



2022 SYLLABUS

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Langwarrin Performing Arts Centre,
Elisabeth Murdoch College, 80 Warrandyte Road, Langwarrin
Saturday June 11th and Sunday June 12th, 2022

**IT'S GREAT
TO BE BACK!**



IMPORTANT NOTICE

The McAleer Open Championship Committee invites you to join us in 2022 for the McAleer Open Championship. After two challenging years for us all, it is wonderful that we can proceed with the 2022 McAleer Open Championship.

At the time of the syllabus being released, we are not restricted by covid requirements, but there is always a possibility that some level of social distancing requirements may be in place during the course of the event. Attendees should keep this in mind when making travel arrangements.

We may also need to implement the following:

- Restricted access to the theatre for non-competitors
- Restricted facilities available, including practise and warm up areas, vendors and food and beverage outlets
- Possible changes to presentation procedures

We will closely observe and follow any advice from the Victorian State Government and relevant authorities.

All attendees will be required to follow all policies and directives that will be in place during the Championships.

We are very hopeful our event can run as normal in 2022.

The McAleer Open Championship has a NO REFUND policy on all entries paid, with the exception of governmental regulations prohibiting an individual from travelling to the event. Individuals would need to apply directly to the committee via the mcaleerchampionship@gmail.com with details of any situation of this kind that may arise.

It is with sincere thanks and gratitude, that we acknowledge your support of our championship. It's great to be back!

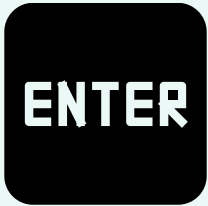
Your friends in dancing,

The McAleer Open Championship Committee



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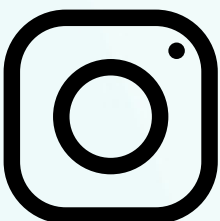
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Venue: Langwarrin Performing Arts Centre, Elisabeth Murdoch College, 80 Warrandyte Road, Langwarrin

Adjudicators: Sean Kelliher ADCRG, VIC; Bernadette Whelan ADCRG, NSW, Donna Reilly-Cannon ADCRG NSW

Musician: Stephen Carolan, TCRG QLD

Correspondence to: mcaleerchampionship@gmail.com

Ages: As of January 1st, 2022

Enter via: <https://www.trybooking.com/BYUVS>

Entry Closing Date: Friday May 13th at 10:00pm

Entry Fees: Championship \$80, Championship & Preliminary \$120, Premierships \$40

Family Fee: \$40 per family

This fee includes admission to all sessions, the digital program and the relevant Championship and/or Premiership marks.

- The digital program will be emailed to the address supplied at the time of entry, on Thursday June 11th.
- The marks for the Championship & Premiership will be provided to the competitors at the end of the presentations.
- Printed programs are available to purchase at the time of entry for \$10.00

Additional fees: .50c Trybooking Fee applies to every section entered and the family fee.

- Dancers can enter a **maximum** of 1 x Championship/Preliminary and 1 x Premiership **or** 2 x Premierships.
- Dancers aged 15 & Over on January 1st 2022, please note that the Championship and Premierships may run simultaneously. If a timetable conflict presents, we will contact the competitor and offer a refund for either the Championship or Premiership.



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Provisional Timetable: (order of events to be confirmed after entries close)

Saturday June 11th

- Under 6 Mixed Championship - born in 2016 or later
- Under 7 Mixed Championship - born in 2015
- Under 8 Girls Championship - born in 2014
- Under 9 Girls Championship - born in 2013
- Under 9 Boys Championship - born in 2014 & 2013
- Under 10 Girls Championship - born in 2012
- Under 11 Girls Championship - born in 2011
- Under 11 Boys Championship - born in 2012 & 2011
- Under 12 Girls Championship - born in 2010
- Under 13 Girls Championship - born in 2009
- Under 13 Boys Championship - born in 2010 & 2009
- Under 14 Girls Championship - born in 2008
- Under 15 Girls Championship - born in 2007
- Under 15 Boys Championship - born in 2008 & 2007

Sunday June 12th

- All Beginner, Primary, Black Out and Adult Premiership dancers.
- Under 16 Girls Championship - born in 2006
- Under 17 Girls Championship - born in 2005
- Under 18 Ladies Championship - born in 2004
- Under 19 Ladies Championship - born in 2003
- Under 20 Ladies Championship - born in 2002
- 20 & Over Ladies Championship - born in 2001 or earlier
- 15 & Over Men Championship - born in 2006 or earlier

The order of sections on each day will be determined after entries have closed.

