

BLACKBURN OPEN FEIS



HERRING-CLARKE
SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCING
CHESHIRE & BLACKBURN

Saturday 8th May 2010

Shadsworth Leisure Centre

Shadsworth Road

Blackburn

BB1 2HT

Adjudicators:

Christine Angliss

Sarah Clark

Marion Flanagan

Kelley O'Boyle-McGovern

Darina White

ADCRG

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Coventry

London

Oxford

Hertfordshire

Co. Louth

Musicians:

Ann Murray

Michelle O'Leary

Merseyside

Manchester

Registered with An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha &
The North West Regional Council

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Welcome to the 2010 Blackburn Open Feis.

The Shadsworth Leisure Centre is our venue once again accommodating us with its excellent facilities. The centre is within easy reach of the M65 and has ample parking. The centre is within two miles of the town centre for all travellers using public transport. Once again we have use of the kitchens to provide our usual high standard of catering for all. The tea bar over looks the swimming pool and parents & children may wish to avail of the facilities at a reasonable charge as detailed in the Leisure Centre.

We extend a warm welcome to Feiswear Dance Stall & Vanda Collins Accessories, who will be with us throughout the day.

Thanks are extended to all families & friends of the Herring-Clarke (Blackburn) School of Irish Dancing for their help and support with the organisation of the 2010 Feis. Thanks also to Shadsworth Leisure Centre Staff and the Zoe Taylor Dance Academy for the use of the first floor facilities.

Feis Organisers

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Entry Fees

ENTRY FEES ARE PAYABLE ON THE DAY

Solo	£3.00	Light & Heavy Trophy	£4.00
Figure/Ceili	£2.00 per dancer	Premier Trophy	£4.00
Family Fee	£35.00 (maximum)	Door Admission	£4.00
		Concessions	£3.00

Feis & Syllabus Registration

THIS FEIS HAS BEEN REGISTERED WITH AN COIMISIUN LE RINCI GAELACHA AND THE NORTH WEST REGIONAL COUNCIL

THE SYLLABUS IS APPROVED BY

Nicola King (ADCRG)

**FEIS SECRETARY
North West Regional Council**

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STANDARD RULES FOR ALL NORTH WEST FEISANNA

Entry Requirements:

1. Ages to be taken from 1st January 2010.
2. Entries will only be accepted from schools currently registered with An Coimisiun.
3. Lodgement of entries at a Feis implies that you accept the rules relating to the Feis in their entirety as laid down by the NWRC and An Coimisiun Le Rinci Gaelacha.

Adjudicators & Musicians:

4. The adjudicators decisions are final. The adjudicators should not be approached by any persons other than the Feis Committee.
5. Pupils of an adjudicator employed at a particular Feis may not take part in the Feis even if the adjudicator is judging alternative age groups.
6. Any adjudicator cannot judge an Open Feis in the North West Region within 6 months of their last adjudication in the region.
7. An adjudicator from outside the North West Region may not adjudicate a Class Feis in the North West Region in the 6 months leading up to adjudicating an Open Feis in the Region.
8. All musicians used should be competent and willing to abide by the prescribed metronomic speeds of An Coimisiun.

Novice & Primary Grade:

9. There will be a Novice Reel/Hop Jig up to an including the Under 11 Age Group. Only the most basic Reel/Hop Jig may be performed in this grade. A child entering the Novice Reel/Hop jig cannot enter the Primary Reel/Hop Jig.
10. All Primary and Novice competitions are confined to the North West Region.
11. Any dancer who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Novice must move up to Primary.
12. Any competition in which there are 5 or less dancers shall not count for grading purposes. However, a dancer may only win 3 such competitions and they then must move up to the next grade.
13. There will be no restriction on the step content performed in the Primary grade.
14. A Primary dancer is one who has never won a 1st in that particular dance.
15. From 1st January 2007, if there are more than 20 competitors in any Primary solo competition then 1st, 2nd and 3rd placed dancers must move up to the next grade. If there are 20 or less competitors, then only the 1st placed dancer will be required to move up to the next grade. Please note this applies to solo primary competitions only.
16. Primary Trophy competitions are confined to dancers who have never won a Primary Trophy. Any light dance can be performed for the trophy but it must have been danced in the Novice and Primary section on the day of the Feis.
17. A winner of a Primary Trophy competition must move up to the next grade for both the dance they performed to win the Trophy and the Trophy competition itself.
18. As from 1st September 2006, only skirts and tops or a simple class costume may be worn in the Novice and Primary Grades.
19. Make up will not be permitted for any dancer in the first two grades (Novice & Primary) up to and including the Under 12 Age Group worldwide.
20. At any one Feis, a Primary dancer may only dance each Solo dance once, one Light Trophy and one Heavy Trophy.
21. In the event of there being no provision for a particular age group, a dancer may dance up an age group. However, on attaining 1st place in any dance, that dancer must remain in the higher grade for that dance for the remainder of the year.

