



# The John Flanagan Memorial Charity Feis

**Saturday 20th and Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

WELCOME TO OUR FABULOUS NEW VENUE

*The Oxford Academy (TOA)*

*Sandy Lane West*

*Oxford*

*OX4 6JZ*

## **ADJUDICATORS**

**Bernard Hynes Leinster**

**Brian Corrigan Ulster**

**Darina Corrigan White Ulster**

**Kathleen Murray Southern**

**Sonia Leonard Ulster**

**Tara Dey Midlands**

## **MUSICIANS**

**Dean Crouch London**

**Aiden O'Neill London**

**Anthony Davis Belfast**

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**Dear Teachers,**

**Welcome to the 19<sup>th</sup> John Flanagan Memorial Charity Feis. Last year your support enabled us to give £2038 to Helen and Douglas House. This year our event will be supporting Cancer Research UK.**

**This year we have had to change our venue at short notice but I am sure you will all agree that long term; this will be a great new venue. The venue is just off the ring road so will be very easy to find. The main hall is bigger than our last venue and has tiered seating too. The grades hall is situated right next to the main hall so for teachers there will be no long walk/run from hall to hall.**

**Sadly, we do not have full access to their canteen, as this is the schools policy so our range of food will not be as elaborate as in previous years. However we will do our endeavours to offer you hot and cold food and in addition we will have a barbecue too.**

**We will also have a separate results hall to ensure that the feis runs to time. This will be situated on the first floor and will be signposted.**

**As in previous years our graded competitions are open to dancers from all regions worldwide.**

**We have invited 6 very accomplished adjudicators and 3 excellent musicians to be with us for the weekend. A panel of 3 adjudicators will adjudicate all Open and Preliminary Championships.**

**Our vendors will be John and Rose Clark from Feiswear who will be able to supply you with shoes, socks, CDs etc. Melaine Murphy will also be in attendance , selling wigs, tiaras and other accessories. John and Noreen Egan from Feispix will be taking photos of Championships presentations as well as studio photos.**

**Please note the closing date for entries is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017. We would really appreciate if the closing date could be adhered to. Please note the SERC rule for the 2 week period following the initial closing date late entries up to are accepted but are subject to a £2 admin fee per dancer. Entries are accepted on the day of the competition, but will be subject to a £5 admin fee per dancer.**

**Sashes and trophies will be awarded to the top 5 in all Preliminary and Open Championships and Trophies for the top 3 dancers in the grades irrespective of the number entered.**

**Many thanks once again for your continued support.**

**Marion Flanagan A.D.C.R.G**

## **FEIS RULES**

- 1. Lodgement 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 the registered teacher must sign entry forms. 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 the SERC late entry rule and competitions may be combined at the Feis Organisers discretion if only one competitor is entered.**
- 4. Ages must be taken from the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2017.**
- 5. All competitors may be required to produce their birth certificate/passport or 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 adjudicator 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 5 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 never placed a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 SERC Rule.**
- 15. The Primary Grade is for dancers who have not won a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> 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 the boys) in competitions up to and including the Under 12 Age group. Make-up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first 2 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 that particular age group, or who has not won a Premier competition, Preliminary Championship or an Open Championship.**
- 18. Intermediate competitors can dance their grade dances and either the Preliminary or Open Championship.**
- 19. If a dancer wins ONE Preliminary Championship from 1<sup>st</sup> January, they are no longer eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship for the remainder of the year or the following calendar year,**
- 20. A dancer is not eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship if they have placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in an Open Championship, from the 1<sup>st</sup> January in the previous year or within the current calendar year. 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. Dancers who qualify at 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 that they win out of the grade.**
- 21. Competitors can only dance in either Preliminary or Open Championship. They may not compete in both.**
- 22. If a dancer wins a Preliminary Championship where there were 5 or fewer dancers in the competition, the dancer is still eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship.**
- 23. Competitions may be combined at the Feis Organiser's discretion if only 1 competitor is entered.**