Dance to the Music will be offered on Sunday June 12th, and will be enter on the day.



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CHAMPIONSHIP

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Under 6 Mixed Championship	2016 or later	Choice Reel (Bun, Tus or Ard), Light Jig & Single Jig
Under 7 Mixed Championship	2015	Choice Reel (Bun, Tus or Ard), Light Jig & Single Jig
Under 8 Girls Championship	2014	Treble Jig (32 bars), Reel and Traditional Set Dance
Under 9 Girls Championship	2013	Treble Jig (32 bars), Reel and Traditional Set Dance
Under 9 Boys Championship	2014 & 2013	Treble Jig (32 bars), Reel and Traditional Set Dance
Under 10 Girls Championship	2012	Hornpipe, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 11 Girls Championship	2011	Treble Jig, Slip Jig and Choice Set Dance
Under 11 Boys Championship	2012 & 2011	Choice Heavy Dance, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 12 Girls Championship	2010	Hornpipe, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 13 Girls Championship	2009	Treble Jig, Slip Jig and Choice Set Dance
Under 13 Boys Championship	2010 & 2009	Choice Heavy Dance, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 14 Girls Championship	2008	Hornpipe, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 15 Girls Championship	2007	Treble Jig, Slip Jig and Choice Set Dance
Under 15 Boys Championship	2008 & 2007	Choice Heavy Dance, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 16 Girls Championship	2006	Hornpipe, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 17 Girls Championship	2005	Treble Jig, Slip Jig and Choice Set Dance
Under 18 Ladies Championship	2004	Hornpipe, Reel and Choice Set Dance
Under 19 Ladies Championship	2003	Treble Jig, Slip Jig and Choice Set Dance
Under 20 Ladies Championship	2002	Hornpipe, Reel and Choice Set Dance
20 & Over Ladies Championship	2001 or earlier	Choice Heavy Dance, Choice Light Dance and Choice Set Dance
15 & Over Mens Championship	2006 or earlier	Choice Heavy Dance, Reel and Choice Set Dance



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PREMIERSHIP

Pre Bun (Pre Beginner) Premiership
(3, 4 & 5 years only)

Bun (Beginner) Premierships

Tus (Primary) Premierships

Black Out Premiership (Mean and Ard
grade)

Adult Premiership

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Any two Bun (beginner) grade light dances. 32 bars
only. Same dance can be repeated.

Any two Bun (beginner) grade light dances.

One Tus (primary) light dances and one Tus Treble Jig
or Traditional Set Dance

Choice Reel or Slip Jig, Choice Jig or Hornpipe (32
bars)

Any two Bun (beginner) grade light dances.

- Pre Bun: For dancers aged 3, 4 or 5 on January 1st 2022
- Black Out: Dancers must wear black apparel. See rules for costume clarification.
- Adult: For dancers over the age of 18 years who did not take Irish dance classes as a juvenile
- All speeds are as per AIDA Inc grading rules.
- Competitors will be required to confirm which dances they will competing with in the premierships at the time of entry.



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RULES OF THE 2022 MCALEER OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

This Championship is conducted under the Rules and Regulations of An Coimisiun le Rince Gaelacha and the Australian Irish Dancing Association Inc. (AIDA Inc.)

RULES

In order for entries to be accepted teachers must note that all Competitors:

- must be pupils of teachers who at the date of entry are registered with An Coimisiun for the year 2022 dancing year
- must not on the date(s) of their competition(s) be ineligible to compete due to any rule.
- must have been formally entered and have had their entry fees paid in full in due time in accordance with these rules and the General Rules of the Organising Committee.

LODGEMENT OF ENTRIES

- **ENTRIES CLOSE 10:00PM FRIDAY MAY 13TH 2022**
- All competitors must be entered online via <https://www.trybooking.com/BYUJVS>
- Entries received after the due date will be treated as late for 7 days only, and will be charged a late fee of double the total entry fee. Entries cannot be accepted after May 22nd, 2022

PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIPS - RULES AND DIRECTIVES

1. Preliminary Championships will be offered in the girls sections from 9 Years of age on January 1st 2022.
2. Preliminary Championship will be danced as part of the Open Championship.
3. Entry to the Preliminary Championships will be restricted to the following –
 - Dancers who have never won an Open Championship
 - Dancers who did not attain a top ten position at a National Championships for 2019.
4. Preliminary Championship result would be calculated on the first 2 rounds of the Open Championship only, awarding top five with a prize ratio of 1:2 thereafter – e.g. if there were 10 Prelim. entries in the Under 12s Girls, only 5 Places for Preliminary Championships would be awarded.
5. Dancers cannot enter the Preliminary Championship unless they have entered the Open Championships in the same age group.



