




2026 MAY DAY COMPETITION

Sunday 24th May, 2026

Renwick Community Memorial Hall
27 High Street, Renwick
Commencing 9:00am

Adjudicator: Kylie Allison-Miller (Wellington)

Entries close: 10pm 15th May, 2026

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Centre	Marlborough/Nelson 2026 MHD May Day 24 May 2026
Competition	
Approved	
Date Issued	21-Apr-26

EVENTS

Class 1 Novice Highland Fling Under 14 years	UNDER 14 YEARS
	Class 16 Sword Dance
6 YEARS AND UNDER	Class 17 Sailors Hornpipe
Class 2 Highland Fling	Class 18 Seann Triubhas
Class 3 Irish Jig S.T.	Class 19 Irish Hornpipe
	Class 20 Highland Reel (sub. Highland Fling)
UNDER 8 YEARS	
Class 4 Highland Fling	
Class 5 Sword Dance	OPEN
Class 6 Sailors Hornpipe	Class 21 Seann Triubhas
Class 7 Irish Jig S.T.	Class 22 Sword Dance
	Class 23 Highland Reel (sub. Highland Fling)
8 AND UNDER 10 YEARS	Class 24 Sailors Hornpipe
Class 8 Sword Dance	Class 25 Irish Jig S.T.
Class 9 Highland Fling	Class 26 Irish Hornpipe
Class 10 Sailors Hornpipe	
Class 11 Irish Jig S.T.	RESTRICTED UNDER 14 YEARS
	<i>Restricted to those dancers who have not won more than one Most Points trophies, (excluding Restricted classes), in the last 12 months</i>
10 AND UNDER 12 YEARS	
Class 12 Sailors Hornpipe	Class 27 Highland Fling
Class 13 Sword Dance	Class 28 Sword Dance
Class 14 Highland Fling	Class 29 Irish Jig S.T.
Class 15 Irish Jig S.T.	

ENTRY FEES

\$7.00 per class. \$10 admin fee per dancer.

MOST POINTS CUPS

Age group	Most points	Runner-up
6 years and under (classes 2-3)	Benton Family Cup	Jon Palmer Cup
Under 8 years (classes 4-7)	Criterion (Barrett) Cup	Celtic Cup
8 and Under 10 years (classes 8-11)	Stretch Cup	Dianne Cup
10 and Under 12 years (classes 12-15)	Harling Cup	Cresswell Cup
Under 14 years (classes 16-19)	Pandora Salon Trophy	Dwyer Cup
Open (classes 21,22,24,25,26)	Jack Barry Cup	Musgrove Cup
Restricted Under 14 Years (classes 27-29)	Marlb. Transport Challenge Cup	Pamela Doig Challenge Cup

OTHER CUPS AND AWARDS

Class 1	Novice Highland Fling	Novice Cup
Class 8	Sword Dance 8 & under 10 years	Meghan Parker Challenge Cup
Class 22	Sword Dance Open	Rowen Sword
Class 23	Highland Reel Open	Colleen Daly Cup

Local competitor gaining most points in own age group	Mildred Raynor Memorial Trophy
Competitor under 12 years gaining most points in own age group	Violet Tapp Cup
Local competitor under 12 years gaining most marks over the past year	Angela Marfell Cup
Local competitor 12 years & over gaining most marks over the past year	Fiona McWhinnie Cup
Male competitor under 14 years gaining most points in own age group*	Millar Tray
Male competitor under 14 years gaining runner up most points in own age group*	Joshua Benton Cup
Most correct kilt including department and interpretation as chosen by adjudicator	Leanne Wright Challenge Trophy

Most promising local competitor as selected by the adjudicator \$100 Marlborough Highland Dancing Scholarship

**in the situation of no points being awarded, aggregate marks will be used*

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All classes conducted under the by-laws of the Piping and Dancing Association of NZ Inc.
2. Registration cards must be shown when uplifting competition number.
3. All competitors must be in National Dress when receiving awards (P&D by-law 19.2).
4. Entries must be made via the online entry form and payment made via internet banking prior to the entry closing date. **No late entries will be accepted.**
5. All classes including reels will be pre drawn and competitor order will be as per the programme. The programme will be emailed to competitors prior to the event date.
6. Medals presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in classes 1 – 20 and 27 – 29 (15 competitors = 4th placing).
7. For classes 21 – 26, 1st \$7.00, 2nd \$5.50 and 3rd \$4.00 unless otherwise stated.
8. Ribbons presented for VHC, HC and C at the discretion of the adjudicator in all classes.
9. Any prize money awarded will be paid via online banking within 5 working days after the competition.
10. Most points awards will be calculated in accordance with P&D by-law 13., Method A.
11. In the event of a cup tie, aggregate marks will be used in accordance with P&D by-law 13.
12. All competitors compete at their own risk and Marlborough Highland Dancing Society Inc. accepts no responsibility for accidents or mishaps, and on these conditions only are entries accepted.
13. If you elect not to grant the Association/Society the right to use your image, it is your responsibility to remove yourself from situations where photos are likely to be taken, such as at presentation time. The Association does not guarantee that your image will not be published as part of a larger group or performance photograph, and by participating in the competition or event you automatically waive your rights in respect of such images.
14. This event will be run under the COVID-19 protection framework protocols and restrictions of the New Zealand Government and the Piping and Dancing Association of NZ Inc. current at the time of the competition.

ENTRY FORM

All entries **and payments** to be made online [by clicking here](#) prior to the closing date. Payments can be made to 'Marlborough Highland Dancing Society Incorporated' 12-3167-0262401-00 using competitor name and 'MAY DAY' as reference. **Please check you use this 2026 bank account number.**

For any queries please email: marlhighlanddancing@gmail.com