

ST PATRICK'S FEIS COMMITTEE

**SATURDAY,
8 JUNE 2019**

**Brinkburn Community
Centre,
South Shields**

**Kevin Murphy, Glasgow
Willie Patterson,
Glasgow**

This feis is
registered by
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**Dan Armstrong, ADCRG, Belfast
Nicola King, ADCRG, Merseyside
Joanne Evans McDermott, ADCRG, Derry
Terry McKeivitt, ADCRG, Dundalk
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**Entries to be sent to Feis
Secretary:
Mary Kelly
69 Bretton Gardens
Cochrane Park
Newcastle upon Tyne**

RULES GOVERNING THE FEIS:

- 1 Entries to reach the Secretary, Mary Kelly, 69 Bretton Gardens, Cochrane Park, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE7 7JT, on or before **Thursday, 23 May 2019**. Age to be taken from 1 January 2019. All entries to be signed by Teacher. No entries will be accepted by telephone. **Entries without fees will not be accepted.** Cheques to be made payable to “**ST PATRICK'S FEIS COMMITTEE**”. Fee for returned cheques will be paid by Teacher. No post-dated cheques will be accepted.
PLEASE NOTE THAT NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM ANY DANCING SCHOOL AFTER THE CLOSING DATE.
- 2 The adjudicator's decision is final. No form of communication with an adjudicator other than by an authorised person is permitted.
- 3 The adjudicators advertised may be substituted on the day if the need arises.
- 4 The Feis Committee reserves the right to cancel any competition which has three entries or less. Teachers will be notified.
- 5 A team may contain members from a lower age group, provided that at least 25% of the team are in the specified age group. A dancer may only dance once in each team competition, ie, one two hand, etc. The only exception to this would be where a dancer could dance in a mixed and unmixed 8 hand Ceili team in the same age group.
- 6 **Beginner and Primary competitions are OPEN TO DANCERS FROM ANY REGION and dancers in these grades must wear a class costume or skirt/trousers and top. No make-up is allowed in Beginner and Primary competitions up to, and including, the Under 12 age group.**
- 7 Beginner competitions are open to dancers who have never won 1st place 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 in that particular dance in any age group. Intermediate competitions are open to dancers who have never won a 1st place in that particular dance in their present age group.
- 8 Where there are 5 or less competitors in a solo competition, grades will not be affected. However, a dancer may only win 3 such competitions and then they will move to the next grade. 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.
- 9 **Beginners Trophy Reels** are confined to dancers who have danced in the Beginners Reel and have not previously won a Beginners Trophy Reel in any age group. **Primary Trophy Reels** are confined to dancers who have danced in the Primary Reel but have not previously won a Primary Trophy Reel in any age group. **Intermediate Trophy Reels** are confined to dancers who have danced in the Intermediate Reel but have not previously won an Intermediate Trophy Reel in their current age group.

- 10 With the exception of the Under 6 and Under 7 age groups, a competitor, who has won an Open
Championship, must dance in the Open Grade in the calendar year in which this was won. Any Under 6 or
Under 7 dancer, who has won an Open Championship, must dance Open for the dances performed in the
Open Championship but may dance their other dances in the appropriate grade.
- 11 To be eligible to dance in Under 6, 7, 8 and 9 Open Championships, the dancers must dance, at least, their
Championship dances in their Solo competitions.
- 12 To be eligible to compete in a **Preliminary Championship (OPEN TO DANCERS FROM ALL
REGIONS)**, a dancer must not have won an Open Championship in any age group, excluding Under 6 and
Under 7 Championships. 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 Preliminary 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. Preliminary Championships will be held
in yearly age groups, provided there are 5 or more competitors. If there are less than 5 competitors, they
will be held in double year age groups. **Preliminary results do not effect grade status.**
- 13 It is the responsibility of the recipient/parent/guardian to see that trophies are returned undamaged and
when requested. Trophies will be signed for upon receipt.
- 14 ANY OBJECTION IS TO BE MADE IN WRITING AND HANDED TO THE FEIS SECRETARY WITH
A FEE OF £5 WITHIN ONE HOUR OF THE COMPETITION. Objection being sustained, fee will be
refunded.
- 15 The Feis Committee reserves the right to disqualify any competitor(s) or teams who do not present
themselves when called for. Prizes will be awarded in accordance with an Coimisiun rules.
- 16 The Feis Committee may modify, alter or cancel any arrangement in the Syllabus as is deemed necessary,
subject to the approval of the North East Regional Council.
- 17 All dancers must be suitably dressed at all times. Changing facilities will be provided, therefore, there
should be no changing in the competition halls.
- 18 Mobile phones and electronic games must be switched off in dancing areas. No video, digital camera,
digital phone camera or flash photography is to be used during competitions.
- 19 There is to be no smoking in the hall. No hairsprays or aerosols are to be used in the dancing areas.
- 20 The Feis Organisers will, as far as reasonably practicable, provide suitable surfaces for dancing. However,
they can not accept any liability for injuries sustained whilst dancing. The lodgement of an entry will be
deemed to be an acceptance of this provision by a dancer.
- 21 Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refusing 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.
- 22 The use of make-up is not permitted in Beginner and Primary grades up to and including the Under 12 age
group.
- 23 Make-up (including false eyelashes and tanner on the face) is not be permitted for any dancer, in either solo
or team competitions, up to and including the under 10 age group.
- 24 No block, en pointe movements, stationary or moving, are allowed to be performed for all ages up to and
including the Under 12 Age Group worldwide.
- 25 No alcohol should be brought onto the Premises with the intent to consume.
- 26 Claraithe leis an Coimisiun le Rinci Gaelacha.
- 27 All North East Teachers must provide a copy of their entries to Louise Killen, the Records Clerk, on or
before Thursday, 23 May 2019 for record purposes. If this is not adhered to, a £20 fine will be imposed by
the North East Regional Council.

