

54th Mid-Canada Open Championships
8th Lord Selkirk Premierships & Open Competitions



Saturday, June 11 and Sunday, June 12, 2022

Location: Jean-Paul Aubry Room, CCFM
340 Provencher Blvd, Winnipeg

Judges: Carolyn Spears, Nova Scotia
Gillian Dunn, Ontario
Jennifer Stephenson, Quebec

Saturday: C-MB-CO-22-148

Sunday: C-MB-CO-22-149

Register Online: www.mbhighlanddance.com/Competitions.html

Entries Open: May 11, 2022 at 6:00 pm CDT Entries Close June 1, 2022 at 11:59 pm CDT

This event is being held in compliance with all provincial health and safety orders in effect at the relevant time and in accordance with any facility requirements for Covid-19.

PLEASE NOTE: 1. ALTHOUGH THERE WILL BE REGULATED CHANGE FACILITIES, DANCERS ARE TO ARRIVE IN FULL COSTUME AND READY TO COMPETE IN THEIR FIRST DANCE AND WILL LEAVE IN THEIR LAST COSTUME OF THE DAY.
2. MASKS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO BE WORN BY ALL SPECTATORS AND BY DANCERS WHEN THEY ARE NOT ON STAGE. DANCERS CONTINUE TO HAVE A CHOICE WHETHER TO WEAR A MASK WHILE COMPETING.

Competition Events

Saturday, June 11, 2022

PRE-PREMIER: REGISTRATION at 8:30 am and DANCE at 9:00 am (FACILITY OPENS NO EARLIER THAN 8:25 am)

Primary

1. 16 Pas de Basques
2. Pas de Basques & High Cuts
3. Highland Fling (4)
4. Sword Dance (2 & 1)
5. Demonstration Pas de Basques- No fee – see rule 16

Beginner

6. Highland Fling (4)
7. Sword Dance (2 & 1)
8. Seann Triubhas (3 & 1)
9. Beginner Special Fling (4) (Rule #14)

Novice

10. Highland Fling (4)
11. Sword Dance (2 & 1)
12. Seann Triubhas (3 & 1)
13. Novice Special Fling (4) (Rule #14)

Intermediate

14. Highland Fling (4)
15. Sword Dance (2 & 1)
16. Seann Triubhas (3 & 1)
17. Strathspey & Highland Reel (2 & 2)

PREMIER: REGISTRATION no earlier than 12:00 p.m. DANCING to follow 30 minutes after registration opens

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Highland Fling	Sword Dance	Seann Triubhas	Strathspey & Highland Reel
2022 Championship Steps to be performed			
7 & under 12 Years		12 & under 14 Years	
14 & under 16 Years		16 & under 18 Years	
18 & over *a request has been submitted to the RSOBHD to add a '20 and over' class if entries warrant same			

Special Award Stephen Juba Seann Triubhas (4 & 2) First place winners in each Premier category 12 Years & Over will dance off.

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Premier Registration at 8:30 am – Dancing to start at 9:00 am

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Sailor's Hornpipe	Scottish Lilt	Scotch Measure	Earl of Errol
2022 Premiership Steps to be performed			
7 & under 12 Years		12 & under 14 Years	
14 & under 16 Years		16 & under 18 Years	
18 & over*a request has been submitted to the RSOBHD to add a '20 and over' class if entries warrant same			

Special Event: McGeown Jig (4&2) (Rule #15). **Separate Entry fee required.**

PRE-PREMIER: REGISTRATION no earlier than 1:00 p.m. DANCING to follow 30 minutes after registration opens

Primary

1. 16 Pas de Basques
2. Pas de Basques & High Cuts
3. Highland Fling (4)
4. Sword Dance (2 & 1)
5. Demonstration Pas de Basques- No fee – see rule 16

