



## Alberta Highland Dancing Association

# 56th Annual Alberta Closed Provincial Championship

**Saturday, May 2, 2026**

C-AB-CO-26-1027

Harvest Centre, Westermer Park  
5847A 19 Street, Red Deer, AB

Championships are sanctioned by the  
Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing

## AHDA Open Competition

**Sunday, May 3, 2026**

C-AB-CO-26-1028

Mother Theresa School  
79 Old Boomer Road, Sylvan Lake, AB

All events sanctioned by the  
Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing

### Judges:

**Andrea Tronnes, Arkansas**  
**Ann Landry, New Brunswick**  
**Delma Wilson, Scotland**  
**Kyla Groeschel, California**  
(Championship Only)

### Pipers:

**Cameron Prowse, Alberta**  
**Meghann Wendall, Alberta**

### Acceptance Date

On-line entries only

Entries open February 16 2026 7:00 PM MST

### Closing Date

Entries close April 12, 2026 11:59 PM MDT  
*Absolutely no late entries will be accepted.*

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## Championship Rules & Regulations

1. The AHDA Closed Alberta Provincial Championship is sanctioned and governed by the rules & regulations of the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing and ScotDance Canada. All dancers must show a current RSOBHD Dancer Registration card to register.

2. **AGE:** Age is to be taken as of July 1 for determining the age classification in which dancers would enter the Canadian Championship. Thus, in preliminary championships or competitions used to select provincial representatives, dancers would compete according to their age on July 1 of that year.

3. **ELIGIBILITY:** For eligibility to compete in the Canadian Championship, a dancer must qualify in a Closed Provincial Championship or Selection Competition. The competitor must qualify by residency first, having been a resident for six (6) months immediately prior to the event. Should a competitor not qualify first by the residency requirement, that competitor may enact the birth qualification in the province they were born. Residency will be determined by the residence of the dancer's legal guardian. If a dancer moves to a new province, that dancer retains residency in the previous province for the purpose of determining eligibility first by residency, until 6 months residency takes place in the new province.

**RESIDENCY DEFINITION:** Dancers moving to another province and remaining in that province for 6 consecutive months immediately prior to that province's selection meet would qualify by residency to compete in that province's selection meet. If a dancer moves back to the province they previously resided in and remain there immediately prior to that province's selection meet, that dancer would qualify by residency to compete in that province's provincial selection meet, provided they previously resided in that province for 6 consecutive months. In the case of multiple moves, whichever province the dancer had previously resided in for 6 consecutive months prior to moving from that province, would be the province where that dancer would qualify by residency to compete in that province's selection meet.

### SUBSTITUTION OF A PROVINCIAL TEAM MEMBER:

Substitution of a provincial team member is allowed up to 5:00 PM local time of the SDCCS hosts, the day prior to the Canadian Championship. If available, both dancers would be able to participate in the parade of champions. All issues with regards to this substitution are the responsibility of the Provincial Affiliate (refer to the ScotDance Canada Operations Manual - Rules Governing the Canadian Championships document, Section 6).

4. All dancers must dance the **2026 RSOBHD Championship steps**. Classes are to be run as Championships and not amalgamated or split, regardless of the number of entrants. This event is a heat with the successful finalists competing for the Canadian Championship.

5. Only representatives who are **fully paid members of an AHDA local association as of May 2, 2026** are eligible for funding. Dancers must qualify for the Canadian Championship by residency to be eligible for funding.

6. The order to dance will be random draw for Fling, Sword, Seann Triubhas. The order for the Reel will be first to enter, last to dance.

7. Championship events must have a **minimum of 6 dancers** competing to be eligible for Championship status. **Up to 3 dancers may represent Alberta** in the Canadian Championship regardless of the number of dancers competing on that day.

8. If neither the Champion and/or runner up is able to attend the Canadian Championship, the next Runner(s) up are eligible to attend.

9. All fees are non-refundable.

## 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. The decision of the judge(s) is final.

4. With the exception of the competition committee, communication with the judges during the event is strictly prohibited.

