



2026 SPRING DAY COMPETITION

Saturday 5th September, 2026

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

Adjudicator: Victoria Trayner (Christchurch)

Entries close: 29th August 2026

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Centre	Marlborough/Nelson
Competition	2026 MHD Spring Day 29 AUG 2026
Approved	
Date Issued	1-Aug-26

EVENTS

Class 1 Novice Highland Fling Under 14 Years	Under 14 Years
	Class 16 Marlborough Premier Award Seann Triubhas 1 st \$10 2 nd \$7 3 rd \$5
6 Years & Under	Class 17 Irish Hornpipe
Class 2 Highland Fling	Class 18 Restricted Highland Reel* (<i>sub. Highland Fling</i>)
Class 3 Irish Jig Single Time	
	12 & Under 14 Years
Under 8 Years	Class 19 Sword Dance
Class 4 Marlborough Premier Award Highland Fling 1 st \$7 2 nd \$5 3 rd \$3	Class 20 Irish Jig Single Time
Class 5 Sword Dance	
Class 6 Irish Jig Single Time	Under 16 Years
Class 7 Sailors Hornpipe	Class 21 Marlborough Premier Award Irish Jig Single Time 1 st \$15 2 nd \$10 3 rd \$7
Under 10 Years	Open
Class 8 Marlborough Premier Award Sailors Hornpipe 1 st \$7 2 nd \$5 3 rd \$3	Class 22 Marlborough Premier Award Irish Jig Double Time 1 st \$15 2 nd \$10 3 rd \$7
8 & Under 10 Years	Class 23 Seann Triubhas
Class 9 Highland Fling	Class 24 Irish Reel (<i>sub. Irish Jig Single Time</i>)
Class 10 Sword Dance	Class 25 Sailors Hornpipe
Class 11 Irish Jig Single Time	Class 26 Highland Fling
Under 12 Years	Restricted Classes Under 14 Years**
Class 12 Marlborough Premier Award Irish Jig Single Time 1 st \$10 2 nd \$7 3 rd \$5	Class 27 Highland Fling** (6 steps)
	Class 28 Sword Dance**
	Class 29 Irish Jig Single Time**
10 & Under 12 Years	
Class 13 Highland Fling	
Class 14 Sword Dance	
Class 15 Sailors Hornpipe	

* Class 18 Restricted Highland Reel Under 14 Years: Dancers are eligible for this class if they have NEVER won first place in a Highland Reel at ANY competition in ANY age group.

** Restricted Classes 27-29 Under 14 Years: Dancers are eligible for these classes if they have NOT won a Most Points prize in the previous 12 months (including Most Points in a Restricted Class).

ENTRY FEES

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

Dancers – Please make sure you have renewed your yearly membership with the Piping and Dancing Association of New Zealand. This is due for renewal by the 1st of July each year. If you have not renewed your membership already, please do so here: <https://www.piping-dancing.org.nz/membership/online-membership-form/>

MOST POINTS CUPS

Age group	Most points	Runner-up
6 Years and under (classes 2 & 3)	Robyn Simmons School of Dance Cup	M.H.D.C. Cup
Under 8 years (classes 4-7)	Margaret Daines Cup	M.H.D.C. Cup
8 and under 10 years (classes 8-11)	Wadsworth Cup	M.H.D.C. Cup
10 and under 12 years (classes 12-15)	Gibbons Cup	M.H.D.C. Cup
12 and under 14 years (classes 16, 17, 19, 20)	Kay Lee Cup	M.H.D.C. Cup
Under 16 years (classes 21, 22, 23, 25) [#]	J and D Challenge Cup	M.H.D.C. Tray
Open (classes 22, 23, 25, 26) [#]	M.H.D.C. Cup	M.H.D.C. Cup
Restricted under 14 years (classes 27-29)	Amanda Horgan Cup	Sue Horgan Cup

[#]Please refer to condition of entry 14.

OTHER CUPS AND AWARDS

Class 1	Novice Highland Fling	Novice Cup
Class 18	Restricted Highland Reel under 14 years	Annette Wright Trophy
Class 17	Irish Hornpipe under 14 years	Julie Powell Memorial Cup
Unplaced local competitor under 12 years gaining highest card points in own age group		Holly Gleeson Cup
Competitor under 14 years gaining most points in own age group		Crystene Creswell Cup
Most promising competitor under 10 years as selected by the adjudicator		Laird Trophy
Competitor under 12 years portraying the most enjoyment of dance as chosen by adjudicator		Mya Blackmore Cup

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- Conducted under the by-laws of the Piping and Dancing Association of NZ Inc.
- Registration cards must be shown when uplifting competition number.
- All competitors must be in National Dress when receiving awards (P&D by-law 19.2).
- 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.
- All classes including Marlborough Premier Awards and 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.
- Medals presented for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in regular classes under 14 years and classes 27-29 (15 competitors = 4th placing) unless otherwise stated.
- For all classes 14 years and over 1st \$7.00, 2nd \$5.50 and 3rd \$4.00 unless otherwise stated.
- Ribbons presented for VHC, HC and C at the discretion of the adjudicator.
- Sashes and rosettes awarded for all Marlborough Premier Award classes instead of medals. Prize money will be awarded as stated.
- Prize money will be paid via online banking within 5 working days after the competition.
- Most points awards will be calculated in accordance with P&D by-law 13., Method A.
- In the event of a cup tie, aggregate marks will be used in accordance with P&D by-law 13.
- Classes 1, 18 & 24 are not included in age group most points and runner up awards. Classes 27-29 are only included in restricted most points and runner up awards.
- Under 16 competitors dancing in open age group will qualify for J and D Challenge Cup most points under 16 years, competitors 16 years and over will qualify for M.H.D.C. Cup most points open.
- 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.
- 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.
- 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 **12-3167-0262401-00** (Account name: Marlborough Highland Dancing Society Incorporated) using competitor name and 'SPRING DAY' as reference. For any queries please email: marlhighlanddancing@gmail.com