

United Scottish Society's 92nd Annual Scottish Fest Highland Dance Competition

OC Fair & Event Center, Costa Mesa, CA May 25 - 26, 2024

## USW-0615 Entry Information

Saturday Morning: Check in: 9:30 am Dancing Begins: 10:00 am

#### EVENT #1 SDUSA WEST REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP (CLOSED)

Premier (7&U10) (10&U12): Fling (4), Sword (2&1), Triubhas (3&1), Reel of Tulloch Premier (12&U14) (14&U16) (16&U18) (18&U22) (22&O): Fling (6), Sword (3&1), Triubhas (4&2), Reel of Tulloch

Special Dance off: City of Edinburgh Shield (To be completed at end of Championship) <u>Dance will be Fling (6) – 2024 Set steps not required.</u> (See Rule #11 for details)

Saturday Afternoon: Check in: 2:30 pm Dancing Begins: 3:00 pm

#### **EVENT #2 PREMIER NATIONALS (OPEN)**

Premier - (7 & U12): Hornpipe (4), Laddie (4), Lilt (4), Earl (4) Premier - (12 & U16) (16 & O): Hornpipe (5), Laddie (4), Lilt (4), Earl (4)

#### **EVENT #3 PRE-PREMIER NATIONALS COMPETITION**

Beginner: Lilt (4), Flora (4), Strathspey & Highland Reel, Trophy Fling (4)\* Novice: Lilt (4), Flora (4), Strathspey & Highland Reel, Trophy Fling (4)\* Intermediate: Hornpipe (4), Laddie (4), Lilt (4), Flora (4) \*Trophy Flings are not part of aggregate

#### **EVENT #4 SATURDAY PRIMARY COMPETITION**

Primary: 16 PDB, PDB/Hi-Cuts (4), Sword (2&1), Fling (4)

Sunday Morning: Check in: 9:30 am Dancing Begins: 10:00 am

#### **EVENT #5 PACIFIC COAST OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP**

Premier - (7&U12) Fling (4), Sword (2&1), Triubhas (3&1), Reel of Tulloch Premier - (12&U16) (16&O): Fling (6), Sword (3&1), Triubhas (4&2), Reel of Tulloch

Sunday Afternoon: Check in: 1:30 pm Dancing Begins: 2:00 pm

#### **EVENT #6 PRE-PREMIER HIGHLAND COMPETITION**

Beginner: Fling (4), Sword (2&1), Triubhas (3&1) Novice: Fling (4), Sword (2&1), Triubhas (3&1) Intermediate: Fling (4), Sword (2&1), Triubhas (3&1)

#### **EVENT #7 SUNDAY PRIMARY COMPETITION**

Primary: 16 PDB, PDB/Hi-Cuts (4), Sword (2&1), Fling (4)

Entry Fees				
Primary	1-Day	\$25		
	2-Day	\$40		
Beginner	1-Day	\$50		
5	2-Day	\$80		
Novice	1-Day	\$50		
	2-Day	\$80		
Intermediate	1-Day	\$50		
	2-Day	\$80		

	All Events (Closed Championship, Open Championship, Nationals) *West Region Premiers Only	\$150
Premier	Saturday Closed Championship *West Region Premiers Only	\$60
	Saturday Nationals	\$50
	Sunday Open Championship	\$60

# **Sponsorship Opportunities**

Sponsorship	Medal Set	\$25
Opportunities	Trophy	\$75

# **Additional Details**

• Scottish Fest website for pre-event **ticket sales**: <u>www.scottishfest.com</u>. It is recommended families purchase tickets in advance to avoid gate lines.

## • Scottish Fest Host Hotel:

Irvine Marriott
18000 Von Karman Ave.
Irvine, CA 92612
Check Scottish Fest website – <u>www.scottishfest.com</u> – for host hotel link.

#### EVENT RULES

# Entries for the West Region Closed Championship MUST be received by April 25, 2024. No entries for the Closed Championship will be accepted after April 25, 2024. Entries for all other events will be accepted after April 25, 2024 with additional fees. See rule #17.

