

Nassau County Board
Ancient Order of Hibernians

36th Annual Feis & Festival



Sunday, September 21, 2008
Hempstead Harbor Beach Park
West Shore Road
Port Washington, NY

Competitions

Solo Irish Dancing – Amateur and Championship
Bagpiping – Band & Solo Bagpiping and Drumming
Irish Music and Traditional Singing
Irish Art Irish Soda Bread

Attractions

Massed Pipe Bands
Irish Entertainment
Irish Wolfhounds
Over 20 Irish Vendors
Mass celebrated at 11:00 AM

Member of the North American Feis Commission

Harry Costello, President
Sanctioned by AN CIOMISIUN, DUBLIN IRELAND

Dancing Adjudicators

(subject to change, see feis website for updates)

Joan T. Cass – NY ✦ Mike Bergin – NY ✦ Vivienne Bergin – NY ✦ Ann L. Devine – CT
Sheila Dupuis – CT ✦ Irene Horgan – CT ✦ Joan McNiff Cass – NY
Siobhan Moore – NY ✦ Helaine Sander – NY ✦ Linda Sanfilippo – NY

2008 N.A.F.C. Championships

Minor

George Sweetnam Memorial Trophy
Sep 27 – Petri Feis, Smithtown, NY

Junior

Robert Gabor Perpetual Trophy
May 18 – Putnam Feis, Putnam County Park, NY

Senior

Gerry Campbell Perpetual Belt
May 10 – Queen City Feis

www.nassuaohfeis.com

The Nassau AOH Feis is registered, sanctioned and will be governed by the rules of An Coimisiun (www.clrg.ie), the North American Feis Commission (www.northamericanfeiscommission.org) and IDTANA Mid-Atlantic Region (www.mid-atlanticregion.com). Please refer to the applicable websites for rules governing the Feis.

The Feis Committee, Nassau County AOH, Hempstead Harbor Beach Park or any other organizations affiliated with same will not be held responsible for personal injury, property loss or damage. Destruction of Feis, County or rental property will be punishable by law.

Dancing entry inquiries may be directed to: laoh17@optonline.net

ENTRY FEES: Solos (including Premier Solos): \$7.00 per dance, Preliminary Championship: \$25.00; Open Championships: \$27.00. Parent & child dance: \$2.00 per dancer. Family maximum of \$80.00.

ENTRIES VIA POSTAL MAIL

Competitors must answer all questions as required by the Feis Entry committee, including teacher's name, and enclose the entry fee when mailing. Failure to do so will result in a rejected entry.

Entrants must list all information on a 3x5" index card.

The following must be included:

- ❖ Competitor's name, Parent or Guardian name, address, phone number, competitor's date of birth and age as of 1/1/2008, school name, competition number(s) and, optionally, email address.
- ❖ Preliminary Championships **must** include choice of dance: reel/jig, reel/hornpipe, slip jig/jig or slip jig/hornpipe.
- ❖ Open Championships **must** include choice of soft shoe dance, set dance & tempo.
- ❖ Entries will be limited to the first 800 valid entries.
- ❖ Competitor Number cards will not be mailed. They will be available the morning of the Feis beginning at 8:15AM.
- ❖ Entries **postmarked on or after August 25, 2008 must** include a late fee of \$10.00.
- ❖ Entries **postmarked after September 6, 2008 will not** be accepted.
- ❖ **Make checks payable to: A.O.H. Feis.**

MAIL ENTRY FORMS TO:
Nassau County A.O.H. Feis
P. O. Box 185
Island Park NY 11558

ENTRIES VIA INTERNET

- ❖ Entries will be accepted on www.efeis.com through September 12, 2008
- ❖ Entries **created OR paid** after August 25, 2008 will be charged a late fee of \$10.
- ❖ "MAIL PAYMENT" Option entries must *remit payment postmarked no later than* September 6, 2008
- ❖ **All entries as of September 6, 2008 must use the "PAY ONLINE" method of payment.**

If the Feis is cancelled for any reason, entry fees will be credited to the following year unless a written request for refund is submitted within 30 days of Feis date. Late fees are not refundable, nor will they be credited.

