

# McElvogue Academy

of Irish Dance presents...



## The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual McElvogue Trainer Feis Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018

### Venue:

Brinkburn CIO  
Harton Lane  
South Shields  
NE34 0PJ

### Adjudicators:

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| Gerard Stack ADCRG        | Limerick, Ireland  |
| Maggie Lynch ADCRG        | London, England    |
| Christine Forde ADCRG     | Cork, Ireland      |
| Majella McEntegart ADCRG  | Newry, Ireland     |
| Anne-Whelan Minogue ADCRG | Tipperary, Ireland |

### Musicians:

Martin Daly, Glasgow  
Gerry Conlon, Glasgow

Dear Teachers, Parents & Dancers,

Firstly, we would like to welcome you all back to the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual McElvogue Trainer Feis. We have decided to keep the format of our Feis the same as last years, i.e. a one day Feis, making it easier for families with children dancing in older age groups to travel.

Grade solo competitions will be held for Beginners, Primary & Intermediate sections (which are open to dancers from any region). Prelims & Championships will be held for ages Under 6+. In the graded solo Trophy Reel Competition we will be giving the top 5 dancers trophies, as we have always done in previous years, and the remainder of the children medals. All children will be placed in the Reel.

All dancers will be placed in the first two solo rounds of the Open/Preliminary Championships; this ensures that every entrant will go home with at least two medals. We have separate Boys Championships from Under 11 upwards, as long as we have 4 or more boys entered.

Due to last year's success, we will be providing 'Judges Comments' for each competitor that dances in the Prelim & Open Championships, these can be purchased inside the marks pack that will be sold in the Presentation Area after the results have been announced.

The canteen will be open from 8:30am, serving Bacon Sandwiches, Toasties, Curry, Hot Roast Beef Sandwiches, Jacket potatoes with a selection of hot and cold fillings, Tea, Coffee, and cold drinks.

We have great Adjudicators and Musicians, as always, plus fantastic awards. We look forward to seeing you all there!


















Many thanks in advance for your ongoing support.


















**Lisa McElvogue**

**T.C.R.G**

The parents & pupils of the McElvogue Academy

## Rules Governing Féis

-  Entries with fees made payable to McElvogue-Trainer Account can be made by BACS McElvogue-Trainer Account 20-83-69 03126293 (one payment per school, quoting school name and number of entries) or Cheque and posted to Lisa McElvogue TCRG, 105 Hyde Street, South Shields, NE33 3LL on or before Friday, 4th May 2018. Tel 0789 9786019. Enquiries by e-mail to [McElvogueIrishDance@gmail.com](mailto:McElvogueIrishDance@gmail.com)
-  No entries will be accepted without fees.
-  All entries must be signed by a registered teacher and confirmed in writing along with appropriate fees.
-  Age to be taken from 1st January 2018.
-  The adjudicator's decision is final.
-  Beginner and Primary competitions are open to dancers from any region and dancers in these competitions must either be in class costume or skirt and top.
-  Beginner competitions are open to dancers who have never won a 1st place medal in that particular dance in any age group and must dance basic steps.
-  Primary competitions are open to dancers who have never won a 1st place medal in that particular dance in any age group.
-  Intermediate competitions are open to dancers who have never won a 1st place medal in that particular dance in their present age group.
-  Beginner and Primary Trophy Reel competitions are only open to those who have danced in the respective Reel competition and who have not previously won a Trophy Reel Competition in any age group.
-  If there are 5 or less competitors in any Beginner, Primary or Intermediate competition, this will not count for grading purposes (i.e. 1st place dancer will not move out of the grade, provided that they have not won 1st place in that particular dance in that particular grade 3 times.)
-  If there are 15 or more competitors in any Beginners competition, the 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed dancers will move up to the next grade. If there are less than 15, only the 1st place will count.
-  With the exception of Under 6 and Under 7 age groups, any dancer who has won an Open Championship must dance in the Open Grade in the calendar year in which this was won. Any dancer in these age groups who have previously won an Open Championship, must dance Open for the dances they performed in that Championship, they may dance their other dances in the appropriate grade.
-  Special Premier Competitions are confined to dancers who have never won a Special, Prelim or Open Premier/Championship in any age group. A dancer must compete in the solo competitions to be eligible to dance in Special Premier or Open Championships (up to and including Under 9).
-  To be eligible to compete in a Preliminary Championship, a dancer must not have won an Open Championship in any age group (with the exception of Under 6 and Under 7 Championships). A dancer can win ONE Preliminary Championship in a calendar year (January – December) – the following year the dancer will be eligible to compete again in a Preliminary Championship.
-  Special Premier and Preliminary Championships are open to dancers from any region and will be held in yearly age groups, provided there are five or more competitors, otherwise they will be held in double age groups. Preliminary results do not affect grade status.
-  Teams may contain up to 75% from a younger age group. Dancers may only dance in one team in the same age group. (i.e. One two hand dance etc)

