

Nelson Highland Dancing Organisation Inc.

Scottish Society Day

Saturday 28 March 2026, commencing 9:00am

Venue: Richmond Town Hall, Cambridge Street, Richmond

Adjudicator: Karen Mortensen (Hawkes Bay)

PDANZ - Permit	
Centre	Marlborough/Nelson
Competition	NHDO Scottish Society Day
Approved	
Date Issued:	5 February 2026

Class Events

Trophies

Novice

- 1 Novice Highland Fling Under 14
Competitors who have not won a first place in any dance

Class 1: George Jamieson Cup

6 & Under

2 Highland Fling

3 Irish Jig

Under 8 Years

4 Highland Fling **

Most Points (Classes 4-7): McDonald Cup

5 Sword Dance **

Runner Up: Raye Leitch Cup

6 **NHDO Merit Award** Irish Jig **

Most Points Local: Birkett Cup

7 Sailors Hornpipe

Under 10 Years

8 Highland Fling **

Most Points (Classes 8-11): NPSS Challenge Cup

9 Sword Dance **

Runner Up: Raye Leitch Cup

10 Irish Jig **

Most Points Local: Cheryl Cliff Cup

11 **NHDO Merit Award** Sailors Hornpipe

Class 10: Bruce Rae Challenge Cup

Under 12 Years

12 **NHDO Merit Award** Highland Fling **

Most Points (Classes 12-15): McArthur Challenge Cup

13 Sword Dance **

Runner Up: Raye Leitch Cup

14 Irish Jig **

Most Points Local: Helen Byers Cup

15 Sailors Hornpipe

Class 12: Rachael Preston Cup

Under 14 Years

16 Highland Fling **

Most Points (Classes 16-20): Gillian Kennedy Ch. Cup

17 **NHDO Merit Award** Seann Triubhas

Runner Up: Nelson Thistle Club Ch. Cup

18 Highland Reel (sub. Sword Dance)

Most Points Local: Vollmer Challenge Cup

19 Irish Jig **

Class 17: McKenzie Challenge Cup

20 Sailors Hornpipe **

Under 16 Years

21 **South Island Championship** Sword Dance

Class 22: Attewell Cup

22 **NHDO Merit Award** Irish Hornpipe

Open

23 Highland Fling **

Most Points (Classes 23-29): Winifred Anderson Ch. Cup

24 Seann Triubhas **

Runner Up: Raye Leitch Cup

25 Highland Reel (sub. Sword Dance)

Most Points Local: McCully Cup

26 Reel O'Tulloch

Class 23: J Baxter Challenge Cup

27 **NHDO Merit Award** Irish Jig DT

Most Points Reels: Glenda Barber Ch. Cup

28 Irish Reel (sub. Irish Jig ST)

29 Sailors Hornpipe **

Restricted Under 14 Years

(Competitors who have not won more than two most points trophies)

30 Highland Fling

Most Points (Classes 30-32): Anne-Lise Christensen Cup

31 Sword Dance

Runner Up: Judith Ross Challenge Cup

32 Irish Jig

Extra Trophies:

- Most Points In Own Age (Classes **): Chieftains Shield
- Most Promising Local Under 14: K & J Sharplin Cup
- Most Points Over Two Indoor Competitions (Classes**): Wadsworth & Dick Cup
- Most Points Local Competitor Over One Year (Classes ** From Each Competition)
(Trophy awarded Members Day 2026): Wadsworth & Dick Cup

