The Fairfield County Championships

SATURDAY, JANUARY 23RD 2027

Saxe Middle School
468 South Avenue
New Canaan, CT 06840

Co-Chairpersons:
Stephanie Coogan, Juliet O'Brien, & Joanna Walsh

Erin Pender LeVine, ADCRG
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Entries Deadline: Monday, January 18th, 2027 Maximum – 650 Entrants
Member, An Coimisiun, Dublin www.CLRG.ie Member, New England Region IDTANA

All Adjudicators & Musicians will be listed on Website as available.
Final Stage Schedule will be posted on Facebook and Instagram.

The Feis will be governed by the rules of An Coimisiun le Rinci Gaelacha, the Irish Dance Teachers Association of North America, and the New England Region.

Release, Waive, Hold Harmless Agreement I acknowledge that this activity involves exertion and carries with it the potential for injury. I hereby agree to waive the right to take legal action or join in any actions against the **Pender Keady Academy of Irish Dance**, **PKA Staff**, **PKIAF Volunteers**, **Saxe Middle School**, and/or any affiliates and associates for injuries incurred during practice and/or performance in any location. I hereby agree to indemnify, protect and save harmless the parties above or any of them from all judgments, cost and expenses whatsoever arising on account of any action, claim or demand by the minor child of mine, or any child for which I am acting in guardianship or supervisory capacity. It is understood and agreed that the participant is physically fit and prepared for participation in the activities which will be undertaken, and the participant has not been advised by any doctor or other medical person that participation in these activities should be avoided and/or limited. Participation in any competition or performance is at the sole discretion and decision of the parent or guardian.

Food & beverages will be available in the cafeteria. ABSOLUTELY NO FOOD OR BEVERAGES WILL BE PERMITTED IN GYMS OR AUDITORIUM. Saxe Middle School is a Smoke-Free Environment. NO SMOKING IS PERMITTED ON THE CAMPUS - EITHER INDOORS OR OUTDOORS.

NO DANCING ON ANY OF SCHOOL FLOORS. DANCING ON MARLEY ONLY
PRACTICE AREA WILL BE PROVIDED

ENTRIES CLOSE ON Monday, January 18th 2027 at 6:00pm. Any entry received after January 15, 2027 will be accepted only with $25 late fee. Any entry received on January 18, 2027 will incur a $50 late fee. Entries received after cap of 650 is achieved will be notified of rejection. No entries will be accepted after January 18, 2027. Unpaid entries can be deleted at any time.

All Competitors must register and pay through FeisWeb at www.FeisWeb.com

All Solo/Grade Competitions, Including Traditional Set: St. Patrick's Day, Garden of Daisies, Job of Journeywork, Blackbird, Jockey to the Fair, King of the Fairies, Three Sea Captains **Per Dance**	$15.00
Preliminary Championship per competitor	$60.00
Second Chance Preliminary Championship per competitor	$60.00
Open Championships per competitor	$70.00
Family Admission Fee **MUST be included with Entry Fee**	$25.00
Change Fee	$20.00
Feis Web Fee	$6.00
Charity Treble Reel Competitions 410, 411, 518 & 519 can be entered online or on day of Feis. **Proceeds go to Sheila Keady and Joe Pender Scholarship**	$20.00
Irish Soda Bread Competition	$15.00
Parent/Child Dance	$20.00
Adaptive/Inclusive Competition	$20.00
Maximum Family Fee – EXCLUDING Treble Reel and Family Admission/Gate Fee.	$250.00

NO REFUNDS. Money returned only if both original Feis date and the make-up date are cancelled. If the Feis cannot proceed on January 23, 2027 due to inclement weather, all entries will be automatically rolled over to the TBD make-up date in the Spring. NO EXCEPTIONS!!

<u>PLEASE NOTE</u>: SOLO COSTUMES ARE NOT PERMITTED IN PRE-BEGINNER, BEGINNER AND ADVANCED BEGINNER CATEGORIES. CLASS COSTUMES OR SKIRTS AND BLOUSES ONLY.

PRE-BEGINNER – Open to dancers who have never competed in a feis. One step, one at a time. Music Speed – 115.

Boys and Girls	Light Jig
Under 5	1
Under 6	2

BEGINNER – A competitor who is taking dancing lessons for less than 12 months. A Beginner must move to Advanced Beginner the next year. Music speeds: Reel/Slip Jig – 122, Light Jig – 115.

Boys and Girls	Reel	Light Jig	Slip Jig
Under 5	10	11	12
Under 6	13	14	15
Under 7	16	17	18
Under 8	19	20	21
Under 9	22	23	24
Under 10	25	26	27
Under 11	28	29	30
Under 12	31	32	33
12+	34	35	36
Adult	37	38	39

ADVANCED BEGINNER – A dancer who has completed one year in Beginner and has not won 1st, 2nd or 3rd in this category. Music speeds: Reel/Slip Jig – 122, Light Jig – 115 Treble.Jig – 92; Hornpipe – 138.

Boys and Girls	Reel	Light Jig	Slip Jig	Treble Jig	Traditional Hornpipe
Under 6	101	102	103	104	105
Under 7	106	107	108	109	110
Under 8	111	112	113	114	115
Under 9	116	117	118	119	120
Under 10	121	122	123	124	125
Under 11	126	127	128	129	130

Under 12	131	132	133	134	135
Under 13	136	137	138	139	140
13 +	141	142	143	144	145
Adult	146	147	148	149	150

NOVICE – A competitor who wins 1st, 2nd or 3rd in an Advanced Beginner category and never placed 1st in Novice. Music speeds: Reel/Slip Jig – 113; Light Jig – 115 Treble Jig – 73 or 92; Hornpipe – 113 or 138.