Beginner

6. Scottish Lilt (4)
7. Flora (4)
8. Fling (4)
9. Special Fling (4) (Rule #14)

Novice

10. Scottish Lilt (4)
11. Flora (4)
12. Fling (4)
13. Special Fling (4) (Rule #14)

Intermediate

14. Scottish Lilt (4)
15. Flora (4)
16. Irish Jig (3+1)
- 17.. Sailors Hornpipe (4)

General Rules

1. All dancing events are governed by RSOBHD and ScotDance Canada. All judges' decisions are final. 2022 SOBHD Championship steps must be performed in the Open Championships. 2022 RSOBHD Premiership steps must be performed in the Premiership.
2. This event can be cancelled any time up to and including the date of the competition based on public health concerns.
Registration is online only. Opening date for entries is no earlier than **6:00pm CDT Wednesday, May 11th, 2022**. Any portion of an entry received online before this date/time will incur a 2-week hold. Closing date for entries and Payment Received Online no later than **11:59 pm CDT Wednesday, June 1st, 2022**. No courier, email or hand deliveries. Late entries, with an additional \$25 fee, will only be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Registrar. You may contact the Competition Registrar at registration@mbhighlanddance.com with any questions.
3. Refunds with a medical certificate or if requested within 48 hours of the Competition because dancer is not attending by reason of Covid or Covid symptoms.
4. Age is as of day of **each** competition. This event is registered as two separate competitions. Beginner, Novice, and Intermediate ScotDance cards will be stamped each day based on the dancer's awards.
5. Dancers **MUST** present a current RSOBHD Registration Card at registration on the day of competition in order to dance. As per ScotDance Canada rules, if a current RSOBHD card cannot be provided, a \$10 fee will be charged and if the dancer wins medals or honoraria in lieu of medals, those awards will be withheld until the card is produced. Any cost associated with delivering awards to the dancer will be borne by the dancer.
6. The competition committee reserves the right to combine, split or delete classes according to registration. To constitute a championship/premiership class, there must be a minimum of six dancers.

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7. Any change in dancer classification or additional dances must be emailed to registration@mbhighlanddance.com prior to the day of the competition, in accordance with the timing set out in rule #2.
8. Dancers must fill in for Reels as requested.
9. Competitors will dance in reverse order of entry. Dancers not present when their class is called will only be permitted to dance out of order at the discretion of the Technical Advisor.
10. Dancers, Spectators and Volunteers are to read and comply with the Covid Protocols appearing in the appendix to this Registration Form.
11. Medals and trophies will be awarded for all classes, except Primary who receive medals and ribbons only. Dancers must remain in full costume to receive awards. Cash awards will be awarded to winners and runners up for the championship and premiership. They are as follows:

Ages	Champion/ Winner	1 st Runner Up	2 nd Runner Up	3 rd Runner Up	4 th Runner Up	5 th Runner up
16 and over	\$150	\$100	\$75	\$50	\$40	\$25
14 and under 16	\$100	\$75	\$50	\$40	\$25	\$15
12 and under 14	\$80	\$60	\$50	\$40	\$25	\$15
Under 12	\$60	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$25	\$15

12. For each class, the overall winner is determined by the total aggregate points obtained over the individual events regardless of the number of competitors in each dance. If awarding an 'overall' trophy or award over a number of age groups, there must be at least six competitors who have competed in a dance before the aggregate points can qualify to determine the overall winner. If there are less than six competitors in any individual dance then points gained in that dance will not be included in the total aggregate points for any Overall Trophy or Award.
13. All perpetual trophies remain the property of the MHDA. Recipients of a perpetual trophy have the trophy on loan until the equivalent competition next year. Recipients are responsible for name engraving and care of the trophy. Repairs, other than normal use, will be the recipient's responsibility. Any loss or damage must be reported to the MHDA as soon as possible.
14. **Special Dance** in Beginner and Novice classifications are open to all Beginner and Novice dancers respectively and are not included in the calculation of aggregate awards. All special dances are four steps, no set steps.
15. The **McGeown Jig** is open to any Premier dancer who has never been a previous overall winner of the McGeown Jig. Classes will be split according to age, separately from the Premiership classes. The top 3 award winners in each premier class will dance off for the McGeown Memorial Trophy. This is a separate event and not included in the calculation of aggregate awards or the Premiership.
16. **Demonstration Pas de Basques:** No entry fees. All dancers receive a gift. Please submit entry form to determine numbers. Dancers may not have entered any prior competitive events.
17. **Entry Fees: Open Competition:** \$8.00 per dance; **Championship and Premiership:** \$50 each. **McGeown Jig:** \$10.00. SDCCS Provincial surcharge and online registration fee will be added. If you are not a Full (general) member of any Provincial Highland Dance Association a \$25.00 surcharge will apply. Proof of membership may be requested. Numbers will be picked up at registration desk on day of competition.
18. Protests must be made in writing, signed and presented to the competition coordinator on the day of the competition accompanied by a \$25.00 fee, which is refunded if sustained.
19. **Programs** will be available by pre-purchase for \$5.00. There will be none available on site.
20. Dancers and parents must respect the ScotDance Canada Risk Management Guidelines, local health authority directives, and RSOBHD Code of Ethics.
21. By submitting an entry, a competitor, or the parent/guardian on behalf of the competitor, acknowledges that they have fully read and understood the all documents appearing as appendices to this document, and in particular:

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- A) the Good Health Declaration:
- B) the ScotDance Canada Competition Waiver and Release Form: and
- C) the Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/Covid-19

and agrees to all of the terms and conditions which may be found in these documents in exchange for entering, attending and participating in this event. My or my child's attendance and participation at the event will serve as a signature on any of the documents set out in the appendices.

