

Far North Queensland Regional Committee of Highland Dancing Inc

2024 Queensland Highland Dancing Championships

Far North Queensland Titles and Competition

ABHDI C07/2024

FNQ 03/24

**SMITHFILED STATE HIGH SCHOOL
CENTRE OF ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT AND
PERFORMING ARTS
O'BRIEN ROAD
SMITHFIELD, CAIRNS QLD 4878**

Adjudicators: Ross Armour - Scotland
Alison Dell - Canberra
Lynelle McAtee - Bundaberg

SATURDAY 20th APRIL 2024

Queensland Highland Dancing Championships

Primary Competition

FNQ Beginners Title

FNQ Novice Title

FNQ Intermediate Title

FNQ Premier Restricted Title

FNQ Premier Title

Enter online at www.hdcomps.com

Entries close Monday 1st April 2024

Definitely no late entries

Administration Fee \$10.00 per entry

Enquiries to Meryll Munro – 0439 799 641

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**NO high heel shoes or moving of chairs will be
allowed in the hall.**

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SATURDAY 20th April 2024

ABHDI C07/2024 and FNQ 03/24

Session 1 – commencing at 8.30am

2024 Queensland Highland Dancing Championships – Entry Fee \$40.00

7 – 11 years

12 and 13 years

14 and 15 years

16 years and over

The Championships will be run concurrently. 2024 RSOBHD championship steps and rules are available at <https://www.abhdi.com>

Session 2 – commencing at approx 1.00pm

Entry Fee - \$25.00 per Title

Intermediate	FNQ Title	Sailors Hornpipe	4 Steps
		Scottish Lilt	4 Steps
		Flora MacDonalds Fancy	4 Steps
Premier Restricted	FNQ Title	Barracks Johnnie	4 Steps
		Flora McDonald's Fancy	4 Steps
		Scotch Measure	4 Steps
Premier	FNQ Title	Barracks Johnnie	4 Steps
		Flora McDonald's Fancy	4 Steps
		Scotch Measure	4 Steps

Premier Restricted FNQ Title, and Premier FNQ Title will be danced separately. Premier dancers may compete in either the Premier FNQ Title, or the Premier Restricted FNQ Title, but not both.

The Irene Barton Memorial Bursary: \$100 to be awarded to a Premier, Premier Restricted or Intermediate dancer registered in Far North Queensland worthy of encouragement. The recipient to be selected by the adjudicators.

Session 3 – commencing at approx 3.30pm

Entry Fee - \$25.00 per Title

Primary Entry Fee 7.00/dance		Highland Fling	4 Steps
		Sword Dance	2 + 1
		Pas de Basque	
		Pas de Basque & High Cuts	
Beginner	FNQ Title	Highland Fling	4 Steps
		Sword Dance	2 + 1
		Scottish Lilt	4 Steps
Novice	FNQ Title	Highland Fling	4 Steps
		Seann Truibhas	3 + 1
		Flora McDonald's Fancy	4 Steps

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AGE GROUPS: Will be decided upon receipt of entries

