

# THE SEAMUS AND MARIE MOORE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Celebrating our Golden Anniversary  
50 Years!!!!

**15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

Sir Frederic Osborn School  
Herns Lane  
Welwyn Garden City  
Hertfordshire  
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Dear Teachers, dancers, parents and pupils

Welcome to The Golden Anniversary of The Seamus and Marie Moore Memorial Feis (originally The Bedford Feis)!

The Sir Frederic Osborn School is home to a large Championship hall with stage, Sports Hall, Gymnasium and a separate results area. As we have plenty of outdoor space too we will be having a BBQ and an Ice Cream Van for you to enjoy whilst waiting for results!

To celebrate our golden anniversary there will be plenty of treats in store for all of the competitors...keep checking our Facebook page for updates! All results will be posted on this page too as soon as they have been announced.

Following on from last years success we are again having **panels of 5 for all championships** from U8 Upwards. Preliminary championships will be adjudicated by panels of 3. In all competitions with 15 or more dancers there will be a recall of 50% (U10 upwards).

**Saturday – All Championships, Grades U5-U9 & U9 Preliminary. O21 Grade Competitions**  
**Sunday – U10 – O16 Preliminary & Grades**

Our awards will also be of their usual high standard:

**1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> trophies in all grades regardless of numbers entered**

**1<sup>st</sup> place sash in all grade reel and heavy jig competitions**

**All dancers placed in the reel and light jig competitions**

**1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> Trophies and sashes In all championship and preliminary championships.**

Medals will be awarded in accordance with the minimum requirements as laid down by the Southern England Regional Council:

2 medal where there is 5 OR less competitors

4 medals where there are 6-10 competitors

7 medals where there are 11-20 competitors

10 medals where there are 21-30 competitors

14 medals where there are 31- 40 competitors

and 1 medal for each additional 5 or part of 5 competitors

We look forward to welcoming you all back to the Seamus and Marie Moore Feis and to help us celebrate our Golden Anniversary!

John & Phyllis Brooks

Ciaron Brooks ADCRG, Sinead Brooks ADCRG, Aislinn Brooks TCRG, Majella Brooks TCRG, Ian Boyd ADCRG

### **Adjudicators**

David Moore ADCRG	Ulster
Alison Quigley ADCRG	Ulster
Cheryl Nolan ADCRG	Connacht
Anthony Costello ADCRG	Munster
Brian Gerraghty ADCRG	Connacht
Maria Stanley ADCRG	Midlands
Richard Griffin ADCRG	Southern England (Saturday only)
Maggie Lynch ADCRG	Southern England (Saturday only)
Stephen McAteer ADCRG	Southern England (Saturday only)
Lisa Waites ADCRG	Southern England (Saturday only)

### **Musicians**

Majella Collins Brooks	Southern England
Dean Crouch	Southern England
Anthony Davis	Midlands

### **Entry Fees**

Solo Grades	£4.50
Premier U5, U6 & U7 (must compete in 2 solos)	£12.00
Preliminary Championship (including 2 solos)	£23.00
Open Championship (including 2 solos)	£25.00
Ceili / Figure	£4.00 per dancer
Maximum per child	£40.00
Family Fee (2 dancers)	£60.00
Family Fee (3 or more dancers)	£65.00
Door Entry (Payable at the gate)	£5.00 per adult
2 day pass	£8.00 per adult

Closing date for entries will be Monday 3rd July. Entries with fees will be accepted up until Friday 14th July along with the late fee of £2. All entries received and paid on the day will be subject to a £5 late fee.

