

34th Annual WESTERN CANADA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP & INTERIOR BRITISH COLUMBIA PREMIERSHIP

Hosted by: *The Interior Highland Dancing Association of BC*

Tournament Capital Centre
910 McGill Road, Kamloops, BC V2C 6N6

Saturday March 22, 2025

**Pre-Premier Competition,
Pre Championship &
Western Canada Open Championship**
The Championship is recognized by the RSOBHD.
Competition Organizer Registration
CBC CO 251003

Sunday March 23, 2025

**Interior British Columbia Premiership,
Premier National Competition**
The Premiership is recognized by RSOBHD.
**Choreography Challenge
& Pre-Premier Competition**
Competition Organizer Registration
CBC CO 251004

Monday March 24, 2024

IHDA Workshop
Instructor: Delma Wilson
2025 Summit Drive, Kamloops BC
Competition Organizer Registration
CBC CO 251005

Judges:

**Mary Munro, Burnaby BC
Jacqueline Smith, Milton ON
Kyla Groeschel, Fair Oaks CA
Delma Wilson, Forfar SCO**

Pipers:

**Rob Johnston, Surrey BC
Andrew Lee, Port Coquitlam BC**

ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY

Opening Date: Entries will open online at www.eventry.net at 8:00 AM PST December 4, 2024.

Closing Date: Entries will close at 11:59 PM PST on March 12, 2025.

ABSOLUTELY NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Please have your RSOBHD card, IHDA Membership Number and credit card on hand for the online entry. Payment may be made by credit card or PayPal.
If you have any questions or problems with the online system, please contact ihda.competitions@gmail.com

Host Hotel: Sandman Signature
225 Lorne Street Kamloops BC
Tel: 250-377-7263 or 1-800-726-3626

Group Rate: 1 King Bed \$178.00
Suite 1 King Bed, Sofabed, Kitchen \$218.00
1 King Bed, Sofabed \$228.00
2 Queen Beds \$228.00

Highland Dance Group or Group Code 461251 must be quoted when booking.

Saturday March 22nd, 2025

Commencing at 8:30 am

PRE-CHAMPIONSHIP

- 1.** Highland Fling (4), Sword (2&1), Seann Triubhas (3&1), Strathspey & Highland Reel (2&2)
See Rule #13 & 14 in Rules and Regulations

PRIMARY	BEGINNER	NOVICE	INTERMEDIATE
2. Pas de Basques	6. Fling (4)	10. Fling (4)	14. Fling (4)
3. Pas de Basques & Highcuts	7. Sword (2&1)	11. Sword (2&1)	15. Sword (2&1)
4. Fling (4)	8. Seann Triubhas (3&1)	12. Seann Triubhas (3&1)	16. Seann Triubhas (3&1)
5. Sword (2&1)	9. Special Fling (4)	13. Strathspey & Highland Reel (2&2)	17. Strathspey & Highland Reel (2&2)

WESTERN CANADA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Commencing no earlier than 10:30 am

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18. 7 & Under 10 Years

19. 10 & Under 12 Years

20. 12 & Under 14 Years

21. 14 & Under 16 Years

22. 16 & Under 18 Years

23. 18 Years & Over

Fling, Sword, Seann Triubhas, Strathspey & Highland Reel

2025 steps set forth by the RSOBHD

See Rule #12 & 14 in Rules and Regulations

Sunday March 24, 2024

Commencing at 8:30 am

PREMIER NATIONAL COMPETITION

INTERIOR BRITISH COLUMBIA PREMIERSHIP

24. Flora McDonald's Fancy (4)

25. Scotch Measure (4)

26. Barracks Johnny (4)

27. Irish Jig (4*)

See Rule #16 & 17 in Rules and Regulations

28. Flora McDonald's Fancy (4)

29. Scotch Measure (4)

30. Barracks Johnny (4)

31. Irish Jig (5)

2025 Steps set forth by the RSOBHD

See Rule #15 & 17 in Rules and Regulations

CHOREOGRAPHY CHALLENGE

Commencing following the Premier National Competition and Premiership.