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AGE LIMITS

The age of a competitor shall be taken as on 1st January 2022. Where a competitor's birth date falls on 1st January he/she shall, for the McAleer Championship be regarded as under the age attained on that day.

PRIZES

In all Championship sections, all dancers will be recalled and in sections with 11 or more dancers, 60% of those dancers will receive a placing, whilst the remaining 40% will receive a Championship award.

In all Premierships sections, 60% of dancers will be placed in every section. Dancers with 5 or less competitors will all be placed.

Premierships with 3 or less competitors may be combined with another age group. This does not apply to Pre Bun premierships.

BLACK OUT PREMIERSHIPS

The Black Out Premierships will take place on Sunday June 12th. Competitors are only permitted to wear black out dance attire: Black dresses, black skirt and separate body suit, black t-shirt, black pants, black shirts.

Please note the following:

When wearing **body suits with skirts** (commonly known as black-out attire) black tights (of a denier (not) less than 70) must be worn from the age of 14 and above. Effective date: 1st February, 2020.



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ORDER OF DANCING, CONDUCT, MISHAPS

Competitors must:

- Obey all instructions of the Organising Committee otherwise permission to dance will be withdrawn.
- Dance in numerical order as published in the official program.
- The organising committee has the right to commence a Championship not more than 30 minutes prior to the scheduled commencement time.
- Except for the first section of the day, dancers must be in costume and ready to dance not less than 30 minutes prior to the time scheduled for their competition.
- Present to the marshalling area when called to do so by Stage Personnel. Sections will only be called for ONCE.
- Should a dancer lose a heel or a complete shoe or have an open lace, he/she may stand back, allowing the other dancer(s), where applicable, to continue dancing uninhibited. In such a case the dancer concerned will be permitted to re-dance as soon as it is deemed practicable by the stage personnel.
- No liability is accepted by the organising committee for any injury caused to any person, including but not limited to, competitors, however caused and whether or not caused by the negligence or default of the organising committee, its servants or agents. The lodgement of an entry will be deemed to be an acceptance of this provision.
- Should a dancer fall, slip or bump into another dancer on stage, whether in solos or in teams, the adjudicator
- Lead Round - Heavy Dances: In all heavy dances, i.e. Jig and Hornpipe, for competitions for Tus, Mean and Ard Grads, the Lead Round must be danced on both right and left foot.
- MUST ring the bell thereby stopping the performance of all dancers on stage. Dancers so affected will be permitted to redance and will be marked then at the discretion of each individual adjudicator.
- Should in the opinion of the Stage Personnel (in consultation if deemed necessary with medical personnel) a dancer be unfit to re-dance, and if such dancer insists on performing the dancer concerned will only be permitted to re-dance on completion of a formal declaration which removes the organising committee of any liability. Any repeat accident/ incident which results in that dancer being unable to complete the required number of bars in any round, will result in the dancer withdrawing without question from the championship.
- If a dancer falls during the last 8 bars of any performance, then he/she will only be required to dance the last 16 bars of that dance again at a time convenient to both the dancers and the stage stewards.



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ORDER OF DANCING, CONDUCT, MISHAPS cont.

Competitors must:

- A competitor must not walk off the stage during a performance unless instructed to do so by an adjudicator. A dancer who dismisses himself or herself from the stage without the permission of an adjudicator will not be marked for that particular dance.
- If at any stage during a performance on stage an adjudicator feels that, due to the health and safety of a performer on stage that the performance should be stopped, the adjudicator must ring the bell.
- Respect for fellow competitors on stage is a requirement always. Lack of respect or courtesy for fellow competitors by aggressive dancing on stage will be subject to penalty at the discretion of each individual adjudicator.
- The light rounds from 10 yrs. upwards will be danced 2 at a time and the heavy rounds will be danced 2 at a time from 10 yrs. upwards if time permits. All other age groups will dance 3 at a time.
- Make-Up and Fake Tanning will not be permitted for any dancers in Novice, Bun or Tus for 11 years and under.
- Facial make up is not permitted for any dancer under the age of 10 years.

McALEER CHAMPIONSHIP PHOTOGRAPHY POLICY

No cameras, tape recorders, video cameras, mobile phones cameras, pagers or mobile phones are to be used by members of the audience for Championship, Tus, Black Out and Adult sections. Under Government copyright, privacy and safety laws all unauthorised recording of sound and image is strictly prohibited. Any offender will be requested to leave the audience and delete illegally copied sound/vision.



**THANK YOU
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The McAleeer Open Championship Committee