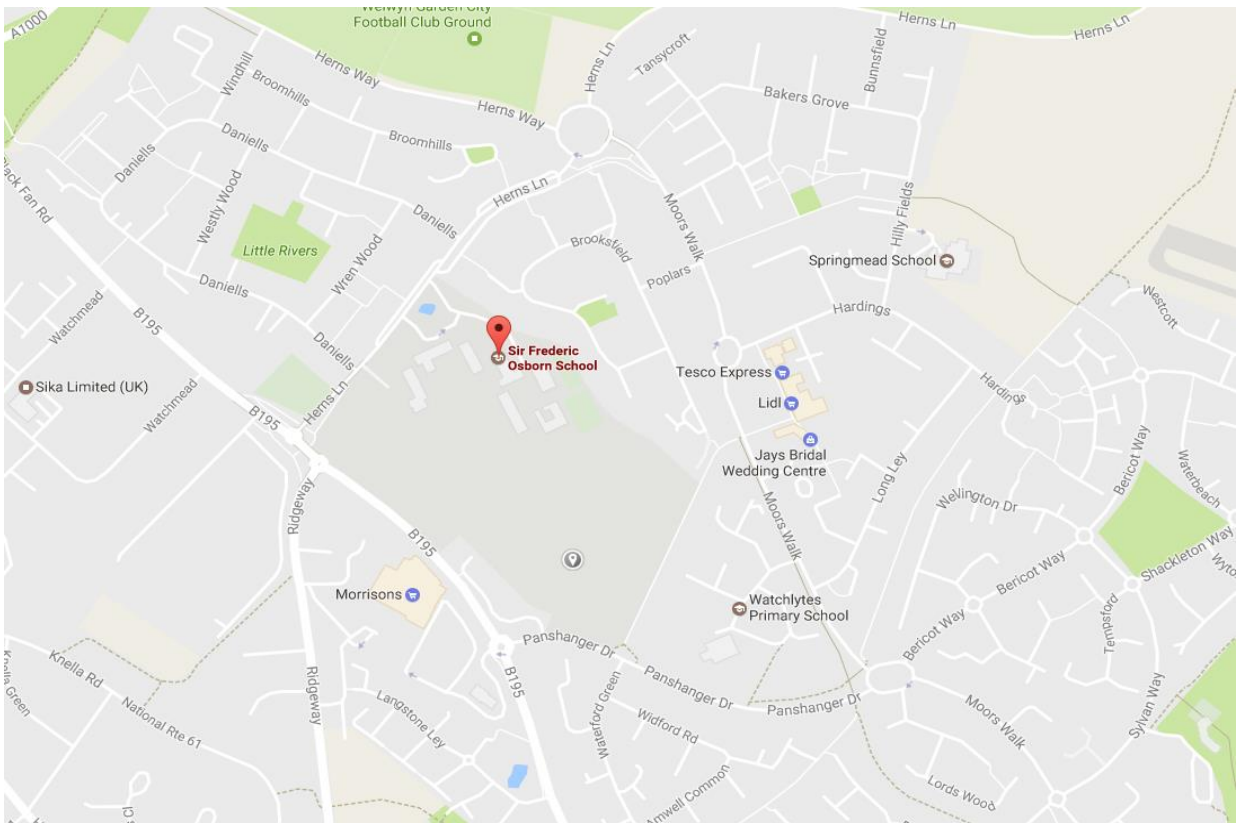
Entries should be sent to the Feis Secretary :  
Mrs Phyllis Brooks  
18 Normandy Avenue, Barnet, Herts, EN5 2jA

All enquiries to :  
Sinead Brooks ADCRG [sineadbrooks@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sineadbrooks@yahoo.co.uk) or 07973184619 (Teachers only)

### Location

The school is easily accessible from all major motorways and train stations:

M25	15 Minutes
A1m	5 Minutes
Luton Airport	20 minutes
Stansted Airport	1 hour
Welwyn Garden City Train Station	5 minutes



The base hotel for the Feis is :

The Novotel Stevenage  
Knebworth Park  
Stevenage  
SG1 2AX  
020 7 660 0687

£80 double room B&B, £90 family room B&B

The hotel is approx. 10 minutes by car from the venue.

