
Michael Patrick Gallagher School of Irish Dance, WY
Proudly Hosts

THE COWBOY STATE FEIS



BLACKOUT FEIS

Friday, June 7th 2024

*Best Western Downtown (Hotel AND Venue)
123 West E Street - Casper, WY 82601*

*Reservations/Direct Phone (307) 439-2074 – Rate: \$91 per night
(mention “Irish Dance” and book by May 5th for Feis rate, includes breakfast)*

Member of An Coimisiun, Dublin, Ireland

Register online @ www.feisworx.com Entry Deadline: Fri, May 24th, 2024

Check-in: Friday 4:30 ~ Competitions begin at 5:00

****All competitors are encouraged, but not required, to dance in blackout. ****

Friday Night Cap – 100PC/OC, 100 Grades

Adjudicators:

*Rebecca Bell - Canada
Katie Dean -CA
Kathy Dennehy – IL*

*Sondra Greene - CA
Sarah Irwin-Groenewoud - Canada
John Jennings - NY*

Musicians:

*Roan Fraser – CO
Chris McLoughlin– NJ*

*Sponsored by the Irish Dance Association of Central WY
A non-profit organization dedicated to promoting Irish Culture*

Solo Competitions

Traditional Hardshoe is required for Beginners 1 and 2, per Western US Regional Standard Syllabus. First Feis is only open to dancers who have never competed at a feis.

| <u>First Feis</u> | <u>U7</u> | | <u>U9</u> | | <u>U11</u> | <u>11&O</u> |
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| Reel | 001 | | 005 | | 010 | 015 |
| Light Jig | 002 | | 006 | | 011 | 016 |

Limited to dancers who have never competed before.



| <u>Beginner 1</u> | <u>U7</u> | | <u>U9</u> | | <u>U11</u> | <u>11 & O</u> | | |
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| Reel | 101 | | 111 | | 121 | 131 | | |
| Light Jig | 102 | | 112 | | 122 | 132 | | |
| Slip Jig | 103 | | 113 | | 123 | 133 | | |
| Single Jig | 104 | | 114 | | 124 | 134 | | |
| Treble Jig | 105 | | 115 | | 125 | 135 | | |
| Hornpipe | 106 | | 116 | | 126 | 136 | | |
| St. Patrick's Day | 107 | | 117 | | 127 | 137 | | |

***Open to dancers who have never won 1st of 5-9, or 1st or 2nd of 10 or more in dance entered.**

| <u>Beginner 2</u> | <u>U7</u> | | <u>U9</u> | | <u>U11</u> | <u>11 & O</u> | | |
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| Reel | 201 | | 211 | | 221 | 231 | | |
| Light Jig | 202 | | 212 | | 222 | 232 | | |
| Slip Jig | 203 | | 213 | | 223 | 233 | | |
| Single Jig | 204 | | 214 | | 224 | 234 | | |
| Treble Jig | 205 | | 215 | | 225 | 235 | | |
| Hornpipe | 206 | | 216 | | 226 | 236 | | |
| St. Patrick's Day | 207 | | 217 | | 227 | 237 | | |

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| <u>Novice</u> | | <u>U9</u> | | <u>U11</u> | | <u>U13</u> | <u>13 & O</u> | |
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| Reel | | 311 | | 321 | | 341 | 351 | |
| Light Jig | | 312 | | 322 | | 342 | 352 | |
| Slip Jig | | 313 | | 323 | | 343 | 353 | |
| Single Jig | | 314 | | 324 | | 344 | 354 | |
| Treble Jig | | 315 | | 325 | | 345 | 355 | |
| Hornpipe | | 316 | | 326 | | 346 | 356 | |
| Traditional Set | | 317 | | 327 | | 347 | 357 | |

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| <u>Prizewinner</u> | | <u>U9</u> | | <u>U11</u> | | <u>U13</u> | <u>U15</u> | <u>15 & O</u> |
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| Reel | | 411 | | 421 | | 441 | 461 | 471 |
| Light Jig | | 412 | | 422 | | 442 | 462 | 472 |
| Slip Jig | | 413 | | 423 | | 443 | 463 | 473 |
| Single Jig | | 414 | | 424 | | 444 | 464 | 474 |
| Treble Jig | | 415 | | 425 | | 445 | 465 | 475 |
| Hornpipe | | 416 | | 426 | | 446 | 466 | 476 |
| Traditional Set | | 417 | | 427 | | 447 | 467 | 477 |

Open to dancers not in Championship.

CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS

All Championship Dancers will compete two at a time.

Preliminary Championships will consist of 2 rounds:

48 bars Reel/40 bars Slip Jig, and 40 bars Hornpipe/48 bars Treble Jig.

Open Championships will consist of 3 rounds:

48 bars Reel/40 bars Slip Jig, and 40 bars Hornpipe/48 bars Treble Jig, and set dance.

All U9 Open Champion Dancers **MUST** dance Traditional Set.

Adult Championships will consist of 3 rounds:

48 bars Reel/40 bars Slip Jig, and 40 bars Hornpipe/48 bars Treble Jig, and traditional set.

Advanced Adult Championships will consist of 3 rounds:

48 bars Reel/40 bars Slip Jig, and 40 bars Hornpipe/48 bars Treble Jig, and set dance.

Any competition with fewer than 5 competitors may be combined with next higher age group.