Rules and Conditions

1. All events conducted under the Piping & Dancing Association of NZ Inc By-Laws.
2. All entries must be accompanied by correct fees. Payment via internet banking preferred. No entry fee refunds after closing date of entries. Entries submitted after closing date will incur a \$15 late fee.
 - a. When a competitor is unable to compete due to serious injury or illness, the Nelson Highland Dancing Organisation Inc. committee will consider providing a refund upon receipt of a doctor's certificate.
3. All competitors must produce current P&D Registration card when uplifting number (photo evidence on phone is adequate). Failure to do so will incur payment of further fee.
4. All competitors dance at own risk and Nelson Highland Dancing Organisation Inc. accepts no responsibility for accidents or mishaps and entries are only accepted on these conditions.
5. Restricted Classes not counted towards age group trophies unless stated.
6. Prizes awarded as follows:
 - Under 14 Classes
 - Normal Classes: Medals 1st, 2nd, and 3rd
 - Merit Award Classes: 1st Sash, Rosettes 2nd and 3rd.
 - Under 16 & Open classes:
 - Normal Classes and Merit Awards: 1st \$10.00, 2nd \$7.00, & 3rd \$5.00.
 - South Island Championship: 1st \$25.00, 2nd \$20.00 & 3rd \$15.00.
 - Sashes/Rosettes also awarded in all Merit and Championship classes.
 - South Island Championships will only be awarded if 5 or more competitors in class.
 - All classes
 - Cards VHC, HC, and C in all classes at discretion of Adjudicator, unless noted otherwise.
 - 4th placing only awarded if entries in class exceed 15.
7. Most points prizes shall be calculated in accordance with Method A of Rule 13 P&D Bylaws. In the event of a tie, aggregate marks will be used in accordance with Rule 13 P&D Bylaws.
8. All trophies remain the property of Nelson Highland Dancing Organisation Inc and must be returned upon request.
9. Local competitors are those residing in the Nelson Province and who are current financial members of the Nelson Highland Dancing Organisation Inc.
10. If insufficient entries received in Reel classes, substitute dances will be as stated on programme.
11. Competitors must be in attendance to draw for all Reels, Merit Awards, and Championships when called upon by board steward or forfeit right to compete.
12. 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.
13. All participants to abide by current Covid 19 guidelines provided by NZ Piping and Dancing Inc.

Entry Fees

- Ordinary Classes \$4.00 per class
- Merit awards \$5.00 per class
- South Island Championship \$6.00 per class
- Administration Fee \$5.00 per Dancer
- Entries submitted after date below will incur a \$15 late fee.
- All entries to be made online. Please use following link:
[Scottish Society Day 2026](#)
- For internet banking our account number is:
Nelson Highland Dancing Organisation
02-0704-0141653-000
- Please include competitors name and SCOSOC as reference

Entries Close 21 March 2026

For all enquiries please email: entries.nelsonhighlanddancing@gmail.com

Order of events

(Committee reserve the right to amend as necessary)



Class 1	Novice Highland Fling Under 14 (No first placings in any event)
Class 16	Highland Fling Under 14
Class 9	Sword Dance Under 10
Class 23	Highland Fling Open
Class 12	NHDO Merit Award Highland Fling Under 12
Class 26	Reel O'Tulloch Open
Class 4	Highland Fling Under 8
Class 18	Highland Reel Under 14 (sub. Sword Dance)
Class 2	Highland Fling 6 & Under
Class 21	South Island Championship Sword Dance Under 16
Class 31	Restricted Sword Dance Under 14
Class 24	Seann Triubhas Open
Class 13	Sword Dance Under 12
Class 5	Sword Dance Under 8
Class 17	NHDO Merit Award Seann Triubhas Under 14
Class 8	Highland Fling Under 10
Class 30	Restricted Highland Fling Under 14
Class 25	Highland Reel Open (sub. Sword Dance)
Class 20	Sailors Hornpipe Under 14
Class 11	NHDO Merit Award Sailors Hornpipe Under 10
Class 29	Sailors Hornpipe Open
Class 7	Sailors Hornpipe Under 8
Class 15	Sailors Hornpipe Under 12
Class 14	Irish Jig Under 12
Class 19	Irish Jig Under 14
Class 6	NHDO Merit Award Irish Jig Under 8
Class 22	NHDO Merit Award Irish Hornpipe Under 16
Class 10	Irish Jig Under 10
Class 27	NHDO Merit Award Irish Jig DT Open
Class 3	Irish Jig 6 & Under
Class 28	Irish Reel Open (sub. Irish Hornpipe)
Class 32	Restricted Irish Jig Under 14