***If you encounter difficulties with the online site when registering/paying, please do not re-register but contact registration@mbhighlanddance.com. You will not lose your place in the registration order.

MHDA would like to invite sponsorship of the class awards or trophies. Please consider supporting our dancers by adding a sponsorship of \$25, \$40 or any amount.

Registration is online only. The following information will be required for registration: Name, Address, Postal Code, Phone, Email, Age (on June 11, 2022 for Saturday's events and as of June 12, 2022 for Sunday's events), Birthday (M/D/Y), Dancing Classification, RSOBHD Card #, Teacher, Dances

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APPENDICES

COVID 19 PROTOCOLS

Our goal is to allow our dancers to compete in a safe, calm, inclusive and positive environment. We appreciate unexpected situations will arise on the day that may require action that is meant to protect our dancers, judges, volunteers and other participants.

This event is being held in compliance with any provincial health and safety orders, as well as facility requirements for Covid-19.

1. Public Health requirements will be continuously evaluated, and participants will be informed of any Covid-19 protocols prior to the event through social media and email.
2. In the absence of any Public Health Order mandates, Manitoba Highland Dance Association strongly encourage participants to:
 - a. Wear a mask for your own protection and the protection of others (dancers continue to have a choice whether to wear a mask while competing)
 - b. Maintain physical distancing wherever possible
 - c. Perform frequent hand hygiene
 - d. Stay home if you feel sick
3. Upon registering for this event and immediately prior to the event, you agree to the requirements and recommendations of any National, Provincial and local Public health and other governmental authorities as well as any requirements from facility hosting the event which may be in effect at the time of the event, as it pertains to the Covid-19 Coronavirus and to adopt all necessary measures to those effects.

Please be respectful of all requests or you will be escorted from the facility.

Rules for attending MHDA Competitions:

- Three spectators are allowed in the facility with each dancer
- All competitors and their spectators are required to exit the facility once their competition events are completed. An exception is where a person may be volunteering, and even then, they must exit once their duties have been completed. If a family has a dancer in the morning and a dancer in the afternoon, please make arrangements to have the morning dancer picked up at the end of the morning and the afternoon dancer dropped off for the afternoon.
 - Dancers are to arrive in their first costume, prepared to dance, hair done and make-up applied. Please bring your own safety pins to affix number to dance costume. Dancers are to leave in their last costume. Designated change rooms are available for costume changes.
 - Limited personal items will be allowed within the facility when crowd size capacity restrictions are in place. This will include dance mats. Please coordinate with your dance school to limit the number of mats. Please leave unnecessary items in your car.
 - As crowd size capacity restrictions are in place, dancers will be called to the marshalling (line-up) area in small groups almost immediately prior to competing. Dancers who do not arrive when called may forfeit their opportunity to compete for that event.
 - Awards will be *announced* at the end of the dancing (dancers will be on stage but socially distanced) but they will *collect* their awards after they exit the stage.
 - Washroom facilities may have limited occupancy depending on number of cubicles while maintaining physical distancing requirements. Washrooms are not to be used for changing, only dedicated spaces are to be used.

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GOOD HEALTH DECLARATION

We all need to take responsibility for providing the highest level of safety and protection against Covid-19. Your health and safety, and that of all participants at our sanctioned events are our primary concern.

By registering for this event, you agree:

- ❖ *That if you or anyone in your household travelled outside of Canada within 14 days prior to the start of this event and have been asked to quarantine by governmental health officials, you may not attend the event.*

- ❖ *That on the day of the competition, if you are feeling unwell, experiencing COVID-like symptoms (including fever, cough, sore throat, respiratory illness, or difficulty breathing), or have tested positive for Covid-19 and/or have been in contact with a person who, to your knowledge had symptoms of Covid-19 or has tested positive for Covid-19 and you have not yet been cleared to discontinue isolation in accordance with applicable criteria communicated by Public Health officials (awaiting results), or are currently subject to a quarantine or self-isolation order by Public Health officials, we respectfully request that you do not attend.*



SCOTDANCE CANADA COMPETITION WAIVER FORM

I am aware that participating in the 54th Mid-Canada Open Championships 8th Lord Selkirk Premierships & Open Competitions (the "Event") involves the potential for risks, dangers and hazards, including but not limited to:

(a) injury to myself / my child as a result of the physical nature of dance competition and performance; and

(b) the taking and/or release of unauthorized photographs, video and/or other recordings of myself and/or my child, notwithstanding efforts to enforce Event policies.

