fair 90.

17. All competitors will be required to dance a MINIMUM number of 40 bars, except it he Slip Jig, Hornpipe & Bun Grad Reel where a MINIMUM number of 32 bars will be required

Other Rules:

18. 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 camera, with or without flash enhancement, is forbidden during competition.

19. Any parent who would not like their child to appear in photos taken by the feis committee should make the feis organiser aware prior to results being announced.

20. Changing of costumes, dressing or undressing is not permitted in the halls or public areas.

21. No black, en point, stationery or moving will be allowed for all ages up to and including Under 12. However, dancers who will be competing in the 12-13 age group in the following year, will be exempt from this rule from 1st September.

22. The feis committee will not accept any responsibility for personal injuries or articles lost at the feis.

23. The feis committee reserves the right to transfer competitions/results to a different stage or to alternate competitions if it becomes necessary in order to help the feis run smoothly. The committee reserves the right to use a relief adjudicator.

24. The feis committee reserve the right to refuse feis entries or entrance into the feis.

25. The Child Protection Designated Liason Officer for the Ulster region is Paula Bell. If you have any concerns for any child's safety at the event, please contact her:
CPDLOUlster@gmail.com.