STANDARD RULES FOR ALL NORTH WEST FEISANNA - Continued

Intermediate Grade:

22. An Intermediate dancer is one who has never won a first place in that particular dance in their present age group.
23. Intermediate Trophy competitions are confined to dancers who have never won an Intermediate Trophy in their present age group. Any Light Dance can be performed for the Trophy but it must have been danced in the Intermediate section on the day of the Feis.
24. A winner of an Intermediate Trophy competition must move up to the next grade for both the dance they performed to win the Trophy and the Trophy competition itself.
25. At any one Feis, an Intermediate dancer may only dance each Solo dance once, one Light Trophy and one Heavy Trophy, with the exception of Intermediate dancers wishing to enter the Premier Trophy or Championship.
26. In the event of there being no provision for a particular age group, then a dancer may dance up an age group. However on attaining 1st place in any dance, that dancer must remain in the higher grade for that dance for the remainder of the year.
27. Any competition in which there are 5 or less dancers shall not count for grading purposes. However, a dancer may only win 3 such competitions and they then must move up to the next grade.

Open Grade:

28. With the exception of the Under 6 & Under 7 Age Groups, any dancer who has won an Open Championship before a panel of three adjudicators must dance Open. (This does not include Boy's Championships.)
29. In all age groups (with the exception of the Under 6 & Under 7,) competitors must have performed 1 light dance and 2 heavy dances to be eligible for the Premier Trophy/Championship.
30. The wording "Championship" will only be used where there is a panel of 3 Adjudicators.

All Grades:

31. No block, en pointe, whilst stationary or moving will be allowed to be performed by any dancers up to and including the Under 11 Age Group. The Under 12 Age Group is also governed by this rule **up until 1st September each year** after which they are permitted to perform the movement.
32. Dancers must dance in their own age group for solo competitions if that age group is provided for.
33. 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.

Figure Dancing:

34. Figure teams may contain up to 50% from a lower age group.

General Feis Rules:

35. Any protest against breach of rules must be made in writing, within 1 hour of the conclusion of the relevant competition and accompanied by a fee of £10.00, which will be refunded should the objection upheld.
36. Medals will be awarded in accordance with the minimum requirements as laid down by the NWRRC.

1 medal where there is 3 competitors	2 medals where there are 5 competitors
3 medals where there are 7 competitors	4 medals where there are 10 competitors and
1 medal for each additional 10 or part of 10 competitors.	
37. The Feis Organiser reserves the right to cancel any competition should there be insufficient entries.
38. In the interest of Health, hairspray and any other aerosols must not be used in any of the dancing areas.
39. In accordance with the ruling laid down by An Coimisiun and in the interest of safety, dancers are asked to be suitably dressed at all times and should not undress in the competition halls.
40. Mobile phones and electronic games must be switched off in all of the dancing areas.
41. Abusive language and offensive behaviour will not be tolerated. Any person acting in such a way will be asked to leave the Feis.
42. Feis Organisers will, as far as is practicable, provide a stage surface suitable for dancing. However, the Feis Organisers cannot accept liability for injuries sustained whilst on the dancing areas. The lodgement of an entry will be deemed to be an acceptance of this provision by a dancer.
43. If parents have any constructive comments to make about any aspect of Feisanna, these would be welcomed by the council and should be put in writing. It should be noted that anonymous correspondence cannot be dealt with.
44. 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.

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~ GRADE DANCES ~

NOVICE & PRIMARY COMPETITIONS

	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U13	13&O	
NOVICE REEL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
NOVICE HOP JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
PRIMARY REEL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
PRIMARY HOP JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
LIGHT JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
SLIP JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
LIGHT TROPHY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	ANY LIGHT DANCE – SEE RULE 16
HEAVY JIG		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
HORNPIPE		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
HEAVY TROPHY		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE
TRADITIONAL SET							✓	✓	

INTERMEDIATE COMPETITIONS

	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	15&O	
REEL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
HOP JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
LIGHT JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
SLIP JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
LIGHT TROPHY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	AS ABOVE
HEAVY JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
HORNPIPE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
HEAVY TROPHY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	AS ABOVE