5. In order to compete, dancers must be registered with the RSOBHD or RSOBHD subsidiary body (such as ScotDance Canada). **All competitors must present their current RSOBHD registration card at the registration table on the day of competition for every competition.** Any dancer unable to show a valid registration card will pay a \$10.00 fee to the organizer and will forfeit all awards until such time as the card is produced. If the card is not produced within 10 days, their name will be passed on to all Organizers who will be advised not to accept entries from the dancer or allow them to compete until such matters are satisfactorily resolved.

6. Only Premier competitors who are not registered for the Championship event may enter the Premier Highland events. All premier dancers may enter the Premier National events.

7. It is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to ensure the competitor is entered in the correct class and age group. Age is as of 12:01am on competition date - May 3, 2026.

8. Any change in category must be communicated to the competition organizer by April 26, 2026 at [ehda.compssec@gmail.com](mailto:ehda.compssec@gmail.com) No category changes will be accepted on the day of competition.

9. Dancers will compete in inverse order of entry. First to enter is last to dance.

10. Competitors must be on hand when their event is called, or they forfeit their right to dance in the event.

11. All competitors must remain in costume for award presentations. **Dancers must be dressed appropriately at all times.**

12. 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 \$35.00 fee, refundable, if sustained.

13. Cash Awards for 16 years & Over premier classes: 1st \$40, 2nd \$35, 3rd \$30, 4th \$25, 5th \$20, 6th \$15

14. All fees are non-refundable.

## Alberta Closed Provincial Championship

**Saturday, May 2, 2026**  
(Registration 8:30 am Dancing 9:00 am)

Section 1	7 & under 10 years
Section 2	10 & under 12 years
Section 3	12 & under 14 years

*Callbacks will be announced following morning events*

**Saturday, May 2, 2026**  
(Registration 12:00 pm Dancing 12:30 pm)

Section 4	14 & under 16 years
Section 5	16 & under 18 years
Section 6	18 & under 21 years
Section 7	21 years & over

*All Championship results will be announced following afternoon events*

Fling, Sword, Seann Triubhas, Reel  
**2026 RSOBHD Championship Steps**

## AHDA Open Competition

**Sunday, May 3, 2026 Morning Events**  
(Registration 8:30 am Dancing 9:00 am)

Intermediate	Premier Highland**
Fling (4)	Fling (4)
Sword (2&1)	Sword (2&1)
Seann Triubhas (3&1)	Seann Triubhas (3&1)
Highland Laddie (4)	Highland Laddie (4)
Sailor's Hornpipe (4)	Sailor's Hornpipe (4)

\*\*Dancers NOT Entered in  
Championship only\*\*

**Premier Nationals**  
Immediately following Premier Highland results

Premier 7 & U12	Premier 12 & over
Scottish Lilt (4)	Scottish Lilt (4)
Blue Bonnets (4)	Blue Bonnets (4)
Earl of Errol (4)	Earl of Errol (4)
Sailor's Hornpipe (4)	Sailor's Hornpipe (5)

**Sunday, May 3, 2026 Afternoon Events**  
(Registration 12:00 pm Dancing 12:30 pm)

Primary	Beginner/Novice
Fling (4)	Fling (4)
Sword (2&1)	Sword (2&1)
Pas de Basque	Seann Triubhas (3&1)
Pas de Basque &	Scottish Lilt (4)
High Cuts	Flora McDonald (4)

## ENTRY FEES

CATEGORY	FEES
Provincial Championship	\$ 60.00 per dancer
Pre-Premier/Premier U16 years	\$ 7.00 per dance
Premier over 16 years	\$ 8.00 per dance
AHDA Fee	\$ 1.00/entry
ScotDance Alberta fee	\$ 1.00/entry
Administration fee	\$ 8.00/entry
Admission Championship-13 years & over	\$ 8.00 each
Admission Championship-Child 6-13 yrs/Senior	\$ 5.00 each
Admission Competition- 13 years & over	\$ 5.00 each
Admission Competition- Child 6-13 yrs/Senior	\$ 3.00 each
Admission, any day Children under 6 years	free

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