-  Competitors must be present when their competition is called, otherwise they may lose their right to dance.
-  All trophies are perpetual and must be returned when requested. The recipient is responsible for any loss or damage to trophies whilst in their possession. They must ensure they are returned in the condition they received them.
-  Any objections must be made in writing and handed to the Secretary with a fee of £10, within one hour of the competition. If the objection is sustained, the fee will be refunded.
-  No video, digital camera, digital phone camera or flash photography is to be used in the halls during competitions. Mobile phones and electronic games to be switched off in dancing areas.
-  Prizes will be awarded in accordance with An Coimisiun rules.
-  The Feis organisers reserve the right to cancel or amend any competitions, subject to the approval of the North East Regional Council (teachers will be notified of any changes).
-  No smoking is allowed anywhere in the building.
-  Dancers must be suitably dressed at all times. No changing is allowed in the competition halls/corridors, changing rooms are available and must be used.
-  The Feis Organiser will provide a surface suitable for dancing. However the organisers cannot accept any liability for injury sustained whilst on stage. The lodgement of an entry will be deemed as acceptance of this.
-  All North East Teachers must send a copy of their entries to the records clerk, Louise Killen, by the closing date. If this is not adhered to, The North East Regional Council will impose a fine of £20.
-  Abusive language and inappropriate behaviour will not be tolerated and will result in future entries from said person(s) being refused.
-  Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove them will be subject to disqualification from that particular competition. Medically prescribed apparatus (proof of which may be required) will be exempt from this ruling.
-  No make-up can be worn in Beginners and Primary Grades, up to and including Under 12 age Group worldwide.
-  Make-up (including false eyelashes and tanner on the face and neck) is not permitted for dancers, in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group.
-  No block or en-pointe steps, stationary or moving, can be performed in age groups up to and including Under 12 age group.
-  If a dancer has qualified for the World Championships (as a solo competitor) in the previous 12 months, he/she is not eligible to dance in the Preliminary Championships.
-  Claraithe leis an Coimisiun le Rinei Gaclacha.

Approved by North East Regional Council  
 Anne Curran Thomas ADCRG  
 Feis Registrar  
 Date: 23/03/2018

## Solo Grades

(B=Beginner, P=Primary, I=Intermediate, O=Open)

| Age | Reel<br>£4.00 | Slip Jig<br>£4.00 | Single Jig<br>£4.00 | Light Jig<br>£4.00 | Trophy Reel<br>£5.50 | Heavy Jig<br>£4.00 | Hornpipe<br>£4.00 | Trad Set<br>£4.00 |
|-----|---------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| U6  | B,P,I,O       | B,P,I,O           | B,P,I,O             | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I                | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I,O           |                   |
| U7  | B,P,I,O       | B,P,I,O           | B,P,I,O             | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I                | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I,O           |                   |
| U8  | B,P,I,O       | B,P,I,O           | B,P,I,O             | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I                | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I,O           | O                 |
| U9  | B,P,I,O       | B,P,I,O           | B,P,I,O             | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I                | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I,O           | O                 |
| U10 | B,P,I,O       | B,P,I             | B,P,I,O             | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I                | B,P,I,O            | B,P,I,O           |                   |
| U11 | B,P,I         | B,P,I             | B,P,I               | B,P,I              | B,P,I                | B,P,I              | B,P,I             |                   |
| U12 | I             | I                 | I                   | I                  | I                    | I                  | I                 |                   |
| U13 | B,P,I         | B,P,I             | B,P,I               | B,P,I              | B,P,I                | B,P,I              | B,P,I             |                   |
| O13 | P             | P                 | P                   | P                  | P                    | P                  | P                 |                   |
| U14 | I             | I                 | I                   | I                  | I                    | I                  | I                 |                   |
| U15 | I             | I                 | I                   | I                  | I                    | I                  | I                 |                   |
| O15 | I             | I                 | I                   | I                  | I                    | I                  | I                 |                   |

## Figure Competitions

| Age                         | Competitions                   |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| £1.00 per dancer<br>U7 & U9 | 2 hand, 3 hand                 |
| U11, U13, U16 & Senior      | 2 hand, 3 hand & 8 hand (Trad) |

## Special Premier

| Age         | 1 <sup>st</sup> Round     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Round          |
|-------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
| £8.50<br>U7 | 16 Bar step about in Reel | 16 Bar step about in Light Jig |
| U8 & U9     | 16 Bar step about in Reel | 16 Bar step about in Heavy Jig |

## Preliminary Championships

| Age                                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Round | Recall                    |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| £28.00                                |                       |                       |                           |
| U10, U11, U12, U13, U14,<br>U15 & O15 | Reel or Slip Jig      | Heavy Jig             | Hornpipe<br>(if required) |

## Open Championships:

| Age                                                          | 1 <sup>st</sup> round | 2 <sup>nd</sup> round | Recall          |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|
| U6 & U7<br>£10.00                                            | Reel                  | Single Jig            | -               |
| U8 & U9<br>£12.00                                            | Reel                  | Heavy Jig             | Traditional Set |
| U10, U11, U12, U13, U14,<br>U15, U16, U18 & Senior<br>£28.00 | Reel or Slip Jig      | Heavy Jig or Hornpipe | Open Set        |

Family Ceiling - £60.00

Door entry - £5:00 (concessions £2.50)

Please use official entry form.

If you are sending Entry Fees by BACS please ensure the School Name is the payment reference, then send a confirmation of payment alongside the entry via email to

[mcelvogueirishdance@gmail.com](mailto:mcelvogueirishdance@gmail.com)

## Please Note:

All perpetual trophies won in 2017 must be returned before championships commence.



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