

*The North West Teachers & Adjudicators Association in conjunction with
The North West Regional Council is proud to announce*

30th British National Championships

Friday 19th to Sunday 21st July 2019

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*Southport Theatre & Convention Centre
The Promenade, Southport, PR9 0DZ*

Adjudicators - Moltóiri

Bernard Hynes	ADCRG	Leinster, Ireland
Don McCarron	ADCRG	Ulster, Ireland
Jonathan McMorrow	ADCRG	Connacht, Ireland
Julie Loughlin	ADCRG	SE Region, UK
Lorraine Duggan	ADCRG	Munster, Ireland
Mairead Ni Bhriain- Ui Ruairc	ADCRG	Munster, Ireland
Patricia Kennelly	ADCRG	Western Region, USA
Patricia Scanlon	ADCRG	Midlands, UK
Tracey Taaffe	ADCRG	Ulster, Ireland

Musicians - Ceoltóiri

Aidan O'Neill	England
Brian O'Sullivan	Scotland
Dean Crouch	England
Gerry Conlon	Scotland
Martin Daly	Scotland
Seamus O'Sullivan	Scotland

Cláráithe leis An Choimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha

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TEACHER ENQUIRIES:

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ENTRY FEES

TRADITIONAL SET DANCE COMPETITION	£5 PER DANCER
SOLO CHAMPIONSHIPS (includes a set of Marks)	£55 PER DANCER
CEILI CHAMPIONSHIPS (£40.00 PER TEAM)	£5 PER DANCER
FAMILY MAXIMUM (Siblings ONLY)	£150.00

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS MONDAY 3rd JUNE 2019

DOOR ENTRY

- 1 DAY ENTRY IS £15.00 PER ADULT - £5.00 FOR CONCESSIONS
- 2 DAY ENTRY IS £25.00 PER ADULT - £5.00 FOR CONCESSIONS
- 3 DAY ENTRY IS £35.00 PER ADULT - £5.00 FOR CONCESSIONS

CONTACT INFORMATION & SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS

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Entry & Advertising Enquiries: desilke648@icloud.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/britishnationalchampionships

Website: www.britishnationals.com

Syllabus and Entry Pack : www.instepfm.com/BN2019.html

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REQUIRED DANCES

CODE	NAME	YEAR OF BIRTH	ENTRY FEE	TRAD SET	ROUND 1	ROUND 2	ROUND 3
				CODE			
7 M	U7 MIXED	2012	£55.00	8TS	REEL	SINGLE JIG	LIGHT JIG
8 G	U 8 GIRLS	2011	£55.00	8TS	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
9 G	U 9 GIRLS	2010	£55.00	10TS	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
10 G	U 10 GIRLS	2009	£55.00	10TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
11 G	U 11 GIRLS	2008	£55.00	12TS	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
12 G	U 12 GIRLS	2007	£55.00	12TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
13 G	U 13 GIRLS	2006	£55.00	14TS	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
14 G	U 14 GIRLS	2005	£55.00	14TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
15 G	U 15 GIRLS	2004	£55.00	16TS	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
16 G	U 16 GIRLS	2003	£55.00	16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
17 G	U 17 GIRLS	2002	£55.00	O16TS	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
18 L	U 18 LADIES	2001	£55.00	O16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
19 L	U 19 LADIES	2000	£55.00	O16TS	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
20 L	U 20 LADIES	1999	£55.00	O16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
22 L	20 & U22 LADIES	1998 & 1997	£55.00	O16TS	HEAVY JIG	SLIP JIG	OPEN SET
SL	OVER 22 LADIES	1996 OR EARLIER	£55.00	O16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
8 B	U 8 BOYS	2011	£55.00	8TS	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
9 B	U 9 BOYS	2010	£55.00	10TS	REEL	HEAVY JIG	TRAD SET
10 B	U 10 BOYS	2009	£55.00	10TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
11 B	U 11 BOYS	2008	£55.00	12TS	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
12 B	U 12 BOYS	2007	£55.00	12TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
13 B	U 13 BOYS	2006	£55.00	14TS	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
14 B	U 14 BOYS	2005	£55.00	14TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
15 B	U 15 BOYS	2004	£55.00	16TS	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
16 B	U 16 BOYS	2003	£55.00	16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
17 B	U 17 BOYS	2002	£55.00	O16TS	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
18 M	U 18 MEN	2001	£55.00	O16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
19 M	U 19 MEN	2000	£55.00	O16TS	HEAVY JIG	REEL	OPEN SET
20 M	U 20 MEN	1999	£55.00	O16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET
SM	OVER 20 MEN	1998 OR EARLIER	£55.00	O16TS	HORNPIPE	REEL	OPEN SET

