

# THE NORTH WEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

QUALIFYING EVENT FOR  
OIREACHTAS RINCE NA CRUINNE 2008

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2007**  
**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2007**  
**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2007**

**Wythenshawe Forum Centre  
Forum Square  
Simonsway  
Wythenshawe  
Manchester. M22 5RX**

## **ADJUDICATORS**

Hilary Joyce (London)  
Annette Doolan (Dublin)  
Sylvan Kelly (Mayo)

## **MUSICIANS**

Majella Collins (London)  
Orfhlaith Ni Bhrian (Limerick)

## **ENTRIES**

Solo Championships £ 20.00  
Ceili Championships £ 5.00 (per dancer)

**Closing Date: Friday 19th October 2007**

**CHEQUES TO BE MADE PAYABLE TO:** The North West Regional Council

## **ENTRIES TO:**

Andrea Field, 40 Mayfair Close, Harworth. Doncaster. S. Yorkshire. DN11 8PY

# RULES OF THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. Ages to be taken from January 1st 2007.
2. All competitions are open only to those dancers residing in the North West Region.
3. Entries to be received no later than **FRIDAY 19th OCTOBER 2006** entries received after this date will be subject to double fees.
4. All entries must be accompanied by fees, entries without fees will be returned.
5. Entries will only be accepted from teachers currently registered with An Coimisiun.
6. The Adjudicators decisions are final.
7. Any objection should be put in writing, signed by a registered teacher and accompanied by a fee of £10, which will be refunded should the objection be upheld.
8. The Adjudicators should not be approached by anyone other than members of the Council.
9. The use of video cameras is prohibited at all times.
10. Figure Teams may contain up to 50% from a lower age group (or up 75% with prior permission from the Council) and dancers may only dance in one team per age group unless one team is mixed and the other girls.
11. All championships will be adjudicated by the official panel of 3 adjudicators and the World Marking System will be in operation.
12. All Championships are perpetual and must be signed for and returned in good condition in sufficient time for the relevant age group. The cost of any damage must be met by the recipient of the trophy.
13. Dancers should collect their numbers on arrival and are requested to be in the hall ready to dance at least 30 minutes before the start of their competition.
14. Dancers will not be allowed to dance out of numerical order. Any dancer not backstage ready to dance in the correct order will lose their right to dance.
15. Smoking will not be allowed in the hall, a separate area will be designated for those who wish to smoke.
16. The youngest age group for qualifying championships is 9-10years, i.e children under 9 years of age on January 1st 2007 will not be eligible.
17. As the 9-10 year age group is now a one year group, the maximum number of qualifiers allowed will be ten.
18. Dancers in the over 18 age groups will be required to qualify. The number of qualifiers permitted in these groups will be five for the first ten (or part of ten) competitors plus one additional qualifier for each five (or part of five) competitors in excess of the first ten reckonable competitors, with a maximum of 10 only.

19. The number of qualifiers in age groups below under 18 will be three in the first ten (or part of ten) competitors plus one additional qualifier for each ten (or part of ten) competitors in excess of the first ten reckonable competitors, with a maximum of 10 only.
20. Any Dancer who achieved a medal winning position at Oireachtas Rince Na Cruinne 2007 will not count as a qualifier in the final result and therefore an extra place will be given in that particular age group.
21. In the interest of Health, hairspray and other aerosols must not be used in the theatre.
22. In the interest of safety, dancers are asked to be suitably dressed at all times.
23. Mobile phones and electronic games must be switched off whilst in the Theatre.
24. Lodgement of an entry implies that you accept the rules relating to the Feis in their entirety as laid down by the NWRC and An Coimisiun.
25. Abusive language and offensive behaviour will not be tolerated. Any person acting in such a way will be asked to leave the premises.
26. 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.
27. No block, en pointe, stationary or moving, will be allowed to be performed by any dancers up to and including the Under 11 age group.
28. Any dancer who achieves a qualifying place and does not take their place at the World Championships in Belfast may not be allowed to enter the North West Regional Qualifying the following year. If the failure was for a medical reason, then please notify the council in writing with proof of illness/injury as soon as possible. All such cases will be judged upon their own merit.
29. If parents have any constructive comments to make about any aspects 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 by the council.