DANCING COMPETITIONS

BEGINNER: A competitor who has not taken a full year of Irish Dance lessons, thereby giving beginners a full year with such status. A Beginner must move into Advanced Beginner the following year. No solo dress costumes permitted; dancer must compete in a school costume or skirt & blouse.

| GIRLS | REEL | LIGHT JIG | SLIP JIG |
|-----------|------|-----------|----------|
| Under 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| Under 6 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Under 7 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Under 8 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| Under 9 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Under 10 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| Under 11 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| Under 12 | 22 | 23 | 24 |
| Under 13 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| Under 14 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| Under 15 | 31 | 32 | 33 |
| 15 & Over | 34 | 35 | 36 |

| BOYS | REEL | LIGHT JIG |
|-----------|------|-----------|
| Under 5 | 37 | 38 |
| Under 6 | 39 | 40 |
| Under 7 | 41 | 42 |
| Under 8 | 43 | 44 |
| Under 9 | 45 | 46 |
| Under 10 | 47 | 48 |
| Under 11 | 49 | 50 |
| Under 12 | 51 | 52 |
| Under 13 | 53 | 54 |
| Under 14 | 55 | 56 |
| Under 15 | 57 | 58 |
| 15 & Over | 59 | 60 |

ADVANCED BEGINNER: Dancers who place 1st, 2nd or 3rd place in Advanced Beginner will advance to the Novice category in that particular dance on January 1st of the following year. No solo dress costumes permitted; dancer must compete in a school costume or skirt & blouse. Treble Jig tempo: 92; Hornpipe tempo: 138

| GIRLS | REEL | LIGHT JIG | SLIP JIG | TREBLE JIG | HORNPIPE |
|-----------|------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| Under 6 | 61 | 62 | 63 | 64 | 65 |
| Under 7 | 66 | 67 | 68 | 69 | 70 |
| Under 8 | 71 | 72 | 73 | 74 | 75 |
| Under 9 | 76 | 77 | 78 | 79 | 80 |
| Under 10 | 81 | 82 | 83 | 84 | 85 |
| Under 11 | 86 | 87 | 88 | 89 | 90 |
| Under 12 | 91 | 92 | 93 | 94 | 95 |
| Under 13 | 96 | 97 | 98 | 99 | 100 |
| Under 14 | 101 | 102 | 103 | 104 | 105 |
| Under 15 | 106 | 107 | 108 | 109 | 110 |
| 15 & Over | 111 | 112 | 113 | 114 | 115 |

| BOYS | REEL | LIGHT JIG | TREBLE JIG | HORNPIPE |
|-----------|------|-----------|------------|----------|
| Under 6 | 116 | 117 | 118 | 119 |
| Under 7 | 120 | 121 | 122 | 123 |
| Under 8 | 124 | 125 | 126 | 127 |
| Under 9 | 128 | 129 | 130 | 131 |
| Under 10 | 132 | 133 | 134 | 135 |
| Under 11 | 136 | 137 | 138 | 139 |
| Under 12 | 140 | 141 | 142 | 143 |
| Under 13 | 144 | 145 | 146 | 147 |
| Under 14 | 148 | 149 | 150 | 151 |
| Under 15 | 152 | 153 | 154 | 155 |
| 15 & Over | 156 | 157 | 158 | 159 |

NOVICE: Open to dancers who have placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in Advanced Beginner grade. A Novice who wins 1st place will advance to the Open (Prizewinner) grade in that particular dance the next year. Treble Jig tempo: 92 or 73; Hornpipe tempo: 138 or 113

| GIRLS | REEL | LIGHT JIG | SLIP JIG | TREBLE JIG | HORNPIPE |
|-----------|------|-----------|----------|------------|----------|
| Under 7 | 160 | 161 | 162 | 163 | 164 |
| Under 8 | 165 | 166 | 167 | 168 | 169 |
| Under 9 | 170 | 171 | 172 | 173 | 174 |
| Under 10 | 175 | 176 | 177 | 178 | 179 |
| Under 11 | 180 | 181 | 182 | 183 | 184 |
| Under 12 | 185 | 186 | 187 | 188 | 189 |
| Under 13 | 190 | 191 | 192 | 193 | 194 |
| Under 14 | 195 | 196 | 197 | 198 | 199 |
| Under 15 | 200 | 201 | 202 | 203 | 204 |
| 15 & Over | 205 | 206 | 207 | 208 | 209 |

| BOYS | REEL | LIGHT JIG | TREBLE JIG | HORNPIPE |
|-----------|------|-----------|------------|----------|
| Under 7 | 210 | 211 | 212 | 213 |
| Under 8 | 214 | 215 | 216 | 217 |
| Under 9 | 218 | 219 | 220 | 221 |
| Under 10 | 222 | 223 | 224 | 225 |
| Under 11 | 226 | 227 | 228 | 229 |
| Under 12 | 230 | 231 | 232 | 233 |
| Under 13 | 234 | 235 | 236 | 237 |
| Under 14 | 238 | 239 | 240 | 241 |
| Under 15 | 242 | 243 | 244 | 245 |
| 15 & Over | 246 | 247 | 248 | 249 |