24. The points above apply when a dancer competes from U10 and upwards. A dancer, who has been placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in an Open Championship in the age groups below U10, will be eligible to compete in Preliminary Championships. (Teachers are advised/requested to use their own discretion)
25. A panel of 3 adjudicators will judge all Championships from U8 upwards and all Preliminary Championships. All Championship/Preliminary Cups are perpetual and the recipients are responsible for any loss or damage and for the safe return in adequate time to be presented to this year's winner.
26. An Coimisiun has ruled that from 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> September.
27. The Feis Organiser must provide non-slip flooring for every dance surface, however the Feis Organiser does not accept any liability for injury sustained whilst dancing.
28. Any competitor found to be using artificial carriage aids and subsequently refuses to remove the 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.
29. 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.
30. 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.
31. 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.
32. Any form of unauthorized photography which has the capability to capture a dancers 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.
33. 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.
34. Any competition can be moved to another hall at the discretion of the Feis Secretary.
35. 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.
36. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children, at all times, whilst attending the Feis.
37. The Feis Organiser accepts no responsibility for any loss or damage to personal property.
38. NO SMOKING is permitted anywhere on the school grounds.
39. 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.

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**Trophies/Medals will be awarded in accordance with the minimum requirements as laid down by the Southern England Regional Council.**

- 2 medals where there are 5 or fewer 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.
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## SOLO COMPETITIONS

**1<sup>ST</sup> to 3<sup>RD</sup> places in all solos will be awarded trophies.**

Under 5 Ungraded	Reel	Light jig	Single Jig	Slip Jig Premier
<b>AGE GROUP</b>	<b>NOVICE Bun Grad</b>	<b>PRIMARY Tus Grad</b>	<b>INTERMEDIATE Mean Grad</b>	<b>OPEN Ard Grad</b>
5 & Under 6 6 & Under 7	Reel Light Jig Single Jig Slip Jig	Reel Light Jig Single Jig Slip Jig	Reel Light Jig Single Jig Slip Jig	Reel Light Jig Single Jig Slip Jig Premier
7 & Under 8 8 & Under 9 9 & Under 10 10 & Under 11 11 & Under 12 12 & Under 14 14 & Under 16 Over 16	Reel Light Jig Single Jig Slip Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Single Jig Slip Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Reel Light Jig Single Jig Slip Jig Heavy Jig Hornpipe	Open C/Ship U8 to Senior incl 2 solos  Prelim C/Ship U10 to Over 16 incl 2 solos

**Traditional Set Dance Competition Open U6  
Open Set Dance Competition Open U7**

## FIGURE COMPETITIONS

Under 9	9 & Under 11	11 & Under 13	13 & Under 16	Over 16
2 Hand Dance 3 Hand Dance 4 Hand Dance Fairy Reel 8 Hand Dance Progressive Ceili C/Ship	2 Hand Dance 3 Hand Dance 4 Hand Dance Fairy Reel 8 Hand Dance Progressive Ceili C/Ship	2 Hand Dance 3 Hand Dance 4 Hand Dance Fairy Reel 8 Hand Dance Progressive Ceili C/Ship	2 Hand Dance 3 Hand Dance 4 Hand Dance Fairy Reel 8 Hand Dance Progressive Ceili C/Ship	2 Hand Dance 3 Hand Dance 4 Hand Dance Fairy Reel 8 Hand Dance Progressive Ceili C/Ship

## Days Of Competitions

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Open C/Ships U8 - U19 , Solos U8, U9, U12, 12 & U14, Prelim U12, U13 & U14**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

**Open C/Ships U21 and Senior, Solos U5, U6, U7, U10, U11,14 & U16, O16, Prelim  
U10, U11, U15, U16 & O16**

## PREMIERS

Age Group	First Dance	Second Dance	Recall
Under 5	Reel	Light Jig	No Recall
5 & Under 6	Reel	Light Jig	No Recall
6 & Under 7	Reel	Light Jig	No Recall

## GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Age Group	First Dance	Second Dance	Recall
7 & Under 8	Heavy Jig	Reel	Traditional Set
8 & Under 9	Heavy Jig	Reel	Traditional Set
9 & Under 10	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
10 & Under 11	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
11 & Under 12	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
12 & Under 13	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
13 & Under 14	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
14 & Under 15	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
15 & Under 16	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
16 & Under 17	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
17 & Under 19	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
19 & Under 21	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
Senior Ladies	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set

## BOYS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Age Group	First Dance	Second Dance	Recall
7 & Under 9	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
9 & Under 11	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
11 & Under 13	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
13 & Under 15	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
15 & Under 17	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
17 & Under 19	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set
Senior Men	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel	Open Set

## PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS

9 & Under 10	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
10 & Under 11	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
11 & Under 12	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
12 & Under 13	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
13 & Under 14	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
14 & Under 15	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
15 & Under 16	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set
16 & Over	Heavy Jig/Hornpipe	Reel/Slip Jig	Open Set

All Championships and Preliminary Championships - Jig/Reel 40 Bars Slip jJg/Hornpipe 32 bars

**Closing date Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Late Entries accepted from Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

**Will incur a £2.00 Administration fee per dancer**

**Entries on the day will be subject to a £5.00 Administration Fee  
(As per SERC Rules)**

**Entry Fees to be sent by post to**

**Feis Secretary**

**Marion Flanagan ADCRG**

**29 Broadfields, Littlemore, Oxford, OX4 6LP.**

**Entry Queries, Please contact: 07971 035797(Registered Teachers Only)**

**Cheques should be made payable to:**

**The John Flanagan Memorial Feis**

### **ENTRY FEES**

<b>Solo Trophies</b>	<b>£4</b>
<b>Premier U5, U6 &amp; U7 (must dance 2 solos on the day)</b>	<b>£10</b>
<b>Championship U8 and above (including 2 solos)</b>	<b>£23</b>
<b>Preliminary Championships (including 2 solos)</b>	<b>£23</b>
<b>Figure/Ceili (per dancer)</b>	<b>£3</b>
<b>Family Fee</b>	<b>£55</b>
<b>Single Dancer maximum fee excluding door entry</b>	<b>£35</b>
<b>Door Fee per family to be included with entry</b>	<b>£7</b>



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## THE JOHN FLANAGAN MEMORIAL FEIS WINNERS 2016

### OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

U5	Lily Murphy	Glendarragh
U6	Aine Gaynor	Claddagh
U7	Leila Thomson	Kelly
U8	Ciarra McCarthy	McGahan Lees
U9	Caitlin Dillon	Claddagh
U9 Boys	John O'Connor	Claddagh
U10	Ellie-Kate McCarthy	McGahan Lees
U11	Ella McCarthy	Ceim Oir
U11 Boys	Ashton Canty	McGahan Lees
U12	Mary Conway	McGahan Lees
U13	Alliyah O'Hare	Scanlon
U13 Boys	Joseph Howarth	Glendarragh
U14	Mary Kate Nealon	Claddagh
U15	Ellie-Mae Wheeler	Claddagh
U15 Boys	Harrison Clarke	Reel Eire
U16	Molly Challis	Claddagh
U17	Isabella Walshe	Brooks
U17 Boys	Cameron Burne	Maguire O'Shea
U19	Grace McCarthy	Ceim Oir
U19 Men	Charlie Cahill	Murchu Duiginn
U21	Roisin Bates	Ceim Oir
U21 Men	Ian Leubbers	Brosler
Senior	Natalie O'Hare	Ceim Oir

### PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS

U10	Ella O'Donnell	Herlihy-Burgoine
U11	Kadie O'Connor	Marie Connell
U12	Jessi Renshaw-Morgan	Reel Eire
U13	Shannon McDyre	Irish Dance Academy
U14	Celestina Allen	Carey
U15	Megan Curley	Theresa O'Donoghue
U16	Niamh Ayers	McGahan Lees
U17	Kristina Kelly	Maguire O'Shea
O17	Hannah Brosnan	O'Malley