- 1. All dancing events will be held under the rules of the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing (RSOBHD).
- 2. Any protest must be submitted in writing to the Chairperson of the Highland Dance Committee, properly signed and accompanied by a fee of \$20, and it must be made immediately following the posting of the results. If the protest is sustained, the fee will be returned.
- 3. Communication with a judge, piper or scrutineer, regarding a competitor will result in disqualification of that competitor.
- 4. The Organizer reserves the right to change any event or time schedule and to split or combine dance groups based on the number of entries within the scope of RSOBHD rules. Age groups for the Pacific Coast Open Championship may be changed at the discretion of the Organizer after entries have been received.
- 5. Dancers must be in costume to receive awards. If there are three dancers or fewer in any event, medals will be awarded at judges' discretion.
- 6. Last to enter, first to dance. Dancers must be ready and appear when called or forfeit the chance to dance in that event.
- 7. All dancers must be registered with SDUSA or another registration body in order to dance. A current dancer registration card must be produced on the day of competition. No digital or paper copy of card will be accepted.
- 8. All dance competitors, teachers, and parents are expected to comply with the ScotDance USA Code of Ethics.
- 9. Competitor numbers will be given out during event check in.
- 10. WEST REGIONAL (CLOSED) CHAMPIONSHIP and PACIFIC COAST OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 set steps as prescribed by the RSOBHD must be danced.
- 11. CITY OF EDINBURGH SHIELD To qualify for the City of Edinburgh Shield, a dancer must win a 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the Fling, Sword or Seann Triubhas in the 7 & U10, 10 & U12, 12 & U14, and 14 & U16 sections in the West Regional Closed Championship. The dance-off will be danced immediately after the Championship. Total aggregate points of the judges will determine the winner. The dance is listed on the first page of the entry. No set steps are required for the dance-off. Cash Awards: 1<sup>st</sup> -\$750, 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$250. Prize money is donated by the St. Andrews Society of LA.
- 12. Competitors may only compete in events in which their respective birth date applies. Saturday Regional Championship, age as of July 15, 2024. In all other events, age as of May 25, 2024.
- 13. Video Taping: Please only video tape your dancer. Be respectful of the privacy of others and do not video tape any other dancers. Please do not post videos online of dancers without their or their parent's permission.
- 14. Aggregate Trophies: One aggregate trophy will be presented in all competitions that occur over the weekend with the exception of Primary. An aggregate trophy will be awarded for any Championship age group with fewer than 6 competitors. Beginner and Novice Trophy Flings are standalone events and not part of the aggregate award for the day.
- 15. Prize Money (Premier Events): Cash prizes for dancers in each 16 & over age groups in the Pacific Coast Open Championship and Premier Nationals 1<sup>st</sup>-\$30, 2<sup>nd</sup>-\$25, 3<sup>rd</sup>-\$20, 4<sup>th</sup>-\$15, 5<sup>th</sup>-\$10, 6<sup>th</sup>-\$5. Number of cash prizes awarded in each category will be 2 fewer than the number of competitors, up to a maximum of 6 prizes.
- 16. Entries for the West Region Closed Championship must be received by April 25, 2024. No entries for the Closed Championship will be accepted after April 25. Competitors entering by April 25 will receive an entrance ticket for each day they are competing via email.
- 17. Entries for all other events will be accepted after April 25 with a \$50 late fee and competitor must purchase their own entrance ticket.
- 18. REGIONAL CLOSED CHAMPIONSHIP RULES:
  - a. The Closed Championship will be conducted under RSOBHD rules governing closed Championships.
  - b. The West Regional Closed Championship/competition is considered by the RSOBHD to be a preliminary heat to the USIR Championship. If there are age groups with fewer than six dancers, championship rules will apply. In classes with three or fewer dancers, in order to qualify to compete in the USIR Championship, a dancer must gain aggregate points in the Regional Selection Competition. (ScotDance USA P and P, Article V Section A #6).
  - Age groups as set by ScotDance USA and will not be altered 7 & Under 10, 10 & U12, 12 & U14, 14 & U16, 16 & U18, 18 & U22, 22 & Over.
  - d. A dancer's age for the regional championship will be as of July 15, 2024.
  - e. In order to enter the West Regional Closed Championship a dancer must have been born in the region, lived in the region for a period of six (6) months immediately prior to the championship or temporarily reside in the region for a period of more than six (6) months in a calendar year because they are attending an educational institution in the region or for another legitimate reason. (*ScotDance USA's Policies & Procedures Article V Section C #2*).
  - f. 2024 RSOBHD Championship Steps **required** for all dances: Fling, Sword, Sean Truibhas, Full Tulloch.
  - g. Dancers are expected to fill in for Reels if required.
  - h. Entries close 1 month prior to the date of the championship April 25, 2024. No late entries will be accepted.
  - The first three winners (more for those categories with dancers holding a bye from USIR 2024) will be expected to represent the Region at the United States Inter-Regional Championship to be held in Boston, MA on July 17-21, 2024. <u>https://nationalchampionship.scotdanceusa.com/</u>. If you qualify as a representative and are unable to attend, please notify your regional delegate before June 1st.
  - j. Dancers who win a perpetual trophy at the USIR are responsible for transport, storage and cleaning of the USIR perpetual trophy. If the dancer is unable to attend the following year's USIR, it is their responsibility to safely ship the trophy to the required destination.