32. Small Group (3-7 dancers)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to Premier & Pre-Premier dancers. • One dancer from each Small Group will register for the Choreography Challenge with their online registration. • Full name, age, RSOBHD number and name of teacher/school for each member of the Small Group must be include for the entry to be valid. • Dance not to exceed 2 minutes including entrance and exit. • Music must be emailed to ihda.competitions@gmail.com no later than March 15, 2025 and a backup copy on a USB | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> memory stick must be brought to the event. • Choreography must be Scottish or Celtic in appearance and theme including costume. • Teams may use props during their performance, either static or non-static provided that they do not require setup or takedown, but live animals are not permitted. • Choreography stage size will be 24 feet wide by 20 feet deep. • Individual dancers may only enter one (1) choreography. |
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Commencing in the PM

PRIMARY	BEGINNER	NOVICE	INTERMEDIATE
33. Pas de Basques	37. Fling (4)	43. Fling (4)	49. Fling (4)
34. Pas de Basques & Highcuts	38. Sword (2&1)	44. Sword (2&1)	50. Sword (2&1)
35. Fling (4)	39. Seann Triubhas (3&1)	45. Seann Triubhas (3&1)	51. Seann Triubhas (3&1)
36. Sword (2&1)	40. Strathspey & Highland Reel (2&2)	46. Strathspey & Highland Reel (2&2)	52. Strathspey & Highland Reel (2&2)
	41. Lilt (4)	47. Lilt (4)	53. Highland Laddie (4)
	42. Flora (4)	48. Flora (4)	54. Irish Jig (4)

Monday March 24, 2025

IHDA WORKSHOP with Delma Wilson

Time	Class
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Premier Championship
10:45 AM – 12:00 PM	Premier Premiership
12:00 PM- 1:00 PM	Pre Premier <i>*Must know Fling, Sword, Seann Triubhas and Lilt</i>

FEES

Pre-Championship	\$40.00 per dancer	Workshop IHDA Member Dancer	\$25.00 per Premier
Championship	\$50.00 per dancer		\$10.00 Pre Premier
Premiership	\$50.00 per dancer	Workshop Non-IHDA Member Dancer	\$35.00 per Premier
Pre-Premier	\$7.00 per dance		\$15.00 Pre Premier
Premier National 15 Years & Under	\$7.00 per dance	Workshop IHDA Professional Member	\$20.00 per professional
Premier National 16 Years & Over	\$9.00 per dance	Workshop Non-IHDA Professional	\$25.00 per professional
Choreography Challenge	\$40.00 per Small Group	Member	
Number Fee	\$1.00 per dancer	Pre-Sale Programme	\$5.00 each
ScotDance BC Fee*	\$2.00 per day	Saturday ONLY Admission Pre-Sale	\$5.00 per person
Online Registration Fee	\$5.00 per entry	Sunday ONLY Admission Pre-Sale	\$5.00 per person
		Admission at the door per day	\$10.00 per person

*Please note, as our events are registered as two separate competitions, dancers are required to pay the ScotDance BC fee of \$2 each per day. Also, because of this, category changes will happen between the days should a dancer fill their dance card on the Saturday.

PLEASE NOTE: A SMALL PRINTED PROGRAMME WILL BE AVAILABLE BY PRE-SALE ONLY. PROGRAMMES WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE AT THE EVENT. ALL RESULTS WILL BE POSTED ON THE SCOTDANCE APP. This can be downloaded at the Apple App Store, Google Play Store or by visiting scotdance.app from your internet browser.