Boys and Girls	**Reel**	**Light Jig**	**Slip Jig**	**Treble Jig**	**Hornpipe**	**Traditional Set**
Under 6	201	202	203	204	205	206
Under 7	207	208	209	210	211	212
Under 8	213	214	215	216	217	218
Under 9	219	220	221	222	223	224
Under10	225	226	227	228	229	230
Under11	231	232	233	234	235	236
Under12	237	238	239	240	241	242
Under 13	243	244	245	246	247	248
Under 14	249	250	251	252	253	254
14+	255	256	257	258	259	260
Adult	261	262	263	264	265	266

PRIZEWINNER – A competitor who has placed 1st in a particular dance in Novice will advance to Prizewinner in that particular dance. Music speeds: Reel/Slip Jig – 113; Treble Jig – 73 or 92; Hornpipe – 113 or 138.

Boys and Girls	**Reel**	**Slip Jig**	**Treble Jig**	**Hornpipe**	**Traditional Set**
Under 6	301	302	303	304	305
Under 7	306	307	308	309	310
Under 8	311	312	313	314	315
Under 9	316	317	318	319	320
Under 10	321	322	323	324	325
Under 11	326	327	328	329	330

Under 12	331	332	333	334	335
Under 13	336	337	338	339	340
Under 14	341	342	343	344	345
14 +	346	347	348	349	350
Adult	351	352	353	354	355

PRELIMINARY Championship – Open to competitors who have placed 1st in Prizewinner solo light (reel/slip jig) AND heavy dance (jig/hornpipe) at any feis. **Competitions 400, 401, 402, 403, 404 and 405 will dance 3 at a time.** Hard shoe first. Select from light/heavy dances: **A** = Reel/Jig **B** = Reel/Hornpipe **C** = Slip Jig/Jig **D** = Slip Jig/Hornpipe.

Preliminary Championships				
Under 8	400A	400B	400C	400D
Under 9	401A	401B	401C	401D
Under 10	402A	402B	402C	402D
Under 11	403A	403B	403C	403D
Under 12	404A	404B	404C	404D
Under 13	405A	405B	405C	405D
Under 14	406A	406B	406C	406D
Under 15	407A	407B	407C	407D
Under 16	408A	408B	408C	408D
16 +	409A	409B	409C	409D
Adult	410A	410B	410C	410D
PRELIMINARY TREBLE REEL **Proceeds go to the Sheila Keady and Joe Pender Scholarship** **(Boys & Girls combined)**				
Under 12	411	12 & Over	412	

SECOND CHANCE PRELIMINARY Championship dancers in Second Chance MUST have entered the regular preliminary championship competition.

Second Chance Preliminary Championships				
Under 8	450A	450B	450C	450D
Under 9	451A	451B	451C	451D
Under 10	452A	452B	452C	452D

Under 11	453A	453B	453C	453D
Under 12	454A	454B	454C	454D
Under 13	455A	455B	455C	455D
Under 14	456A	456B	456C	456D
Under 15	457A	457B	457C	457D
Under 16	458A	458B	458C	458D
16 +	459A	459B	459C	459D
Adult	460A	460B	460C	460D

OPEN Championships – Dancers will perform three rounds: reel or slip jig, hornpipe or treble jig and set piece of dancer's choice. Dancers will dance 2 at a time. SOFT SHOE dance first. Note: U9 Open Girls and Boys competitors must dance a traditional set piece.**3 rounds, soft shoe first.**

Open Championships			
Girls		**Boys**	
Under 9	500 A	Under 9	501 A
Under 10	502 A,B,C,D	Under 10	503 A,B,C,D
Under 11	504 A,B,C,D	Under 11	505 A,B,C,D
Under 12	506 A,B,C,D	Under 12	507 A,B,C,D
Under 13	508 A,B,C,D	Under 13	509 A,B,C,D
Under 14	510 A,B,C,D	Under 14	511 A,B,C,D
Under 15	512 A,B,C,D	Under 15	513 A,B,C,D
Under 16	514 A,B,C,D	Under 16	515 A,B,C,D
Under 17	516 A,B,C,D	Under 17	517 A,B,C,D
Under 18	518 A,B,C,D	Under 18	519 A,B,C,D
18 +	520 A,B,C,D	18 +	521 A,B,C,D
Adult	522 A,B,C,D	Adult	523 A,B,C,D
OPEN TREBLE REEL **Competitions Proceeds go to the Sheila Keady and Joe Pender Scholarship** **(Boys & Girls combined)**			
Under 14	524	14 & Over	525

IRISH SODA BREAD COMPETITION – Deliver to front desk by 10AM.

600

ADAPTIVE/INCLUSIVE COMPETITION – Open to all ages, boys and girls. May dance one step or two steps to reel or jig music.

Boys and Girls	Reel or Jig
All Ages	601

PARENT/CHILD COMPETITION – Open to all ages, boys and girls. Will dance two steps to reel or jig music.

Boys and Girls	Reel or Jig
All Ages	602