## Rules

1. Lodgment of entries implies that you acknowledge and accept all of the Rules of An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and the Southern England Regional Council plus the additional rules listed below, relating to the Feis.
2. Entries will only be accepted from Schools registered with An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha and entry forms must be signed by the registered teacher. Entries with no fee will not be processed or acknowledged.
3. New entries may be taken on the day of the Feis in line with SERC late entry rule.
4. Ages to be taken from **1st January 2017**
5. All competitors may be required to produce their birth certificate / passport as proof of age.
6. Competitors must dance in their own age group for solo competitions except where there is no competition in their age group for that particular dance. Dancers cannot compete in a younger age group.
7. All decisions of the Adjudicators are **FINAL**.
8. Committee members only may approach the Adjudicators.
9. ALL Grade Competitions are OPEN to all Regions.
10. Competitors may only dance each dance in one grade
11. Where there are five or less competitors in a competition, results will not affect their grading.
12. In all Heavy dances the lead around must be danced on both the right and left foot.
13. A Novice is a dancer who has not gained a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in a Novice Grade competition or any medal in a higher grade for that particular dance.
14. The basic step rule will apply to all Novice competitions as per the Southern England Regional Council.
15. The Primary Grade is for dancers who have not won a 1st or 2nd place for that particular dance in any Age Group.
16. All Novice and Primary dancers may only wear a class costume, simple dancewear or appropriate attire (skirt & top or simple dress for girls and trousers, shorts and t-shirt or shirt for boys) in competitions up to and including the Under 12 Age Group. Make-up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades up to and including the Under 12 age group Worldwide. Failure to comply with this rule may lead to disqualification from the competition.
17. The Intermediate Grade is for dancers who have not won a 1st place for that particular dance in a particular Age Group, or who has not won a Premier competition, Preliminary Championships or Open Championship.
18. Intermediate competitors can dance their grade dances and either the Preliminary or Open Championship.
20. If a dancer wins ONE Preliminary Championship from 1st January, they are no longer eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship for the remainder of that year or the following calendar year.
21. A dancer is not eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship if they have been placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open Championship from 1st January in the previous year or within the current calendar year.
22. Once a dancer qualifies for Oireachtas Na Cruinne, they must not enter a Preliminary Championship. They may not compete in Preliminary Championships in the year that they are eligible to dance at Oireachtas Na Cruinne, and the following calendar year.
23. Dancers, who qualify for Oireachtas Na Cruinne, are an exception to the rule where they may have automatically qualified due to low entry levels at their Regional Oireachtas. These dancers may remain in the Preliminary grade, if they so wish, until such time they win out of the grade.
24. Competitors can only dance in either Preliminary or Open Championship; they may not compete in both.
25. If a dancer wins a Preliminary Championship where there were 5 or fewer dancers in the competition, the dancer will still be eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship.
26. Competitions may be combined at the Feis Organisers discretion if only one competitor is entered.
27. The points above apply when a dancer competes from Under 10 & upwards. A dancer, who has been placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Open Championship in the age groups below Under 10, will be eligible to compete in Preliminary Championships. (Teachers are advised / requested to use their own discretion)
28. A Panel of five Adjudicators will judge all Championships from Under 8 upwards
29. An Coimisiun has ruled that from 1st January of each year, that no block, en pointe, stationary or moving be allowed to be performed for all ages up to and including the under 12 age group Worldwide. The Under 12 Age Group will be allowed to Toe Walk from 1st September.
30. The Feis Organiser must provide Non-Slip flooring for every dance surface, however the Feis Organiser cannot accept any liability for injury sustained whilst dancing.
31. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove same will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed apparatus, proof of which may be required, will be exempt from this ruling
32. In order to comply with the health and safety measures, all dancers lining up side stage prior to any round of a competition will be required to perform the simple exercise of raising arms to shoulder level unhindered. If unable to do this due to costume stitching or any arm attachments by the time of their rotation will not be permitted to perform
33. Make-up Rules (4.5 in CLRG Rule Book) 4.5.2 Make-up (including false eyelashes) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group (POINT OF CLARIFICATION) For the purposes of this rule the term "Make-up" includes tinted moisturiser and any artificial tanning products. An Coimisiun hopes that teachers and parents will interpret and apply this rule in the spirit in which it is intended
34. Dancers must be properly attired throughout the whole competition and must be in full costume and appropriate footwear when receiving awards. No changing allowed in competition areas.
35. 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, cine recorder, commercial film, with or without flash enhancement, **is expressly forbidden in ALL competition.**
36. Photographs taken at awards ceremonies are permitted, however these must be for your own use and not used for public display purposes, unless permission has been obtained.
37. Any competition can be moved to another hall at the discretion of the Feis Secretary.
38. All Championship cups are perpetual and recipients will be responsible for any loss or damage and for the safe return in adequate time to be presented to subsequent winners.
39. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children, at all times, whilst attending the Feis.
40. The Feis Organiser accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to personal property.
41. No Smoking, eating or drinking in any of the halls, except in designated areas.
42. Objections against any breach of the above rules must be made in writing, and signed, to the Feis Secretary and accompanied by a fee of £25.00, which will be refunded if the objection is upheld. If parents have any constructive comments to make about any aspect of Feiseanna, these would be welcomed by the council and should be put in writing. It should be noted that anonymous correspondence cannot be dealt with.

Age	Novice (Bun)	Primary (Tus)	Intermediate (Mean)	Open (Ard)
U5 (Ungraded) U6 U7	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe Premier Open Set
U8	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe TSD Championship
U9 U10 U11 U12 U13	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Preliminary (Inc 2 solos) Championship (Inc 3 solos)
U14 14-16 Over 16		Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Slip Jig Hop Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	
U14 U15 U16				Preliminary (Inc 2 solos) Championship (Inc3 solos)
Over 16				Preliminary (Inc 2 solos)
U17 U18 U20 Over 20				Championship (Inc 3 solos)

**Adult Grade Solos O21**

Novice ,Primary & Intermediate  
Reel, Light Jig, Slip Jig, Hop Jig, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe TSD

**U6 & U7 dancers must enter and dance a minimum of 2 solo dances to be eligible to compete in the Premier**

**Ceili & Figure Competitions**

U11, 11-13 – 13-16 Over 16  
Humours of Bandon, Fairy Reel, Ceili Championship, Figure Championship, Any Progressive Dance

## Premiers / Championships

Age	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3
U5 Mixed	Reel	Light Jig	
U6 Mixed	Reel	Light Jig	(Premier)
U7 Mixed	Reel	Light Jig	(Premier)
U8 Mixed	Heavy Jig	TSD	Reel
U9 Mixed	Heavy Jig	TSD	Reel
U10 Girls	Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
U11 Girls	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
9-11 Boys	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
U12 Girls	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U13 Girls	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
11-13 Boys	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
U14 Girls	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U15 Girls	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
13-15 Boys	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
U16 Girls	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U17 Girls	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
15-17 Boys	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
U18 Ladies	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
18-20 Ladies	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
Over 20 Ladies	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
Over 17 Men	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set

## Preliminary Championships

Age	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3
U9	Heavy Jig	TSD	Reel
U10 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U11 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U12 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U13 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U14 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U15 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
U16 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set
O16 Mixed	Heavy / Hornpipe	Reel / Slip Jig	Open Set

**U6 – U9 Will dance 40 bars. U10 – Senior Championships 40 bars in Heavy Jig & Reel, 32 bars in Hornpipe & Slip Jig. These are minimum requirements and subject to change on the day.**