WESTERN CANADA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP AND IHDA PRE-PREMIER COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. All dancing events are governed by the rules and regulations of the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing (RSOBHD) and ScotDance Canada.
2. This event may be cancelled at any time up to, and including on or during the date of competition, dependent upon public health concerns.
3. Age is determined as of the day of each event.
4. Dancers will dance in reverse order of receipt of entry (first to enter, last to dance) in all events **except Championship**. Championship order of dance will be determined by computer draw.
5. Committee reserves the right to combine or split classes.
6. Age classes will be determined upon receipt of entries for all dance events except Championship, which will be the classes listed on the entry. Should there not be sufficient entries for a Championship class, classes will be combined.
7. The decision of the judge(s) is final.
8. Protests must be made in writing, signed and submitted to the competition secretary by the end of the competition day and must be accompanied by a \$30.00 fee, refundable if sustained.
9. Absolutely **NO** late entries will be accepted.
10. Absolutely **NO** telephone, email, mail or hand delivered entries will be accepted.
11. There will be **NO** entry fee refunds. If admittance to the event is refused based upon good health declaration, fees will be refunded except for an administration fee of \$5.00 per family.
12. **Championship:** Computer draws for each dance. All dancers must dance the 2025 Championship steps set forth by the RSOBHD.
13. **Pre-Championship:** Entry is restricted to those who have never won a Pre-Championship or a Championship.
14. Dancers may enter either Pre-Championship (if eligible, see Rule 13), Championship, or both.
15. **Premiership:** Dancers will dance in reverse order of entry. All dancers must dance the 2025 Premiership steps set forth by the RSOBHD
16. **Premier National:** Open to Premier dancers who do not wish to dance the Premiership. Irish Jig is a 4 step for all dancers.
17. Dancers must choose between the Premiership and Premier National Competition.
18. **Choreography Challenge:** Open to Premier & Pre-Premier dancers. One dancer from each Small Group will register for the Choreography Challenge with their online registration. Full name, age, RSOBHD number and name of teacher/school for each member of the Small Group must be included for the entry to be valid. Dance not to exceed 2 minutes including entrance and exit. Music must be emailed to ihda.competitions@gmail.com no later than March 12th, 2025 and a backup copy on a USB memory stick must be brought to the event. Choreography must be Scottish or Celtic in appearance and theme including costume. Teams may use props during their performance, either static or non-static provided that they do not require setup or takedown, but live animals are not permitted. Choreography stage size will be 24 feet wide by 20 feet deep. Individual dancers may only enter one (1) choreography.
19. Dancers filling in for the Reel must dance entire dance.
20. All competitors must present current RSOBHD registration card before receiving their awards. Awards will be held, and a \$10.00 fee applied to any dancer without a current RSOBHD card.
21. Prizes: Cash prizes awarded in the 16 & over Championship, Premiership and Premier National Competition. Medals for all other classes. Beginner Special Fling will receive a special prize. Choreography Challenge winners will receive a special prize.
22. Beginner Special Fling does not count towards the aggregate. It is a standard 4 step Highland Fling that is awarded a special prize.
23. Online entries will be accepted from 8:00 am PST December 4, 2024, through March 12th, 2025.
24. All category changes must be emailed to ihda.competitions@gmail.com before March 12th, 2025.
25. Dancers must be dressed appropriately at all times.
26. All competitors must remain in costume for award presentations.
27. Number will be used for both days.
28. Dancers and parents must respect the ScotDance Canada Risk Management Guidelines, Local Health Authority directives, and the RSOBHD Code of Ethics.

ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY RELATING TO PARTICIPATION IN A SCOTDANCE CANADA SANCTIONED EVENT (COMPETITION/WORKSHOP), INCLUDING COVID-19/OTHER CONTAGIONS OF CONCERN AS IDENTIFIED BY THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION/LOCAL/PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES TO BE CONFIRMED WITH ONLINE ENTRY

This waiver and declaration must be completed by the Organizer of the sanctioned event and provided either by email, via online participant registration or at the event. Participants are required to acknowledge (participant definition meaning dancer of legal age/parent/guardian/volunteer/professional, judge, piper).

The Interior Highland Dance Association of BC (IHDA) 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 Interior Highland Dance Association of BC (IHDA) 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/other contagions. Further, attending the Event 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/other contagions, despite all preventative measures put in place.

By signing this document,

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 Western Canada Open Championship and Interior British Columbia Premiership.

I am aware that participating in the Western Canada Open Championship and Interior British Columbia Premiership (the "Event") involves the potential for risks, dangers and hazards, including but not limited to:

- (a) COVID-19/other contagions; and,
- (b) injury to myself / my child as a result of the physical nature of dance competition/workshop and performance; and
- (c) 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.

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 Western Canada Open Championship and Interior British Columbia Premiership, Covid-19/other contagions symptoms (as identified by public health authorities).

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/other contagions, 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/other contagions or has tested positive for COVID-19/other contagions, 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.

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 under timelines set out by public health authorities (except for essential school or work activities).

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 Covid 19/other contagions symptoms after submitting this declaration, I (or my child, if guardian of) will not attend any of The Western Canada Open Championship and Interior British Columbia Premiership programs or services until no longer required to self-isolate or for 48 hours after symptoms resolve or as directed by public health authorities.

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 Interior Highland Dance Association of BC (IHDA), the Western Canada Open Championship and Interior British Columbia Premiership as it pertains the Covid-19/other contagions 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 Interior Highland Dance Association of BC (IHDA), The Western Canada Open Championship, Interior British Columbia Premiership 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 Covid-19/other contagions.

This document will remain in effect until the Interior Highland Dance Association of BC (IHDA), as per the direction of the National, Provincial and local Public health and other governmental authorities, determines that the aforesaid acknowledgments pertaining to Covid 19/other contagions in this declaration are no longer required.

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.

This document is in addition to and does not replace all other The Interior Highland Dance Association of BC (IHDA), Western Canada Open Championship and Interior British Columbia Premiership waivers.

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.

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