TITLES: Prizes will be awarded for individual dances

RULES AND CONDITIONS – SATURDAY 20th APRIL 2024

1. This competition is registered with the Far North Queensland Regional Committee of Highland Dancing Inc. Reg. No FNQ03/24 and will be conducted under the rules and conditions as set down by RSOBHD and adopted by ABHDI.
2. Dancers must be registered and present registration card on the day of the competition.
3. Age to be taken as at date of competition (FNQ03/24 – 20/04/2024)
4. Dancers are to compete in their own age group and in one classification only.
5. First to enter, last to dance.
6. **PRE-PREMIER** – Eligibility for Pre-Premier sections will apply as at date of competition and shall be in accordance with RSOBHD registration scheme.
7. **PREMIER RESTRICTED** – These dances are restricted to Premier dancers who have not been placed 1st, 2nd or 3rd in a Registered Championship since 20/04/2019. Dancers may compete in Premier Restricted Title **or** Premier Title, but not both. If a dancer has entered the Premier Restricted Title, and subsequently places 1st, 2nd or 3rd in the 2023 Queensland Championship, they will be permitted to dance in the Premier Restricted Title as entered.
8. **TITLES** – Dancers may choose not to compete in all dances that make up the Title and still be eligible for an overall title prize, however the full title fees still apply.
9. Dancers compete entirely at their own risk.
10. Dancers arriving late for a section will not be allowed to compete if the dance has been completed. Similarly, competitors may not pre-dance prior to the commencement of a section.
11. Dancers must 'fill in' if requested by the organizer. If a competitor fails to fill in unless for a medical reason the organizer has the right to enforce Rule 1g), P 45 D-Judge, RSOBHD Rules and Regulations which reads: "During the course of a competition the comportment and behaviour of the competitors may come under the jurisdiction of the judges, not only whilst dancing, but also when entering or leaving the platform and whilst waiting for the dance to start. Any unseemly behaviour on the part of a competitor or any misdemeanor likely to upset the decorum of the proceedings may be penalized by the judges and could lead to disqualification. A full report of any such misconduct on the part of a competitor must be submitted by the Judge to the Organizer. In serious cases, the Judge should also provide a report of any such conduct on the part of the competitor to the Organizer and to the RSOBHD.
12. Dancers entering sections when ineligible shall forfeit their entry fee.
13. The Committee reserves the right to refuse entries, substitute an Adjudicator and/or alter the program at their discretion.
14. Subject to the official protest ruling, the Judge's decision is final.
15. Any complaint made by an individual against the organization or the adjudication of an event must be in writing stating the complainant's full name and address and be lodged with the organizer, if possible on the day of the event, and no later than 48 hours after the event. Such a complaint is to be accompanied by a fee of \$5.00, which is refundable if the protest is upheld.
16. For presentation of prizes, dancers must be in Kilt or National Costume. Competition numbers must be worn for prize giving ceremony. For presentation of Queensland Highland Dancing Championship, dancers must be dressed in Kilt.
17. Video equipment and photography – **DEFINITELY NO FLASH PHOTOGRAPHY** is allowed whilst dancers are competing.
Videoing is permitted with the following proviso – Only own child or pupil can be filmed and at no time will the film or video be accepted as evidence when protesting judging. Unauthorized use of cameras, imaging and digital devices is prohibited, including recording using mobile phones. It is prohibited to use any device capable of recording or transmitting visual images without the organizer's permission. Following the awards, parents/carers may photograph their own child or other children with parental permission but must be highly aware that there must not be other children in the shot whose privacy must be protected. As organizers of this event, we plan to photograph competitors for the purpose of posting on our Website and/or Facebook page. If anyone wishes to opt out of this process, please advise the Organiser.
18. If after submitting an entry a competitor changes classification, the Entries Secretary must be notified, as soon as practicable, **PRIOR** to competition day.
19. Any rules pertaining to the competition and/or championship released from RSOBHD and ABHDI from time of printing this schedule and actual date of competition will be adhered to.
20. Competitors must use the official music and swords provided by the committee.
21. No practicing will be permitted around or behind the stage. The audience is requested to remain seated while sections are in progress.
22. Smoking is not permitted inside the hall or on school premises.
23. **NO HIGH HEELS SHOES ARE TO BE WORN.**
24. **NO MOVING OF CHAIRS IS ALLOWED.**
25. Dancers are requested to observe the ABHDI direction regarding standard of dress whilst in attendance at Highland Dancing Competitions, If dancers choose to remove any part of their costume whilst not competing, it is requested they be modestly attired at all times.
26. Far North Queensland Regional Committee of Highland Dancing Inc. is not liable for the safety of unaccompanied dancers and unsupervised non-dancers.
27. Far North Queensland Regional Committee of Highland Dancing Inc. Risk Management Strategy will be in force and will be available for anyone who wishes to peruse this document.
28. Entry fees (excluding admin fees) are fully refundable prior to 1st April **2024**. After this time, refunds (excluding admin fees) will only be given on production of a medical certificate and if the Competition Secretary is advised in writing prior to the event. No refunds will be given if a dancer does not meet the criteria above or does not compete on the day.

**ORDER OF EVENTS
SATURDAY 20th APRIL 2024**

Session 1 **Queensland Highland Dancing Championships**
8.30 am 7 – 11 Years, 12 and 13 Years, 14 and 15 Years, 16 Years and Over
(Championships will be run concurrently)

Session 2 **Intermediate FNQ Title**
Approx 1.00 pm **Premier Restricted FNQ Title**
 Premier FNQ Title

Presentation of Queensland Highland Dancing Championships
Presentation of FNQ Titles for Intermediate, Premier Restricted and Premier.

Presentation of The Irene Barton Memorial Bursary for Premier, Premier Restricted or Intermediate dancer.

Session 3 **Primary**
Approx 3.30 pm **Beginner FNQ Title**
 Novice FNQ Title

Presentation of Beginner and Novice FNQ Titles

Presentation of The Irene Barton Memorial Bursary for Beginner or Novice dancer.

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