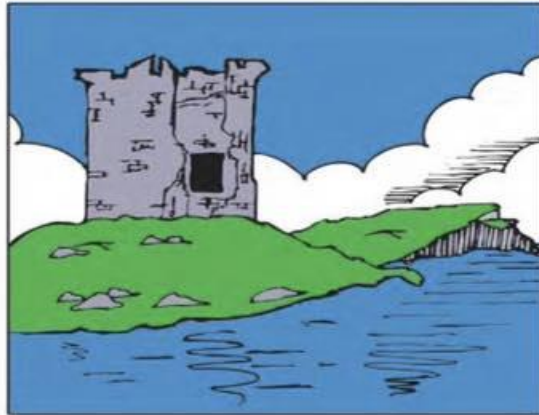


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The Connemara Championships

4th & 5th November 2023

McWilliam Park Hotel, Claremorris

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Saturday 4th November:

- Girls Championships: U10, U11, U12, U13, U14, U15, U16, 16-18, O18
- Boys Championships: U7, 7-9, 9-11, 11-13, 13-15, 15-17, O17

Sunday 5th November:

- Girls Championships: U5, U6, U7, U8, U9
- Boys Championships: U7, 7-9
- All Grade Competitions: Bun, Tus, & Mean Admission: €5

Syllabus approved by Ellen-Marie Curley, Chathaoirligh Connacht

Dear Teachers, Parents and Dancers

We are delighted to welcome you all to the 7th Connemara Championships.

The feis will take place on the 4th & 5th November in the McWilliam Park Hotel, Claremorris. This is an outstanding venue with excellent facilities allowing us to run 3 stages on Sunday for grade competitions while we will have a large championship stage to accommodate all our championship competitions. There will be a prelim for all competitions from U9 to U16 and a Non-Recall Set Competition.

Entries open from 9TH October until 1st November

Pre-Entry is required and all entries are to be done through www.entrytable.ie

- Perpetual Cup for Championship Winners
- Trophy and Sash for top 5 in Championships and Prelim
- Medal for every dancer in all reel competitions
- Trophy for top 5 in trophy dance and Sash for the winner

We look forward to welcoming you all to the McWilliam Park Hotel and our sincerest thanks in advance for your support.

Kind Regards,

Bernie & Ellen-Marie Curley

Provisional Timetable

The Connemara Championships 2022

Saturday, 4th November – Championships

9am	Under 10 Girls	Reel or Slip Jig, Jig or Hornpipe, Any Open Set (48 Bars)
	Under 11 Girls	
	9-11 Boys	Reel, Jig or Hornpipe, Any Open Set (48 Bars)
11.30pm	Under 12 girls	Reel or Slip Jig, Jig or Hornpipe, Any Open Set (48 Bars)
	Under 13 Girls	
	11-13 Boys	
3pm	Under 14 Girls	
	Under 15 Girls	
	13-15 Boys	
6pm	Under 16 Girls	
	16-18 Girls	
	O18 Girls	
	15-17 Boys	
	O17 Boys	

<15 100% Recall | 15 or more 50% Recall

Every age (U10 and up) will have a separate *Set Dance Competition* for non-recalled competitors.

- Full dances will be danced (48 bars - Reel & Heavy Jig, 40 Bars – Slip Jig & Hornpipe)
- Preliminary will be incorporated into open championship
- Choice of dances: Hornpipe or Heavy Jig/Reel or Slip Jig/Open Set
- 16-18 Girls Competition: This will be split into 16-17 and 17-18 if numbers require it

➔ **Championship - €40**

➔ **Preliminary - €45**

The Connemara Championships 2022

Sunday, 5th November

Championships & grades

Time	<u>Main Hall</u>		<u>Results Room</u>
9am	Under 8 Girls	Reel, Jig & Trad Set (48 Bars)	
	Under 9 Girls	Reel, Jig & Trad Set (48 Bars)	
	7-9 Boys	Reel, Jig & Trad Set (48 Bars)	
10am	Under 5 Girls	Reel & Jig (Single or Light Jig) (32 Bars)	<i>Results: U8 & U9 girls, U9 Boys</i>
	Under 6 Girls	Reel & Jig (Single or Light Jig) (32 Bars)	
	Under 7 Girls	Reel, Single Jig and Jig - choice of light or heavy (40 Bars)	
	Under 7 Boys	Reel, Single Jig and Jig - choice of light or heavy (40 Bars)	
			<i>Results: U5, U6, U7 girls and U7 boys</i>
11am	TINY TOTS COMPETITION		
	<u>Stage 1</u>	<u>Stage 2</u>	<u>Stage 3</u>
11.30AM BUN GRAD	Under 6, U9, O12	U7, U10	U8, U12
1.30pm TUS GRAD	U7, U10	U8, U12	U9, O12
3.30pm Mean Grad	U7, U10	U8, U12	U9, O12

- ➔ **Bungrad**: Reel, Light Jig, Single Jig, Slip Jig, **Trophy Light dance**
- ➔ **Tus Grad**: Reel, Light Jig, Single Jig, Slip Jig, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe, Trad Set, **Trophy Light Dance**
- ➔ **Mean Grad**: Reel, Light Jig, Single Jig, Slip Jig, Heavy Jig, Hornpipe, Trad Set, **Trophy Dance** (choice of any dance already danced)
- ➔ **Fees: Solo Dance €5, Trophy Dance €10**

Rule No.	Rule Detail
1	<p><u>Preliminary (8-9 years upwards) is confined to competitors:</u></p> <p>A dancer must not have placed top three in any open championship judged by three or more adjudicators.</p> <p>A dancer must not have won a preliminary championships more than two times in the current year. However, if there are 5 or less in a prelim competition the dancer is still eligible to compete in Prelim.</p> <p>A dancer must not have qualified for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne 2021, or 2022.</p> <p>Dancers having won 2 Prelim Championships may not compete in Meangrad competitions for the remainder of the year, however, if a dancer has won only 1 Prelim Championship, they can continue to compete in Meangrad with the exception of the dances which they won in Prelim.</p>
2	<p>Entries will only be accepted from dancers who teachers are currently registered with An Coimisiún le Rince Gaelacha.</p>
3	<p>Objections must be lodged in writing within 10 minutes of the results of a competition and be accompanied by a fee of €20, which will be refunded should the objection be upheld.</p>
4	<p>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 strictly prohibited.</p>
5	<p>The Adjudicator's decision is final.</p>
6	<p>The Feis Committee will not accept responsibility for personal injuries or articles lost, damaged or stolen at the Feis.</p>
7	<p>Smoking is strictly forbidden in any part of the VENUE.</p>
8	<p>The Committee, as far as practical, 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 acceptance of these rules by a dancer and his/her parents/guardian.</p>
10	<p>Committee Members only may approach the Adjudicators.</p>
11	<p>The use of fake tan, make-up, bun wigs, full wigs and solo costumes are strictly forbidden in Bungrád and Túsgrád competitions. This is a Connacht ruling and we would appreciate anyone travelling from other regions to abide by this rule.</p>
12	<p>Bungrád and Túsgrád competitions are confined to competitors who have never won 1st place for the dance specified in any registered competition in any other grade or under any age limit.</p>
13	<p>Meangrád competitions are confined to competitors who have never previously won 1st place in Meangrád or Ardgrád in any other registered competitions for the dance specified for that competition or in any solo competition designated a Championship or Príomh Comórtas under the maximum age limit specified for that Meangrád or under a higher age limit.</p>