Please note ages are to be taken from January 1st 2007

## Solo Championships

Comp.  
No.

3	Mixed Under 8	Born 1999 or later	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Hornpipe
4	Girls 8-9	Born 1998	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Hornpipe
5	Girls 9-10	Born 1997	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
6	Girls 10-11	Born 1996	Slip Jig & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
7	Girls 11-12	Born 1995	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
8	Girls 12-13	Born 1994	Slip Jig & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
9	Girls 13-14	Born 1993	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
10	Girls 14-15	Born 1992	Slip Jig & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
11	Girls 15-16	Born 1991	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
12	Girls 16-17	Born 1990	Slip Jig & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
13	Girls 17-18	Born 1989	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
14	Ladies 18-20	Born 1988 or 1987	Slip Jig & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
15	Ladies Over 20	Born 1986 or earlier	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
16	Boys 8-9	Born 1998	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Hornpipe
17	Boys 9-10	Born 1997	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
18	Boys 10-11	Born 1996	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
19	Boys 11-12	Born 1995	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
20	Boys 12-13	Born 1994	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
21	Boys 13-14	Born 1993	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
22	Boys 14-15	Born 1992	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
23	Boys 15-16	Born 1991	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
24	Boys 16-17	Born 1990	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
25	Boys 17-18	Born 1989	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance
26	Men 18-20	Born 1988 or 1987	Reel & Hornpipe: Recall Set Dance
27	Men Over 20	Born 1986 or earlier	Reel & Heavy Jig: Recall Set Dance

**DANCERS Under 8 & 8-9 ARE TO PERFORM 40 BARS IN THE REEL & HEAVY JIG AND 32 BARS IN THE HORNPIPE**

**DANCERS 9-10 UPWARDS ARE TO PERFORM 48 BARS IN THE REEL, 40 BARS IN THE SLIP JIG AND HEAVY JIG AND 32 BARS IN THE HORNPIPE.**

**\* \* \* RECALL SET DANCES ARE OF THE DANCERS CHOICE \* \* \***

**PLEASE NOTE THE AGE GROUPS Under 8 AND 8-9 ARE NOT QUALIFYING AGE GROUPS BUT THEY WILL STILL BE COMPETING FOR THE NORTH WEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP.**

# **Ceili Championships**

28	Under 12 Girls	1 Dance only required (from the dances specified by An Coimisiun for Oireachtas Rince Na Cruinne 2007).
29	Under 12 Mixed	
30	Under 15 Girls	
31	Under 15 Mixed	Part A to be performed.
32	Senior Girls	
33	Senior Mixed	The names and dates of birth of all Team members must be included on entry form.
34	Adult Ceili *	

- \* Teams entered for Competition 34 (Adult Ceili) must be entered in accordance with Rules 2 and 5. Members of Adult Ceili Teams must not have competed in either Solo, figure or Ceili competitions, at feiseanna registered under the auspices of An Coimisiun le Rinci Gaelacha since January 1<sup>st</sup> 2004.

## **DIRECTIONS**

**A couple of minutes walk from the town centre and bus station, the Forum is easy to reach on foot, by bus or by car. The Forum is situated 9 miles from Manchester City Centre and only 5 minutes drive from Manchester Airport.**

**There is free car parking for over 300 cars and adequate parking for coaches also.**

### **From M60 and City Centre**

- Follow signs to M56
- From M56 leave at junction 4 signposted for Wythenshawe
- Turn left at top of slip road (at traffic lights) onto Simonsway
- Continue straight past Parklands school (on the left hand side) to a set of traffic lights
- Bear right, still on Simonsway
- At the next lights turn left into the Forum (just past the police station)

### **From M56 (the South)**

- From M56 leave at junction 3
- Complete a 360° turn and re-enter M56 South bound
- Leave at junction 4 signposted for Wythenshawe
- Turn left at top of slip road (at traffic lights) onto Simonsway
- Continue straight past Parklands school (on the left hand side) to a set of traffic lights
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