Preliminary Champs

| <u>U9</u> | <u>U10</u> | <u>U11</u> | <u>U12</u> | <u>U13</u> | <u>U14</u> | <u>U15</u> | <u>U16</u> | <u>16 & O</u> |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|
| 709 | 710 | 711 | 712 | 713 | 714 | 715 | 716 | 717 |

Open to dancers who have not won 3 firsts overall in Preliminary Championships.

| <u>Open</u> | <u>Champs</u> | | | | | | | |
|-------------|---------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------------|
| <u>U9</u> | <u>U10</u> | <u>U11</u> | <u>U12</u> | <u>U13</u> | <u>U14</u> | <u>U15</u> | <u>U17</u> | <u>17 & O</u> |
| 719 | 720 | 721 | 722 | 723 | 724 | 725 | 727 | 728 |

Open to Championship level dancers.

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| Adult Championship (Three Rounds) | 699 |
| Advanced Adult Championship (Three Rounds) | 799 |

| <u>Adult</u> | <u>Beginner</u> | <u>Novice/PW</u> | |
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| Reel | 601 | 610 | |
| Light Jig | 602 | 611 | |
| Slip Jig | 603 | 612 | |
| Single Jig | 604 | 613 | |
| Treble Jig | 605 | 614 | |
| Hornpipe | 606 | 615 | |
| St Patrick's Day | 607 | | |
| Traditional Set | | 616 | |

| <u>Paddy Ellis Blind Man's Blackout</u> | |
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| Treble Reel – U13 | 906 |
| Treble Reel – 13 & O | 907 |
| All Level dancers – 1 step DTL. | |

| <u>Music - Fiddle</u> | <u>U8</u> | <u>U12</u> | <u>U15</u> | <u>U18</u> | <u>18&O</u> |
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| Beginner | 970 | 972 | 975 | 978 | 979 |
| Advanced | 980 | 982 | 985 | 988 | 989 |

Tune Selection - Jigs, Reels, Polkas, Marches, Hornpipes, Airs.



Note: NO videotaping or flash photography of dance competitions permitted.

Dancing Competition Rules

1. Cowboy State Feis is registered with and will follow the rules of the Western US Regional Council and the Irish Dance Teachers' Association of North America.
2. Dancer's age is determined as of January 1st.
3. First Feis competitions are open only to dancers who have never competed at a feis. Dancer may only enter First Feis once even in the case of back-to-back Feisianna.
4. Competitions of four or fewer competitors may be combined; sixteen or more competitors may be split by age if there are a minimum of five dancers in each age group.
5. Competitors must be at the stage, prepared to dance, at least fifteen minutes prior to the beginning of their scheduled event.
6. Dancers who appear in competitions in which they are not entered and paid will not be eligible for placement or awards.
7. When awards are announced, competitors must be in costume, including dance shoes, to receive their awards. Only Championship and Specials will be announced and given in person. Results for Grades will be posted and available on Feisworx. There will be a designated area to pick up awards for Grades. Awards will not be mailed.
8. Championship competitions are awarded by the entire adjudicator panel; individual rounds will be awarded based on one, randomly selected, adjudicator's scores as in solo competitions.
9. Blackout Guidelines: Competitions will be danced in appropriate black shirts and black skirts with black spankies/tights for girls or black shorts/pants for boys. To meet CLRG considerations, "appropriate" is defined as not too short (mid-thigh length is appropriate), not too tight, no scooped necklines, no sleeveless or cap sleeve tops and no specific school identification by lettering, words or symbol.
10. Music Competition Guidelines: Beginner (played for one year or less) - plays two tunes of contrasting tempo. Advanced - plays three tunes of contrasting tempo from the selection of tunes. The Selection of Tunes are Jigs (Single Jig / Double Jigs / Slip Jigs), Reels, Polkas, Marches, Hornpipes and Airs. No amplified instruments allowed.
11. Definition of Adults & Advanced Adults:
 - a. Adults: Dancers who started after the age of 18, or who have been out of competitions for 5 years.
 - b. Advanced Adults: Anyone age 18 or older who has previously placed in the top 3 of a Prelim Championship or competed in Open Champ levels in the youth/& over levels regardless of when the competitor was active. An Advanced Adult dancer has opted to leave youth/& over categories and once the dancer begins competing in Advanced Adult, the dancer may not return to youth/& over categories. Advanced Adult Championships at NAIDC 2024 and WUSR 2024 will dance Reel/Hornpipe. In 2025, Advanced Adults shall follow the rotation of dances for the Senior Ladies/Men age groups. For the recall round, set of choice will be performed
12. Beginner Figures are open only to dancers in beginner for at least one solo dance.
13. Open Figures are open to all grade levels.
14. The Michael Patrick Gallagher School of Irish Dance, the Irish Dance Association of Central Wyoming, the Feis Committee and anyone associated with the Committee in putting on the Feis, shall not be held responsible or liable for any personal injury, property loss or damage incurred before, during, or after the Feis, by any participants or by anyone attending the event. By entering the feis, the entrant and/or the entrant's parent or legal guardian agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the above-mentioned parties from any liabilities or personal injury as a result of the entrant's participation.

Please register online @ www.feisworx.com

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| Prelim Championships | \$40 (2rd) |
| Open/Adult Championships | \$55 (3rd) |
| Solo Light Shoe Flat Fee | \$20 |
| Solo Hard Shoe Flat Fee | \$20 |
| Family Admission Fee | \$25 |

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| Late Entry Fee (after 5/24/24) | \$30 |
| Feix Worx Service Fee | \$ 7.75 |
| Figures Flat Fee | \$10 |
| Cowboy State Feis Specials | \$10 |
| Art Competitions | \$ 5 |
| Day of Feis Changes | \$25 |

**Family Max \$150 (excludes Special/Cultural, Admission, Late, Service and Change fees)
Online payment only – Entry/payment deadline 5/24/24. Entry fees are non-refundable.**