CEILI AGE GROUPS - U10 - U12 - U15 - U18 Ladies - O18 Ladies - O15 Mixed - Ceili dances to be taken from Ár Rinci Ceili - PART A OR PART B MAY BE DANCED.

FAMILY MAXIMUM (siblings ONLY) - £150.00

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TRADITIONAL SET DANCE AGE GROUPS

CODE	NAME	YEAR OF BIRTH	ENTRY FEE	COMP DAY
8TS	UNDER 8 MIXED	2011 OR LATER	£5.00	SATURDAY
10TS	UNDER 10 MIXED	2009 - 2010	£5.00	SATURDAY
12TS	UNDER 12 MIXED	2007 - 2008	£5.00	SATURDAY
14TS	UNDER 14 MIXED	2005 - 2006	£5.00	SUNDAY
16TS	UNDER 16 MIXED	2003 - 2004	£5.00	SUNDAY
O16TS	OVER 16 MIXED	2002 OR EARLIER	£5.00	FRIDAY

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Teachers Reception

Saturday 20th July 2019

Venue & time to be confirmed

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BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - FRIDAY 19th TO SUNDAY 21st JULY 2019
PROVISIONAL DAYS - SUBJECT TO ENTRIES

BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - FRIDAY 19th JULY 2019

UNDER 16 BOYS
UNDER 17 BOYS & GIRLS
UNDER 18 LADIES & MEN
UNDER 19 LADIES & MEN
UNDER 20 LADIES & MEN
UNDER 22 LADIES
SENIOR MEN O/20
SENIOR LADIES O/22

OVER 16 MIXED TRADITIONAL SET DANCE COMPETITION

BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - SATURDAY 20th JULY 2019

UNDER 7 MIXED
UNDER 8 GIRLS & BOYS
UNDER 9 GIRLS & BOYS
UNDER 10 BOYS & GIRLS
UNDER 11 BOYS & GIRLS
UNDER 12 GIRLS & BOYS
UNDER 13 BOYS
UNDER 14 BOYS
UNDER 15 BOYS

UNDER 8 MIXED TRADITIONAL SET DANCE COMPETITION
UNDER 10 MIXED TRADITIONAL SET DANCE COMPETITION
UNDER 12 MIXED TRADITIONAL SET DANCE COMPETITION

BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - SUNDAY 21st JULY 2019

UNDER 13 GIRLS
UNDER 14 GIRLS
UNDER 15 GIRLS
UNDER 16 GIRLS

UNDER 14 MIXED TRADITIONAL SET DANCE COMPETITION
UNDER 16 MIXED TRADITIONAL SET DANCE COMPETITION

U10, U12 & U15 GIRLS CEILI - U10, U12 & U15 MIXED CEILI
U18 & SENIOR LADIES CEILI - OVER 15 MIXED CEILI

CHANGES TO PROVSIONAL DAYS MAY OCCUR SUBJECT TO ENTRIES RECEIVED

PLEASE CHECK WWW.INSTEPFM.COM FOR FINAL TIMETABLE PUBLICATION ON 1st JULY 2019

Lodgement of Entries

- 1 The website for lodgement of entries is - www.instepfm.com. The website provides clear instructions on how to complete the ENTRY process. All entries must be lodged through this website and full payment made by the closing date of **Saturday 1st June 2019**.
- 2 Late entries will be accepted between 2nd June 2019 and 8th June 2019 at double the normal entry fee. **NOTE: No entries whatsoever will be taken if postmarked after 8th June 2019.**
- 3 Following lodgement through the website, an email confirming all entries submitted and the total fee payable will be sent to the teacher.
- 4 Payment must be received postmarked no later than 1st June 2019 for normal fees to apply. Failure to complete this procedure within the deadline will result in double fees being required to be paid for all entrants.
- 5 Payment must be sent to – Des Silke, 133 Hatfeild Mead, Morden, Surrey, SM4 5PG
- 6 Entries received after the final date will be treated as late and not accepted.
- 7 Members need to be aware that once entries are 'SUBMITTED' online they need to pay the amount on the confirmation email. If the amount on the confirmation email is not fully paid entries will not be accepted. There will be a facility to pay direct into the British National Championships bank account - this information will be provided with the confirmation of Entry.
- 8 It is the responsibility of the teacher to ensure that the entry as submitted on line is correct. When the confirmation email is received, names and dates of birth must be carefully checked. Spellings etc. as submitted by the teacher will be that which appears in the official programme.
- 9 Incomplete entries will not be accepted. All dancers' names must be submitted by the closing date.
- 10 **No refunds will be made for any entry money received.**
- 11 Entries to be paid by Sterling cheque or banker's draft, and only **ONE** cheque will be allowed per school entered. Further entries will be subject to a £10 administration fee per cheque, which must be submitted at the time of payment. It is the responsibility of the teacher to ensure that funds are available to cover all cheques. **Cheque to be made payable to "BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS."**
- 12 Should a cheque be refused by the bank, BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS ORGANISERS retain the right to refuse the entire entry and/or charge an administration fee of £10 to cover extra bank charges.

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2019 BRITISH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS - RULES OF THE COMPETITION

- 1 A dancer's age group will be determined as from 1st January 2019.
- 2 Entries will only be accepted from dancing teachers registered with An Coimisiún Le Rinci Gaelacha for the year 2018/2019 only.
- 3 The adjudicators' decision is final. Only members of the North West Teachers Association and those officially assisting them in the running of the championships may approach the adjudicators during competitions.
- 4 Complaints will only be accepted from registered teachers, in writing, and must be accompanied by a fee of £50.00, which may be refunded if the North West Teachers Association upholds said objection.
- 5 Teachers are advised that all details required on the entry forms must be completed. Entry forms received in contravention of this rule will be returned.
- 6 All competitors must be ready to dance 30 minutes prior to the published time. They must also report to the stage stewards promptly and dance in the prescribed order. Failure to report in time to dance in order will lead to disqualification. Competitors are strongly advised to check the timetable for last-minute changes to times or halls, both leading up to the event and on the day of competition.
- 7 In all rounds, the minimum speeds of music as laid down by An Coimisiún will apply.
- 8 The recall in solo championships will be as follows –
 - * Under 7, 8 & 9 – 100% Recall
 - * From Under 10 upwards - 50% recall of the number of dancers entered up to a maximum of 50 competitors.
 - * NW Teachers Association reserve the right to amend this percentage
- 9 The onus of ensuring that the stage steward is informed of the correct name and metronomic speed of the nominated open set dance will rest with the competitor.
 - * An incorrect metronomic speed submitted for an open set dance can only be changed prior to the commencement of the open set dance round.
 - * Introduction to open set dances will be played only once and no alteration in that speed of music will be permitted.
 - * Should a competitor commence dancing to an incorrect metronomic speed submitted to the stage steward then that competitor must continue to dance at that speed as no further opportunity of tempo change will be afforded.
- 10 In the event of a mishap on stage, e.g. a heel or shoe coming off, the dancer should retire to the back of the stage and remain there, allowing the other dancer(s) to continue with their performance. If a dancer fails to comply with this direction and leaves the stage, then he/she will be deemed to have failed to complete the round and will be eliminated from the championship
- 11 Should a dancer fall and the stage situation be that he/she inhibits the performance or safety of other dancers on stage, the bell will be rung and the group will be permitted to dance again. Should the fall happen in the last 16 bars of the dance then the dancer/s will be required to redance the last 16 bars only.
- 12 If a competitor sustains injury or illness during the course of a competition, and the organisers have reason to believe that such an illness or injury could be exacerbated by continued participation, he/she will be advised to retire from the competition. If this advice is ignored, then prior to continuation, the dancer (or in the case of a child or young person (5 to 17 years) an appropriate adult) will be required to sign a disclaimer form, which will be retained in the event of a possible future enquiry.
- 13 Any competitors found to be using artificial carriage aids will be requested to remove same. In the case of refusal, disqualification will follow. In the case of medical apparatus, this will be permitted upon the production of a letter from a medical practitioner or other documentary evidence in support, to prove authenticity and the requirement for the aid to be used or worn.

