

Féile Rince Mhaigheo

An Comisiún le Rinci Gaelacha



10th and 11th October 2026
Town Hall Theatre Claremorris

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Welcome!

Dear Teachers and Parents,

On behalf of the *Turley Duggan Academy of Irish Dancing* we look forward to welcoming you to our 15th Open Feis. We are delighted to hold our Feis in Claremorris Town Hall. It is situated within easy reach of Knock Airport and is very accessible by road.

- Preliminary and Open Championships will be adjudicated by a panel of 3 adjudicators.
- Perpetual Cup for winner of each meangrad, open and preliminary championship.
- Top 5 dancers in all championships will receive sashes and trophies.
- A separate boy's competition will be run if there are five or more boys entered.
- Championship sized stage with non-slip covering.
- Grade competitions are open to all regions!
- Stars of the Future competition! Aimed at dancers who may not be 100% ready for a feis. They may be accompanied by a teacher/parent for 16-24 bars of a reel. Each dancer will receive a special prize!
- Buckles and Bling will be present over the weekend.
- Admission €5.00.
- The timetable is approximate, but every effort will be made to avoid any unnecessary delays.
- Parade of Champions for top 3 dancers in Meangrád and Open (time permitting) with special prize for winners.

We hope you all enjoy the feis!

Caroline, Marion, Róisín, Caroline, Molly, Shóna, Tricia Kay, Zoe and Angela



Check out our Facebook Page "Féile Rince Mhaigheo 2026" for Live Updates, Results and Pictures over the weekend!



Grades

Bun Grád

Age groups: Under 6, 6-7, 7-8, 8-9, 9-10, 10-12, over 12

Dances: Ril, Port Luasca, Port Eadtrom, Port Singil.

Trophy Dance: any light dance (must compete in dance as solo)

Tús Grád

Age groups: Under 6, 6-7, 7-8, 8-9, 9-10, 10-12, over 12

Dances: Ril, Port Luasca, Port Eadtrom, Port Singil, Port Trom, Cornpiopa

Trophy Light Dance: any light dance (must compete in dance as solo)

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Mean Grád

Age groups: Under 6, 6-7, 7-8, 8-9, 9-10, 10-11, 11-12, 12-14, over 14

Dances: Ril, Port Luasca, Port Eadtrom, Port Singil, Port Trom, Cornpiopa, Seit Tradisiúnta.

Mean Grád Príomh Comortas:

U6/6-7: Any two light dances

7-8 upwards: Any heavy dance and Any Light dance (Heavy will be danced first)

Translation	
Ril	Reel
Port Luasca	Slip jig
Port Eadtrom	Light jig
Port Singil	Single jig
Port Trom	Heavy jig
Cornpiopa	Hornpipe
Seit Tradisiúnta	Trad Set

Born	Age
2020	u-6
2019	6-7
2018	7-8
2017	8-9
2016	9-10
2015	10-11
2014	11-12
2013	12-13
2012	13-14
2011	14-15

Preliminary (8-9 to 15-16) and Open Championships

Under 5 Solos: Ril, Port Luasca, Port Eadtrom, Port Singil

Under 5 Champ: Ril

Age 5-6: Ril, Port Eadtrom & Port Singil

Age 6-7: Ril, Port Singil & Port

Age 7-8 and 8-9: Ril, Port & Seit Tradisiúnta

Age 9-10 upwards: Ril/Port Luasca & Port Trom/Cornpiopa & Recall Seit Nua

Preliminary championship will be incorporated in the open championships.

Entry Fees : (please contact us via email for family fee)

Ardgrád Championship €40 (Under 5 Championship €10)

Ardgrád Championship including Preliminary Championship €45

Bungrád, Tusgrád and Meangrád solos €5 per dance

Bungrád/Túsgrád trophy dance €10

Meangrád Príomh Comortas €20 (includes 3 results)

Stars of the Future €10

Entries are now open. Entries close 6pm Monday 5th October 2026

Entries by Feis Connect via the following link:

<https://forms.gle/o8fcFBWxANFYozti6>

Timetable

Saturday October 10 th			
Time	Preliminary and Open Championships		
9am	7-8 8-9		
10am	11-12 12-13		
1.30pm	9-10 10-11		
3.30pm	13-14 14-15 15-16		
6pm	16-17 17-18 Over 18		
Sunday October 11 th			
Time	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3
9am Bun	u-6	6-7	7-8
10am Bun	8-9	9-10	10-12, Over 12
11am Tús	u-6	6-7	7-8
12pm Tús	8-9	9-10	10-12, Over 12
1pm Mean	u-6	6-7	7-8
3pm	★ ★ Stars of the Future ★ ★ u-5 solos and championship u-6 open championship 6-7 open championship		
4pm Mean	8-9 11-12	9-10 12-14	10-11 Over 14