OPEN (PRIZEWINNER): A competitor who does not qualify as a Beginner, Advanced Beginner or as a Novice. Treble Jig tempo: 73; Hornpipe tempo: 113

| GIRLS | REEL | SLIP JIG | TREBLE JIG | HORNPIPE |
|-----------|------|----------|------------|----------|
| Under 8 | 250 | 251 | 252 | 253 |
| Under 9 | 254 | 255 | 256 | 257 |
| Under 10 | 258 | 259 | 260 | 261 |
| Under 11 | 262 | 263 | 264 | 265 |
| Under 12 | 266 | 267 | 268 | 269 |
| Under 13 | 270 | 271 | 272 | 273 |
| Under 14 | 274 | 275 | 276 | 277 |
| Under 15 | 278 | 279 | 280 | 281 |
| 15 & Over | 282 | 283 | 284 | 285 |

| BOYS | REEL | TREBLE JIG | HORNPIPE |
|-----------|------|------------|----------|
| Under 8 | 286 | 287 | 288 |
| Under 9 | 289 | 290 | 291 |
| Under 10 | 292 | 293 | 294 |
| Under 11 | 295 | 296 | 297 |
| Under 12 | 298 | 299 | 300 |
| Under 13 | 301 | 302 | 303 |
| Under 14 | 304 | 305 | 306 |
| Under 15 | 307 | 308 | 309 |
| 15 & Over | 310 | 311 | 312 |

ADULT SOLO: An adult beginner is a competitor who never took Irish dancing lessons as a juvenile and is over 18 years of age. Treble Jig tempo: 92; Hornpipe tempo: 138

| ADULT | REEL | JIG | SLIP JIG | HORNPIPE |
|----------|------|-----|----------|----------|
| BEGINNER | 313 | 314 | 315 | 316 |
| NOVICE | 317 | 318 | 319 | 320 |
| ADVANCED | 321 | 322 | 323 | 324 |

SPECIAL DANCING EVENTS

Special Child 325 Parent & Child (2, 3 or 4 hand) 326

PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP

A dancer is required to perform a light shoe dance (reel or slip jig for ladies, reel for gentlemen) and a hard shoe dance (jig or hornpipe). Dance choices are: (A) Reel and Jig (B) Reel and Hornpipe (C) Slip Jig and Jig and (D) Slip Jig and Hornpipe. **CHOICE OF DANCES MUST BE SPECIFIED ON ENTRY CARD.** Reel and Jig – 48 bars of music; Slip Jig and Hornpipe – 40 bars of music. All dances two at a time.

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|----------|-----|------------|-----|
| Under 8 | 401 | Under 13 | 406 |
| Under 9 | 402 | Under 14 | 407 |
| Under 10 | 403 | Under 15 | 408 |
| Under 11 | 404 | Under 16 | 409 |
| Under 12 | 405 | 16 & Over* | 410 |

* Geraldine Brady Perpetual Trophy, donated by LAOH

OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

Indicate choice of soft dance and set dance on entry. Under 9 age group must dance Traditional Set (of choice). Dance choice can not be changed on the day of competition.

| GIRLS | | BOYS | |
|-----------|-----|-----------|-----|
| Under 9 | 411 | Under 9 | 417 |
| Under 11 | 412 | Under 11 | 418 |
| Under 13 | 413 | Under 13 | 419 |
| Under 15 | 414 | Under 15 | 420 |
| Under 17 | 415 | Under 17 | 421 |
| Under 19 | 416 | Under 19 | 422 |
| 19 & Over | 433 | 19 & Over | 434 |

PREMIER SOLO

Open to entrants of Preliminary and Open Championships. Danced two at a time. Jigs – 48 bars of music. Hornpipes – 40 bars of music. Treble Reel – two steps required.

