



43rd Debbie Robson Memorial Highland Dance Competition

Pictou County Highland Dance Association

R.S.O.B.H.D. Permit # C-NS-CO-24-1003

Date: March 2, 2024

Location: Northumberland Regional High School
104 Alma Road | Alma, Nova Scotia

Judges: Kelly Biduke, ON | Carleigh Leighton, ON

Doors Open: 7:45am | Morning Registration: 7:45am | Afternoon Registration: 12:00pm
Admission: \$5.00 | Youth 10 & under are free | Programs: \$2.00

ENTRY FEES:

PRIMARY: \$25 (2 dances) | \$40 (3-4 dances)

BEGINNER | NOVICE | INTERMEDIATE | PREMIER: \$40

BEGINNER | NOVICE SPECIAL EVENT: \$10

INTERMEDIATE | PREMIER SPECIAL EVENT: \$10

Entry fee includes ScotDance Canada surcharge of \$1.00 and ScotDance Nova Scotia surcharge of \$4.00.

Categories		Dances		
Primary	16 Pas de Bas	Pas de Bas & High cuts	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)
Beginner	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Seann Truibhas (3&1)	Lilt (4)
Novice	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Seann Truibhas (3&1)	Lilt (4)
Intermediate	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Laddie (4)	Lilt (4)
Premier Under 12 Groups	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Earl (4)	Lilt (4)
Premier 12 & Over Groups	Fling (6)	Sword (3&1)	Earl (4)	Lilt (4)

**If numbers warrant, an "adult" group in each category will be offered, with cut steps in Premier.*

Special Event	
Beginner	Frosty Fling (4)
Novice	
Intermediate	Jeana's Jig (3&1)
Premier	

ORDER OF EVENTS: (Times are approximate, and may be subject to change based on entries received)

- Morning Registration opens: 7:45am
- Start Times:
 - Primary: 8:30am
 - Special Event Fling (Beginner & Novice): 9:00am
 - Beginner & Novice: 9:30am

- Afternoon Registration opens: 12:00pm
- Start Times:
 - Intermediate & Premier: 1:00pm
 - Intermediate & Premier Special Event Jig: Final event of the day

REGISTRATION

Online Registration Only

Entries open **Monday January 29th, 2024.**

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- **Deadline for entries is February 19, 2024**
- **Entry fees to be submitted via e-transfer to pchighlanddanceassociation@gmail.com. Please include the dancer's full name in the e-transfer message.**
- **Registration is not complete until payment is received.**
- Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizers with a \$10 late fee.
- Changes in categories or confirmation requests may be emailed to pchighlanddanceassociation@gmail.com

Competition Rules & Regulations

The Pictou County Highland Dance Association will not be responsible for accidents, injuries or illness to competitors or spectators at the competition, or lost articles. This event is being held in compliance with all provincial health and safety orders as well as facility requirements for Covid-19.

- All dancing events are governed by the rules and regulations of the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing (RSOBHD) and ScotDance Canada.
- The ScotDance Canada waiver must be acknowledged.
- Entry Deadline is **February 19, 2024.**
- Entry fee must accompany entry form.
- Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Organizer.
- No refunds after entries received.
- Age as of March 2, 2024.
- Scrutineering shall be conducted as recommended by the RSOBHD. Dancers will be judged according to the technique of the RSOBHD.
- Judges' decisions will be final and there will be no access to the judges' sheets.
- Age categories will be based on the number of registrations in each classification. First to enter, last to dance.
- Dancers will pick up their numbers at the registration table.
- Dancers must provide their current RSOBHD card to the Marshall at the Line Up Area on their first dance.
- All dancers must have a valid 2024 RSOBHD Card on the day of the competition. There will be a
- \$10 penalty if you dance without your card.
- Medals and trophies will be awarded in all categories except in Primary where no trophy is awarded. There will be cash prizes awarded for the oldest Premier category. Awards are 1st \$40, 2nd \$35, 3rd \$30, 4th \$25, 5th \$20, 6th \$15.

- Dancers must report to Marshalling Area when their group is called or risk disqualification.
- No coaching by teachers/parents while dancers are on stage. Teachers/parents are NOT to be in line up area, unless working there.
- Designated change areas will be provided. There is to be no changing in public areas.
- Please ensure that dancers are ready to dance when they arrive in Marshalling area as Marshalls are not permitted to fix costumes.
- Dancers must be in full dress to receive awards (including slippers).
- No flash photography while dancers are competing on stage.
- Taking videos of dancers while dancing will only be permitted in a designated area for each stage, and you are only permitted to take video of your own dancer(s). If you video outside of the designated area, you may be asked to leave the competition area.
- Protests must be made in writing, signed, and submitted to the Organizer by the end of the competition day, and must be accompanied by a \$25 fee, which will be returned if the protest is sustained.
- The Organizer reserves the right to combine or split classes.
- Special Events are not open to Primary dancers.
- Dancers and parents must respect the ScotDance Canada Risk Management Guidelines, local health authority directives, and RSOBHD Code of Ethics.