IF ANY PARENTS DO NOT WISH THEIR CHILDREN TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED IN A CHAMPIONSHIP LINE-UP, PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE CHILDREN CONCERNED ARE REMOVED FROM THE STAGE AFTER THE RESULT HAS BEEN GIVEN.

SOLO COMPETITIONS

Beginners	Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13 Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Trophy Reel, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe
Primary	Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, Over 13 Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Trophy Reel, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe
Intermediate	Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, Over 15 Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Trophy Reel, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe
Open	Under 6 and 7: Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe Under 8 and 9: Reel, Slip Jig, Single Jig, Light Jig, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe, Trad Set Dance

PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS (SASHES WILL BE AWARDED)

Age groups: Under 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, Over 16

1st Round: Reel or Slip Jig, 2nd Round: Heavy Jig, Recall Round: Hornpipe

SOLO RESULTS WILL BE GIVEN FOR FIRST TWO ROUNDS OF PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS.

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS (SASHES AND TIARAS/CROSSES WILL BE AWARDED)

Age groups: Under 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 19, Senior

Under 6 and Under 7: 1st Round: Reel, 2nd Round: Single Jig

Under 8 and Under 9: 1st Round: Reel, 2nd Round: Heavy Jig, Recall Round: Traditional Set Dance

Under 10: 1st Round: Reel or Slip Jig, 2nd Round: Heavy Jig or Hornpipe, Recall Round: Set Dance

Under 11 to Senior: 1st Round: Reel or Slip Jig, 2nd Round: Heavy Jig or Hornpipe: Recall Round: Open Set Dance

SOLO RESULTS WILL BE GIVEN FOR FIRST TWO ROUNDS OF UNDER 10 TO SENIOR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS. MARKS WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE FOR BOTH PRELIMINARY AND OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS.

FIGURE DANCE COMPETITIONS

Under 7 and Under 9: 2 Hand, 3 Hand and 4 Hand (Traditional)

Under 11, 13, 16 and Senior: 2 Hand, 3 Hand, 4 Hand (Traditional), 6 Hand and 8 Hand (Traditional)

ENTRY FEES

SOLOS	£4.00
TROPHY REEL	£5.50
PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS	£28.00 (TO INCLUDE 2 SOLO ROUNDS)
OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS (U6, U7, U8, U9)	£10.00
OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS (U10 – SENIOR)	£28.00 (TO INCLUDE 2 SOLO ROUNDS)
FIGURE DANCES	£0.60 per dancer
FAMILY CEILING	£55.00

(This applies to either Grades or Preliminary/Open Championship competitions, but not both. A family may claim two family ceilings if family members (from one family) compete in both Grades and Preliminary/Open Championship. Where a dancer enters four or more solo competitions, they can enter Open or Preliminary Championships at a charge of £10.00)

DOOR CHARGE £5.00 (Concessions £2.50)

PLEASE USE THE OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM ATTACHED.

ENTRIES FOR ST PATRICK'S FEIS

SCHOOL:

Dancer's name	Age group	Reel £4.00	Slip Jig £4.00	Single Jig £4.00	Light Jig £4.00	Trophy Reel £5.50	Heavy Jig £4.00	Horn-Pipe £4.00	Trad Set £4.00	Prelim Champ £28.00	Open Champ £10/£28	Fees £

TEACHER'S NAME/SIGNATURE: TOTAL FEES: