



Claraithe leis and gCoimisun Le Rince Gaelacha

FEIS ERIN 10TH & 11TH OCTOBER 2020

THE SOUTH COURT HOTEL, RAHEEN, LIMERICK

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ENTRY FEES

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP ONLY 40EURO
OPEN AND PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP 45EURO
PRELIM ONLY 25EURO
U 6 PRÍOMH COMORTAS 30EURO

TROPHIES AND SASHES WILL BE AWARDED TO THE TOP 5 IN EACH CHAMPIONSHIP
EACH CHAMPIONSHIP FROM U 10 TO OVER 18 WILL INCORPORATE A PRELIM RESULT TAKEN OVER THE
FIRST 2 ROUNDS AND WILL BE AWARDED CUP AND SASH FOR 1ST PLACE TO 5TH PLACE.

ENTRIES CONFINED TO IRELAND ONLY.

ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FROM ANY COUNTY ON LEVEL 3
THERE WILL BE AN OVERALL CAP OF 350 DANCERS OVER THE TWO DAYS WITH A MAX OF 30 DANCERS IN
ANY ONE COMPETITION. 100% RECALL
U6/U7/U8/U9 WILL DANCE ALL THREE ROUNDS
ALL DANCERS WILL DANCE 2 AT A TIME ON A 40FT CHAMPIONSHIP STAGE

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

REEL AND HEAVY JIG 40BARS
SLIP JIG AND HORNSPIPE 32 BARS

The approval of this syllabus is simply to ensure that the competitions etc., adhere to the rules pertaining to Comhairle Na Mumhan and An Coimisún Le Rincí Gaelacha. It is important to highlight that, during the Covid 19 pandemic, it is solely the responsibility of the organisers to ensure that all feiseanna abide by the relevant advice and directives of the government and public health authorities in force at the time of the feis.

Syllabus approved by Feis Registrar:
On behalf of Comhairle na Mumhan. 22nd Sept 2020

PROVISIONAL DAYS TIMETABLE

SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER U11 TO U16 CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER REMAINING CHAMPIONSHIPS (U6,7,8,9,10, 16-18 & OVER 18)

THESE DATES ARE PROVISIONAL , TIMETABLE WILL ONLY BE FINALISED WHEN ALL ENTRIES ARE IN AND PAYMENT RECEIVED.

ENTRY PROCESS

ENTRIES WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED BY TEACHERS REGISTERED WITH CLRG. ENTRIES WILL BE RECEIVED BY EMAIL TO BALLHOBANLINDA@GMAIL.COM

ENTRIES BY EMAIL ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.WE HAVE AN ENTRY CAP OVER THE ENTIRE WEEKEND WHICH WILL BE STRICTLY ADHERED TO.

EACH COMPETITION WILL ADDITONALLY BE CAPPED IN LINE WITH GOVERNMENT/HOTEL LEGISLATION.

PLEASE SEND ENTRIES IN THE BELOW FORMAT

NAME:

SCHOOL:

AGE GROUP:

PRELIM/OPEN:

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS:

CONTACT PHONE NO:

ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED BY TEACHER OR PARENT. PREFERABLY ONE JOINT SCHOOL ENTRY.

ENTRIES WILL OPEN ON MONDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 10AM – WILL CLOSE ONCE CAP IS REACHED

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE BY WEDNESDAY 30TH 10AM, IF PAYMENT IS NOT RECEIVED BY THIS DEADLINE THE ENTRY IS VOID.

IF THE ENTRY CAP HAS BEEN REACHED, TEACHERS WILL BE NOTIFIED AND DANCERS WILL BE PUT ON A WAITING LIST.

ENTRY FOR THE FEIS INDICATES THAT DANCERS ENTERED AND THEIR PARENTS/GUARDIANS AGREE TO ADHERE TO THE FEIS AND VENUE GUIDELINES. FEES ARE NON REFUNDABLE EXCEPT IN THE CASE THAT THE EVENT IS CANCELLED.

ANYONE WHO PAYS BY PAYPAL IS SUBJECT TO PAYPAL FEE IN THE CASE OF A REFUND.

DATA PROTECTION

As a feis organiser and a member of An Coimisiún le Rincí Gaelacha (CLRG), I aim to protect all user information in accordance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation 2018. Please see link for more information: <http://www.eugdpr.org/eugdpr.org-1.html>

As a member of CLRG, I comply with the CLRG GDPR Regulations. Please see link for more information:

<http://www.clrge.ie/index.php/en/about-us/privacy-policy.html>

We are committed to ensuring that your information is secure. In order to prevent unauthorised access or disclosure, we have put in place suitable procedures to safeguard and secure the information we collect. Some personal data is required to be shared in order to gain information about who is taking part in our competition. This information will be given to the feis organiser by registered teachers via email. This information may be shared with An Comhairle Na Mumhan, CLRG and members of the feis committee. If you have any concerns with the way your data is being collected, stored or used, please contact ballhobanlinda@gmail.com. **All Information will be destroyed 14 days after Feis Erin 2020**

RUNNING OF THE FEIS

DANCERS WILL BE PERMITTED ONE ADULT WITH THEM AT ANY ONE TIME(PARENT/GUARDIAN/TEACHER)
FACE COVERINGS ARE TO BE WORN, EXCEPT FOR DANCERS WHILE COMPETING ONLY OR ANYONE WITH A
MEDICAL EXEMPTION FROM WEARING A FACE COVERING.

UPON ENTERING& LEAVING THE CONFERENCE HALL YOU WILL SANITISE HANDS AT THE SANITISATION
STATION. SEVERAL STATIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE FEIS.

TEMPERATURE CHECK AND SIGN IN WILL ALSO BE IN PLACE.

DANCERS WILL BE ASSIGNED THEIR ENTRY PACK AT THE ENTRY DESK. THE ENTRY PACK WILL INCLUDE:

*DANCERS NUMBER WITH SANITISED PIN

* CHAMPIONSHIP MEDAL

* 2 SOLO MEDALS

* PLASTIC CHAIR COVERING WHICH YOU WILL DISPOSE OF WHEN LEAVING THE PREMISES

ATTENDEES WILL SIT IN SOCIALLY DISTANCED STATIONS OF CHAIRS IN THE HALL.

DANCERS, WHEN CALLED, WILL LINE UP SIDESTAGE ON THE SOCIALLY DISTANCED X MARKS. THEY WILL
PERFORM THEIR 2 ROUNDS 2 AT A TIME ON A 40FT CHAMPIONSHIP STAGE. STAGE HANDS WILL ASSIST IN
THIS PROCESS. HEAVY ROUNDS WILL BE PERFORMED 1ST IN ALL CHAMPIONSHIPS EXCEPT U6 AND U7.

ONCE THE DANCING HAS BEEN COMPLETED FOR THAT PARTICULAR TIME SLOT, DANCERS WILL AND THEIR
PARENTS WILL BE USHERED VIA A ONE WAY SYSTEM TO THE RESULTS HALL.

AN ACCURATE TIMETABLE CAN ONLY BE PUT TOGETHER WHEN ALL ENTRIES ARE RECEIVED AND PAID IN
FULL.

EXAMPLE:

A GROUP OF 30 DANCERS COULD BE ALLOCATED A TIME SLOT OF 2HOURS.

AWARD CEREMONIES

DANCERS AND PARENTS WILL REMAIN SOCIALY DISTANCED IN THE RESULTS HALL UNTIL THE RESULT IS
READY TO BE GIVEN.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP RESULT WILL BE CALLED 1ST TO 5TH PLACE. DANCERS WILL MAKE THEIR WAY ONE AT A
TIME TO THE RESULT AREA.

THERE WILL BE A 5 PLACE PODIUM (2M DISTANCE BETWEEN BOXES) FOR THE TOP 5 DANCERS WHO WILL
TAKE THEIR CUP AND PUT ON THEIR OWN SASH.

DANCERS THEN RETURN TO THE FLOOR AND THE 2 SOLO RESULTS ARE READ OUT. THE WINNER OF EACH
SOLO ROUND WILL RECEIVE A TROPHY, WHILE THE REMAINING DANCERS WILL ALREADY HAVE THEIR SOLO
MEDALS FROM THE ENTRY PACK AND WILL NOT COME UP FOR THESE RESULTS. **THE FULL RESULTS WILL BE
READ OUT.**

RESULTS WILL NOT BE HANDED OUT, THEY WILL BE POSTED ON FEIS ERIN FACEBOOK PAGE.

MAXIMUM PEOPLE IN HALL AT ANY ONE TIME

**MAIN HALL: 3 STAGE HANDS, 3 ADJUDICATORS, 1 MUSICIAN, 1 INFORMATION DESK,1 COVID OFFICER/
CLEANER.**

MAX OF 30 DANCERS WITH ONE PARENT/GUARDIAN/TEACHER

**A MAX OF 10 TEACHERS ALLOWED IN THE HALL. THE TEACHER MUST HAVE AN ENTRY, ONLY 1 TEACHER
PER SCHOOL ADMITTED.**

PLEASE ADHERE TO GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES AND MAKE THIS A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE EVENT.

LIST OF DANCES

PRIOMH COMORTAS UNDER 6 - REEL, LIGHT JIG
CRAOBH COMORTAS UNDER 7 - REEL, LIGHT JIG & SINGLE JIG
CRAOBH COMORTAS 7- 8 REEL, LIGHT OR HEAVY JIG , ST PATRICKS DAY
CRAOBH COMORTAS 8-9 REEL, HEAVY JIG - ANY TRAD SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 9-10 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE - SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 10-11 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE - SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 11-12 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE - SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 12-13 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE -SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 13-14 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE -SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 14-15 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE - SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 15-16 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE -SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS 16-18 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE - SET
CRAOBH COMORTAS OVER 18 REEL OR SLIP JIG, HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE - SET

FEIS READY

PLEASE COME TO THE FEIS READY TO DANCE, WIGS MAKE UP ETC SHOULD BE DONE BEFORE YOU ARRIVE TO THE VENUE.

CHECK OUR FACEBOOK PAGE TO VERIFY FEIS IS RUNNING TO TIME. STAGE MANAGERS WILL CONSTANTLY POST UPDATES .

ONLY ARRIVE TO THE VENUE 15 MINUTES PRIOR TO YOUR COMPETITION TIME.
ON ARRIVAL YOU WILL NOT BE USING THE MAIN HOTEL ENTRANCE. YOU WILL PARK IN THE CONFERENCE AREA CAR PARK. PLEASE STAY IN YOUR CAR UNTIL YOU SEE THE DOOR OPEN AND ONLY THEN CAN YOU ENTER THE BUILDING.

START NUMBER

THE START NUMBER FOR EACH COMPETITION WILL BE POSTED ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE PRIOR TO THE EVENT. TEACHERS WILL ALSO BE NOTIFIED OF SAME.

MISHAPS ON STAGE

IF THERE IS A MISHAP ON STAGE THE DANCER WILL BE HELPED AND ASSISTED BY STAGE HANDS.



Feis Erin Covid Liaison is Linda Ball-Hoban

Waiver of liability agreement

(to be signed on the day)

In advance of attending the feis we require you to carefully consider the following agreement as your/your child's entry will be determined on the signing of same.

ACKNOWLEDEMENT OF PANDEMIC

I am aware that the World Health Organisation and other governmental and health authorities have declared Covid-19 a pandemic. I am aware that social distancing is to be practiced and that any increased social contact during this pandemic poses an increased risk of transmissions which could cause injury, illness or death.

CONFIRMATION OF HEALTH AND NON-TRAVEL

I confirm that I (or on behalf of the participant) am in good health and have not travelled internationally in the past 14 days and will inform my teachers, who will inform the feis organisers, should they plan to travel abroad.

ACKNOWLEDEGEGMNT AND VOLUNTARY ASSUMPTION OF RISK I am aware that other persons may attend the feis and may have been exposed to the Covid-19 virus. I am aware of the risks, dangers and hazards associated with attending the feis at this time and I (or on behalf of the participant) freely accept and fully assume all such risks, dangers and hazards and the possibility of personal injury, illness or loss resulting there from. I am aware that I (or on behalf of the participant) may require first aid, which may require 'hands-on' care and social distancing may not be possible in this instance.

WAIVER OF CLAIMS I agree to waive any and all claims that I now or in the future may have against the feis organisers, any of their directors, employees, contractors, assigns, and/or successors (the "releasees") and to release the releasees from any and all liability for any injury, illness or loss may suffer as a result of attendance at the feis due to Covid-19. I agree the feis organisers have carried out a thorough risk assessment prior to the running of the feis and have put in place all measures to negate any risk of the virus being spread and/or contracted during same.

INDEMNIFICATION I agree to hold harmless and indemnify the releasees from any and all liability for any injury, illness or loss to from attendance at the feis as the case may be, due to Covid-19. I confirm that I have read and understood this agreement and I am aware that, by signing this agreement, I am waiving certain legal rights which I may have against the releasees.

I CONFIRM THAT I AM VOLUNTARILY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT.

Name of participant (Dancer):

Participant signature (Dancer to sign if over 18):

Date signed:

FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE (UNDER AGE 18 AT THE TIME OF THE FEIS) This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian, with legal responsibility for this participant, have read and explained the provisions in this waiver/release to my child including the risks of presence and participation and his/her personal responsibilities for adhering to the rules and regulations for protection against Covid-19. Furthermore, my child understands and accepts these risks and responsibilities particularly in relation to Covid-19. I for myself, my spouse, and child do consent and agree to his/her release provided above for all the Releasees and myself, my spouse, and child do release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees for any and all liabilities in relation to Covid-19 relating to my minor child's presence or participation in the feis as provided above post Covid-19. Name of participant (Dancer):

Parent/Guardian signature (Parent/Guardian):

Date signed:

Feis Rules

FEIS RULES AND CONDITIONS

- In Bun and Tus grad competitions, dancers are permitted to wear either class costumes or day wear e.g. skirts and tops (Munster Specific rule)
- The use of artificial carriage aids is strictly forbidden except in cases of a medical condition where a doctor's certificate may be requested. 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.
- 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 the costume stitching or any arm attachments by the time of their rotation will not be permitted to perform.
- Make up / false - eye lashes will not be permitted for dancers in either solo or team competitions, up to and including the Under 10 age group. Effective from 1st March 2014.
(Please note that dancers in this age group who might be in a Ceili Team Under 11 will be permitted make up for team this age group competitions, i.e. Under 11 Ceili Championships.)
- Under no circumstances should dancers walk around any dancing venue in their underwear. Neither should dancers (regardless of age) change into or out of costume in the main dancing hall, if at all possible. At all times, dancers should be properly attired.
- In Reel competitions under 5 years, dancers must perform Easy Reel material only... (Munster specific rule).
- Should a dancer fall on stage, the adjudicator MUST ring the bell to stop the performance of the dancer(s). The dancer(s) so affected will be permitted to re-dance at the discretion of the adjudication panel, or by a majority of adjudicators, where there is a judging panel. Should, in the opinion of the stage steward, having obtained medical advice if necessary, a dancer be unfit to re dance and if such dancer insists on his/her right to do so then the dancer concerned may be permitted to re-dance on completion of a declaration form exonerating the committee of liability for any consequences.
- Should a dancer lose a heel or a complete shoe he/she may stand back allowing the other dancer, where applicable, to continue dancing uninhibited. In such a case, the dancer concerned will be permitted to redance as soon as it is deemed practicable by the stage steward.
- No blocks en pointe, stationary or moving, is allowed for all ages up to and including under 12 age group, with exceptions of 11 to 12 age group who may perform who may perform this work as, and from, 1st September.
- All Graded competitions are open to all regions
- Port competitions must have both a light and heavy result where both jig types have been performed.
- Grading up rule (Effective January 1st 2009) : For those competitions where grading up occurs :Less than or equal to 20 (1 dancer grades up); 21 – 39 inclusive (2 dancers grade up) ; Greater than or equal to 40 (3 dancers grade up)

Bun Grad:

- Confined to competitors who have never previously won first place for the dance specified for that competition in any other registered competition in any other grade or under any age limit
- Dancers must perform basic material only

Tus Grad:

- Confined to competitors who have never previously won first place for the dance specified for that competition in any other registered competition in any other grade or under any age limit other than in Bun Grad
- Dancers must perform their first advanced material. This should exclude clicks, twists, swivels, cross keys, rocks etc.

Primary Grad (Munster specific criteria):

- Confined to competitors who have never previously graded out of a competition for the dance specified for that competition in any other registered competition in any other grade or under any age limit other than Bun or Tus or Primary Grade.
- Dancers can perform the same level of material acceptable in Mean or Ard Grad competition.
- Solo costumes can be worn by dancers in this grade
- Once a dancer wins a dance in Primary grade, they are no longer eligible to enter that dance in that grade again

Mean Grad:

- Confined to competitors who have never previously won first place under the upper age-limit specified for the competition (or under a higher age-limit) outside of Bun grad and Tus grad.
- A registered competition for the dance specified for the competition
- The same level of material can be performed for Mean grad as Ard Grad.
- A competition in which there are five competitors or less shall not count for grading purposes i.e. the winner of such a competition shall be entitled to dance again in a competition for the same dance in the same age group and grade. (1994).

Ard Grad:

- Open to any dancer who :
 - is a pupil of a registered teacher
 - is qualified to compete as regards age and place of residence
 - is not suspended from competitions under any rule or by a decision of An Coimisiún or a Regional Authority.
 - is entered with the permission of his teacher.
- A competition in which there are five competitors or less shall not count for grading purposes i.e. the winner of such a competition shall be entitled to dance again in a competition for the same dance in the same age group at mean grad. (2007)
- Where a dancer has won first prize and thereafter fails to win a prize for that particular dance, the teacher of that dancer may, when a period of two years has elapsed, apply to the regional council to have the dancer re-graded as a mean grad dancer.

Craobh Comortas (Championship):

- A competition may be entitled a "Championship" only when it is an Ard Grad competition and

- Is judged by at **least 3 Adjudicators**.
- Competitions, in the case of a step dancing competition are required to perform at least two dances, one of which must be a heavy dance and the other a light dance.
- U6 Craobh Comórtas are not permitted (Munster specific – Sep 1st 2015).
- All competitors will receive an award in the light round of any Craobh Comórtas competition.
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Príomh Comortas (Premier Championship):

- The title "Príomh Comortas" or Premier Championship may be ascribed to a competition in any grade judged by **one adjudicator**, where the following conditions apply:
 - **Two dances** to be performed by each competitor.
 - In a Príomh Comortas with an upper age of 8 years or less the compulsory dances must consist of either:
 - Those stipulated for the older age groups and set out above or
 - Two light dances (Munster Specific).
 - When a dancer wins First place in a Príomh Comortas competition, they are deemed to have won **both dances** in that competition, even if they are not awarded first place when individual round results are awarded.
 - U6 Championships must be Príomh Comórtas (Munster specific – Sep 1st 2015).

Preliminary Championship Ruling (Effective from Sept. 1st 2016)

- A Preliminary Championship is:
 - judged by at **least 3 Adjudicators**.
 - A Preliminary Championship must consist of 2 Rounds, 1 Light Round – Reel / Slip Jig & 1 heavy Round – Heavy Jig / Hornpipe.
- A dancer is not eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship if they have been placed First in an **Open Championship** from **1st January 2015** and the following year.
- Dancers may compete in an **Open or a Preliminary** Championship or both.
- Once a dancer qualifies for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne, they must **not** enter a Preliminary Championship They may not compete in Preliminary Championships in the year that they qualified or the following calendar year.
- **Exceptions**
- Dancers who qualify for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne where there are **five dancers or less** in their Regional Oireachtas are exempt from this ruling. They may remain in the Preliminary Championships if they so wish.
- If a dancer wins **two Preliminary Championships** from the 1st January, they are no longer eligible to enter a Preliminary Championships for the remainder of that year and the following year.
- If a dancer wins a Preliminary Championship where there are **five dancers or less** in the competition, the dancer will still be eligible to enter a Preliminary Championship.

Feis procedures

- The Feis Committee reserves the right to refuse Admission / Entry to the Feis.
- Any objections, other than those related to adjudicator's decisions, must be lodged **in writing** to the Feis Committee. There will be a fee of EUR 20 associated with such an objection. If the feis committee cannot resolve the issue satisfactorily, the objection will be forwarded to Comhairle na Mumhan.
- Any form of unauthorised 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 competition. (Jan 2005), except in Bun & Tus Grád competitions.
- The use of taped music (e.g. iPad, iPod, Tape Recorder) is permitted for Subsidiary Ceili competitions.

Feis admin

- Entries will only be accepted from teachers currently registered with An Coimisiún.
- Age is reckoned from January 1st
- The Adjudicators decision is final.
- The committee, as far as is practicable, will provide a stage surface suitable for dancing. However, the committee cannot accept any liability whatsoever for injuries sustained while on stage. The lodgement of any entry will be deemed to be an acceptance of this provision by a dancer and by his/her parent/guardian/teacher.

PLEASE ADHERE TO GOVERNMENT GUIDELINES AND MAKE THIS A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE EVENT.

Feis Erin is supporting the Government's Covid Tracker App. Download the app from covidtracker.ie



ALWAYS:



STAY AT HOME
IF FEELING SICK



OBSERVE HAND HYGIENE
& COUGHING ETIQUETTE



KEEP SOCIAL
DISTANCING