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- 14 Any form of unauthorised photography which has the capability of capturing 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 during competitions. Photographs taken at awards ceremonies are permitted. However, these must be for your own use, and not for public display purposes unless permission has been obtained
- 15 The rules of An Coimisiún Le Rinci Gaelacha as regards standards of dress must be adhered to in public areas of the venue; discretion must be exerted when dancers are changing for competitions. Changing areas will be provided.
- 16 Dancers taking part in results ceremonies will not be permitted to go onto stage to receive any award unless in full costume and wearing **black dance shoes**.
- 17 All dancers deserve the same respect and ovation on completion of their performance. Excessive and unique verbal celebrations will not be tolerated on completion of a performance.
- 18 All cups and shields are perpetual awards. These are the responsibility of the holder for the relevant year, who is responsible for loss and any damage not previously reported. Such cups and shields must be returned in good time for the corresponding competitions this year.
- 19 With respect to team competitions, please refer to the rules in the An Coimisiún syllabus for Oireachtas Rince Na Cruinne 2018.
- 20 The NW Teachers Association have made every effort to ensure that the stages are of the correct specification in design and structure, taking into account health and safety issues. All stages are covered with Harlequin flooring. By entering the championships, competitors accept this statement, and neither the NW Teachers Association or Southport Theatre & Convention Centre can't be held liable for any incident or event which could not be reasonably foreseen.
- 21 In the event of a dispute not covered by any of the rules of these championship, reference will be made to the Rules of An Coimisiún, appertaining to the issue or matter in dispute.

Performance related rules.

- 22 In all heavy dances the lead-round must be danced on both right and left feet.
- 23 Competitors will dance the following :
U7 - 40 bars in reel, single jig and light jig (all 3 dances must be danced) U8 & U9 - 40 bars in reel and 40 bars in heavy jig and Traditional Set Dance (all 3 dances must be danced).
U10 – Senior - 48 bars in the reel and heavy Jig, 40 bars in the slip jig and hornpipe
- 24 A dancer who fails to dance or complete rounds one or two of a championship will receive **ZERO** marks from all Adjudicators for that round, and will not feature in the recall. Where there is 100% recall the competitor will be allowed to dance the third round as a courtesy, but will not appear in the final result. This includes competitors who do not complete the correct amount of bars by starting either before or after the 8 bar introduction.
- 25 A competitor who fails to dance or complete the open set dance round will receive **ZERO** marks from all championship adjudicators for that round and will not appear in the final result. This includes Competitors who do not complete the correct amount of bars by starting either before or after the 8 bar introduction.

General Conduct

- 26 Your attention is drawn to the legal position with regard to smoking in public places or buildings in England. Southport Theatre and Convention Centre is designated as such a public place, and smoking is therefore forbidden in all parts of the building. It is further recommended that hair spray and similar cosmetic or hygienic spray substances should not be used in the public area(s) within the venue.
- 27 In the event of unacceptable behaviour in the venue on the part of any member of the Irish dancing community, for the duration of the Championships, Southport Theatre and Convention Centre management reserve the right to deal with those who are responsible in accordance with their policies appertaining to such situations. The North West Teachers Association will support such action with regard to unacceptable behaviour.

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Base Hotel: Bliss Hotel Southport, The Promenade, Southport, PR9 ODZ

Website: <https://www.wyndhamhotels.com/en-uk/trademark>

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Vendors

To be advised

Tabulation

Des Silke of Instep Feis Management will be in attendance and will be providing a full championship results service.

Recall information

There will be a 100% Recall in the Under 7 Mixed Championship, Under 8 Boys and Girls and Under 9 Boys and Girls Open Championships. From Under 10 upwards there will be a 100% recall if 20 dancers or less, 50% recall if there are 21 or more dancers.

Travel Information - Airports

Liverpool, John Lennon Airport L24 1YD is 32 miles from the venue.

Manchester Airport M90 1QX is 45 miles from the venue (Direct Trains to Southport from the airport).

Travel Information - Train Station

Nearest train station is Southport, PR8 1BE which is 1 mile from the venue. There is a taxi rank at the station.