*In consideration of my / my child's participation in the Event and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is acknowledged, **I hereby WAIVE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS** against ScotDance Canada, its directors, agents, employees, executive members, volunteers and organizers of the Event (the "Releasees"), which I now have, or hereafter may have against the Releasees. In particular, but without limiting the foregoing, **I agree to release the Releasees from ANY AND ALL LIABILITY** for any loss, damage, injury, or expense I / my child may incur as a result of my / my child's participation in or attendance at the Event. **I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from ANY LOSS, DAMAGE, INJURY OR EXPENSE, including legal costs**, that the Releasees may incur due to my / my child's participation in or attendance at the Event, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, and whether caused to my child or otherwise. I understand that the Releasees will photograph and otherwise record the Event, its participants and attendees. **I consent to and authorize such recording. I further consent to and authorize** the Releasees to publish my/my child's image, likeness and information in any medium, including but not limited to photographs, videos, DVDs, and web-casts. I understand that this publication will take place in the public domain, including in printed materials, public announcements, and on the internet.*

***I specifically consent to the public release of the following information:** 1. Name; 2. City, Province, Country of Residence; 3. Tartan; 4. Age; 5. Results.*

I acknowledge that by signing and submitting this entry, electronically or otherwise, that I have read this agreement carefully and fully understand it, and agree to all of the above terms and conditions.

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Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability Relating to Coronavirus/Covid-19

This waiver & declaration must be completed prior to or upon visiting (name of facility of event) and before participating in any activity.

The novel coronavirus, COVID-19 has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is known to spread mainly by contact from person to person. Consequently, local, provincial and federal governmental authorities recommend various measures and prohibit a variety of behaviors, in order to reduce the spread of the virus.

The Manitoba Highland Dancers' Association (The MHDA's) and ScotDance Canada and its members commit themselves to comply with the requirements and recommendations of National, Provincial and local Public health and other governmental authorities, and to put in place and adopt all necessary measures to that effect. However, The MHDA and ScotDance Canada cannot guarantee that you (or your child, if participant is a minor/ or the person you are the legal guardian of) will not become infected with COVID-19. Further, attending the Activities could increase your (or your child, if participant is a minor/ or the person you are the legal guardian of) risk of contracting COVID-19, despite all preventative measures put in place.

By signing this document, or by attending this competition,

I acknowledge the highly contagious nature of COVID-19 and I voluntarily assume the risk that I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of) could be exposed or infected by COVID-19 by participating in The MHDA's /ScotDance Canada's activities. Being exposed or infected by COVID-19 may particularly lead to injuries, diseases or other illnesses.

I declare that I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of) am participating voluntarily in The MHDA's /ScotDance Canada's activities.

I declare that neither I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of) nor anyone in my household, have experienced in the last 48 hours prior to the date of The MHDA's /ScotDance Canada's event, cold or flu-like symptoms (including fever, cough, sore throat, respiratory illness, difficulty breathing).

I declare that neither I (or my child, if participant is a minor/or the person I am the legal guardian of) have tested positive for COVID-19, and have not yet been cleared to discontinue isolation in accordance with applicable criteria communicated by public health officials (awaiting results); have been in close contact with a person who, to my knowledge, had symptoms of COVID-19 or has tested positive for COVID-19, and have not yet been cleared to discontinue isolation in accordance with applicable criteria communicated by public health officials; or am currently subject to a quarantine or self-isolation order for any reason, including travel.

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I (or my child, if participant is a minor/or the person I am the legal guardian of) declare that I have not been required to self-isolate except for essential school or work activities in the last 10 days.

If I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of) experience, or if anyone in my household experiences any cold or flu-like symptoms after submitting this declaration, I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of) will not attend any of (name of CO/ScotDance Canada)'s activities, programs or services until no longer required to self-isolate or for 48 hours after symptoms resolve whichever is longer.

I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of) agree to the requirements and recommendations of National, Provincial and local Public health and other governmental authorities and to those special safety regulations put in place by The MHDA/ScotDance Canada as it pertains the Covid-19 Coronavirus and to adopt all necessary measures to those effects.

I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of) agree that, by filling out and signing this waiver and agreeing to the terms and conditions set out in it, I am giving up my legal rights to sue The MHDA/ScotDance Canada and its officers and directors, in the event that I (or my child, if participant is a minor/ or the person I am the legal guardian of), contracts the Covid-19 Coronavirus.

This document will remain in effect until The MHDA /ScotDance Canada, as per the direction of the National, Provincial and local Public health and other governmental authorities, determines that the acknowledgments in this declaration are no longer required.

This document is in addition to and does not replace all other The MHDA's /ScotDance Canada waivers.

I HAVE ACKNOWLEDGED THIS DOCUMENT FREELY AND WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE.

Signature required if in person, otherwise acknowledge by email or via online entry form.

_____ *Print name* _____ *Date (dd/mm/year)*

_____ *Signature*