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|-----------|-------------|-----|
| Under 10 | TREBLE REEL | 423 |
| Under 10 | JIG | 424 |
| Under 12 | TREBLE REEL | 425 |
| Under 12 | JIG | 426 |
| Under 12 | HORNPIPE | 427 |
| 12 & Over | TREBLE REEL | 428 |
| Under 16 | JIG | 429 |
| Under 16 | HORNPIPE | 430 |
| 16 & Over | JIG | 431 |
| 16 & Over | HORNPIPE | 432 |

EDWARD P. CALLAGHAN PERPETUAL CUP NASSAU COUNTY A.O.H. CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to competitors who place FIRST in competitions 411 through 422. Competitors must dance a set piece in contrasting tempo to the one performed in the qualifying competition.

MUSIC COMPETITIONS

ENTRY FEE: \$6.00

INSTRUMENTS

BEGINNER: Playing 2 years or less. One tune of your choice.

| | TIN WHISTLE | FIDDLE | ACCORDIAN | MISC. |
|-----------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| Under 10 | 501 | 502 | 503 | 504 |
| Under 15 | 505 | 506 | 507 | 508 |
| 15 & Over | 509 | 510 | 511 | 512 |

ADVANCED: Playing more than 2 years. Two tunes of your choice.

| | TIN WHISTLE | FIDDLE | ACCORDIAN | MISC. |
|-----------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| Under 10 | 513 | 514 | 515 | 516 |
| Under 15 | 517 | 518 | 519 | 520 |
| 15 & Over | 521 | 522 | 523 | 524 |

TRADITIONAL SINGING

Entrants will sing their choice of popular Irish song in the traditional style (no accompaniment). Come let us hear your voice.

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| Boys & Girls Under 14 | 525 |
| Boys & Girls Under 18 | 526 |
| Ladies 18 & Over | 527 |
| Gentlemen 18 & Over | 528 |

IRISH ART

NO ENTRY FEE

Do not mail artwork entries. Artwork to be entered must be on display before noon on the day of the Feis. No more than two artworks per competitor. Competitor's name and address must appear on the back of each piece. All entries must be mounted but not framed. Artwork must be collected after 5:00 PM on the day of Feis.

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| Under 9 | Irish Scene in Watercolor or Crayon | 601 |
| 9 to 11 years | Irish Scene in Any Medium | 602 |
| 12 to 14 years | Irish Scene in Any Medium | 603 |
| 15 to 18 years | Irish Famine Scene in Oil, Acrylic or Watercolor | 604 |
| Over 18 years | Irish Scene in Any Medium | 605 |
| Under 11 | Celtic Design in Black & White | 606 |
| 11 to 15 years | Celtic Design in Color | 607 |
| Over 15 years | Original Celtic Design in Color | 608 |

IRISH SODA BREAD

Bread must be submitted to the Baking Competition Chairperson between 11 AM and noon on the day of the Feis. Awards will be given for the top three breads in each competition. Entries will be judged on the basis of looks, texture and taste. **Entry for this event is the donation of the Irish Soda Bread, which will become property of the Feis Committee.**

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| WHITE BREAD | 701 |
| BROWN BREAD | 702 |

IRISH LANGUAGE EVENT

In Memory of Joseph P. Halligan

Join us in our outdoor "chat room" at the Feis. Practice your Irish Gaelic with other participants, trying to use as much Irish as you have or can remember. This is not restricted to "speakers" only, but to interested listeners as well. Get the feel for our spoken heritage. The event will start at 2 pm and will go on through the afternoon.

BAGPIPE, DRUMMING and PIPE BANDS

For information on Pipe Band and Solo Bagpiping and Drumming competitions, visit our web site at: www.nassauohfeis.com or send an email to: nassaufeis@aol.com

Directions to Hempstead Harbor Beach Park

Long Island Expressway (I-495)

Exit 37 (Willis Avenue). Turn North onto Willis Avenue (left from South Service Road, right from North Service Road). North of the L.I.E., Willis Avenue is renamed Mineola Avenue. Go North on Mineola Avenue for approximately one mile. Turn right onto Old Northern Blvd (one block before Route 25A). Stay on Old Northern Blvd to bottom of hill and turn left at traffic light onto West Shore Road. Hempstead Harbor Beach is approximately 2 ½ miles ahead on the right, immediately after Bar Beach.

Northern State Parkway

Exit 29 North (Roslyn Road), north on Roslyn Road to end (Landmark: Clock Tower on right). Turn left at traffic light onto Old Northern Blvd then bear right around curve onto West Shore Road. Continue approximately 2 ½ miles. Hempstead Harbor Beach Park is the second park on the right, immediately after Bar Beach.