Rialacha

1. Age reckoned from January 1st 2026.
2. Entries will only be accepted from teachers currently registered with An Comisiún le Rinci Gaelacha.
3. No refunds except in the case that the event does not run.
4. The adjudicator's decision is final.
5. Objections must be lodged in writing within one hour of the announcement of a competition & be accompanied by a fee of €30 which will be refunded should the objection be valid.
6. The feis committee as far as is 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 this made by the dancer & his/her parent(s) or guardian(s).
7. The feis committee reserve the right to refuse feis entries and refuse entrance to the venue.
8. The feis committee reserve the right to move competitions/results to a different stage or alternate age groups to ensure the smooth running of the event.
9. Photography:
 - o Any form of unauthorised photography that has the capability to capture a dancer's image whilst in motion, using electronic or manual means e.g. mobile phone, standard camera, video camera, with or without flash enhancement, is forbidden during all competitions.
 - o Awards presentation photos will be put on the organising feis Social Media page. If you do not wish your child to be on this page you must inform the organisers of the feis before the awards are made.
 - o Videoing of competitions is strictly forbidden.
10. In prelim and open competitions up to and including under 10, make up (including false lashes and face-tan) is not permitted.
11. No block/en point (stationary or moving) permitted for all ages up to and including under 12 with the exception of dancers who will be competing in the 12-13 age group next year (2027), who will be exempt from this rule from 1st September 2026.
12. Music Speeds:

Grade	Reel	Light Jig	Single Jig	Slip Jig	Heavy Jig	Hornpipe
Bun Grád	122 - 124	116	124	124		
Tús Grád	116 - 118	116	124	120	84	130
Mean/Árd Grád	113	116	124	113	73	113

13. Costumes:
 - o Length of costumes must adhere to principles of modesty and enable dancers to safely execute their movements and steps.
 - o Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn. Undergarments must provide full coverage (as per illustrations on www.clrg.ie).
 - o Adjudicators who determine a costume to lack modesty or be too short may ask a competitor to change into black tights (of a denier not less than 70%) in order for the dancer to continue in the competition. If the competition is being judged by more than 1 adjudicator, all adjudicators on the panel must agree that dancer be asked to put on tights.
 - o Changing of costumes is not permitted in halls or public areas. Dancers must use changing rooms provided.
 - o In order to comply with health and safety measures, all dancers lining up side stage for any round, may be asked to raise their arms to shoulder level unhindered. If unable to do this by the time of their rotation, due to costume stitching/arm attachments, the dancer will not be permitted to perform.
14. Stars of the Future: this competition is aimed towards dancers of any age who may not be ready for graded competitions. Dancers must not dance in Bun Grád or any other adjudicated competition at the event.
15. Bungrád and Túsgrád:
 - o Dancers are not permitted tan on legs in Bun and Tús Grád.
 - o Dancers up to and including the under 12 age group are not permitted to wear make up (including false eye lashes and face tanner).
 - o Dancers may only wear a traditional class costume or long/short sleeve blouse/shirt/t-shirt and skirt/trousers, bodysuit/leotards and skirt (must conform to the regular costume length rule). Low cut tops or short tight skirts are not permitted. Appropriate undergarments covering the midriff must be worn.
 - o Bun Grád competitions are confined to dancers who at the time of entry have never won 1st place (or graded out) of that particular dance in any age group or grade. Basic steps only are permitted in Bun Grád.
 - o Tús Grád competitions are confined to dancers who at the time of entry have never won 1st place (or graded out) of that particular dance in any age group in Tús Grád, Mean Grád, Preliminary or Árd Grád grades. Basic steps or their first hard/advanced version of each dance are permitted in Tús Grád. Steps in Tús Grád heavy jigs and hornpipes should be similar to those performed in traditional sets.
 - o "Grading up" in Bun and Tús Grád:
 - 1 – 5 dancers = 0 dancers grade up
 - 6 – 20 dancers = 1 dancer grades up
 - 21 – 30 dancers = 2 dancers grade up
 - 30 + dancers = 3 dancers grade up
16. Mean Grád: Mean Grád competitions are confined to those who at the time of entry have never won 1st place (or graded out) of that particular dance in any age group in Mean Grád, Preliminary or Árd Grád grades.
17. Preliminary: to be eligible to compete in a Preliminary Championship:
 - o Dancers must not have placed in the top 3 in an Open Championship judged by 3 or more adjudicators.

- Dancers must not have won a Preliminary Championship more than 2 times in the current year, **HOWEVER**, if there are 5 or less in a Preliminary competition the dancer is still eligible to compete in Preliminary Championship.
- Dancers must not have qualified for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne in the current year (2026) or previous year (2025).
- Dancers must not have recalled in the actual Championship at Oireachtas Rince na hÉireann in the current year (2026) or previous year (2025).
- Dancers having won 2 Preliminary Championships may not compete in any Mean grad competition for the remainder of the year **HOWEVER**, if a dancer has won only one Preliminary Championship they may continue to compete in Mean grad (with the exception of the dances that they won the Prelim Championship with).
- Exceptions pertaining to particular regions:
 - Dancers who qualify for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne where there are five dancers or less in the competition at their Regional Oireachtas are exempt from this ruling. They may remain in the Preliminary Championships if they so wish.
 - Boys who have qualified for Oireachtas Rince na Cruinne but were not placed in the top 3 at their Regional Oireachtas and who otherwise fulfil the Prelim Criteria, may continue to compete in Preliminary Championships.