OPEN COMPETITIONS

	U6	U7	U8	U9	U10	U11	U12	U13	U14	U15	U16/U18/SENIOR	
REEL	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
HOP JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
LIGHT JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
SLIP JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
HEAVY JIG	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
HORNPIPE	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
TREBLE REEL											✓	✓
OPEN SET		✓										
PREMIER TROPHY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

PREMIER TROPHY DANCES -

U6 & U7 ~
U8 - U15 ~
U16 - SENIOR ~

REEL & LIGHT JIG
REEL & HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE
REEL OR SLIP JIG & HEAVY JIG OR HORNPIPE
(Step About – Subject to Organisers/ADCRG only**)**

FIGURE DANCES

U13 }
13&O } 2 HAND REEL / 3 HAND REEL / 4 HAND DANCE / FAIRY REEL / PROGRESSIVE DANCE / 8 HAND DANCE
(ALL DANCES TO BE TAKEN FROM AN RINCI FOIRNE – FIGURE DANCE TEACHERS OWN INVENTION.)

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2009 PREMIER TROPHY WINNERS

U6 Age Group <small>Peter Keegan Cup</small>	Trinity Halliwell	Morgan, Manchester
U7 Age Group <small>Brendan Cassidy Cup</small>	Emily Concannon	Duggan, Co Mayo
U8 Age Group	Ruari McCabe	Morgan, Manchester
U9 Age Group	Devon Murphy	Morgan, Manchester
U10 Age Group	Shannon Flannagn	Lally, Manchester
U11 Age Group <small>Mary Gallagher Cup</small>	Ciara Loughran	King Academy, Merseyside
U12 Age Group	Shannah Spry	Pheonix, Manchester
U13 Age Group	Sophie Garside	Ward-Mallinson, Manchester
U14 Age Group	Sophie Comer	Burke, Manchester
U15 Age Group <small>Teresa Dudley Cup</small>	Rachel Thompson	Clann Na Gael, Newcastle
U16 Age Group <small>Bridie Harrington Cup</small>	Kieran McLaughlin	McLaughlin, Manchester
U18 Age Group <small>John O'Brien Cup</small>	Amy Regan	King Academy, Merseyside
Senior Age Group <small>McCormack Cup</small>	Rebecca Loughran	King Academy, Merseyside

Could all 2009 Premier Trophy winners ensure that cups are returned prior to the commencement of the appropriate age group.

Directions & Accommodation

1. M65 Exit at Junction 5 signposted Haslingden & Shadsworth A6177.
2. At roundabout follow signs for Shadsworth A6177.
3. At the next roundabout take 2nd exit (straight on) following sign for Shadsworth Leisure Centre.
4. At next roundabout (Beehive) continue straight ahead.
5. At next roundabout (JJB) continue straight ahead.
6. At next roundabout turn right into Shadsworth Road (A6130).
7. Continue along Shadsworth Road, go straight on at the roundabout going past Blakewater College (A6130).
8. At the mini roundabout turn right into Shadsworth Leisure Centre.
9. Parking attendants will advise you where to park.

Travelling from the Railway Station or Boulevard – Bus numbers 9
(Depart Bus at “Set End Stop” – 1 minute from Shadsworth Leisure Centre)

~ Hotels ~

Travelodge Blackburn M65 Hotel
M65 Motorway Junction 4,
Motorway Service Area, Darwen
Blackburn BB3 0AT

Premier Travel Inn
Riversway Drive
Off Eccleshill Road
Lower Darwen
Blackburn BB3 0SR
Tel – 08701 977 187

Tel – 0870 191 1622

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~ TIMETABLE ~

~ PLEASE NOTE TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE DUE TO ENTRIES BEING TAKEN ON THE DAY ~

TIME	FLOOR A	FLOOR B	FLOOR C	FLOOR D	TIME	FLOOR E UPSTAIRS
8.45	U8 Novice/ Primary	U9 Novice/ Primary	U10 Novice/ Primary	U11 Novice/ Primary	9.00	U6 Novice & Primary
10.30	U8 Inter	U9 Inter	U10 Inter	U11 Inter	9.30	U6 Open
12.00	U8 Open	U9 Open	U10 Open	U11 Open	10.00	U7 Novice & Primary
	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	10.45	U7 Inter
3.45	Senior Open	U18 Open	U16 Open	15 & Over Inter	11.30	U7 Open
5.00	U12 Inter	U13 Inter	U14 Inter	U15 Inter		LUNCH
6.30	U12 Open	U13 Open	U14 Open	U15 Open	1.00	U13 Primary
					2.00	13 & Over Primary
					3.30	U13 Figures O13 Figures

Organisers reserve the right to bring forward competitions by 20minutes (if required.)

All dancers please be ready to dance 20minutes prior to the start of their competition.