



**Loch Norman Highland Games & Carolinas Open  
Championship at Rural Hill  
April 12-13, 2025  
Competition USSE0416  
HIGHLAND DANCING RULES:**



The Competition will conform to **RSOBHD RULES**.

**Please bring a valid 2025 RSOBHD Registration card when registering. If a dancer does not bring their RSOBHD card with them, they will not be allowed to compete.**

Age will be computed as of April 12, 2025. Proof of age must be furnished if requested. Age groups for Pre-Premier Groups for Saturday and Sunday will be determined by entries received. Age groups for Premier Groups on Sunday will be determined by entries received. Championship Age Groups will be as listed with the exception that should an age group not make a championship due to the number of entries, the organizer may choose to combine groups as needed. Competitors will dance in reverse order of entry. **If you are unable to attend the competition, please contact Elaine at [Elaine.Burgin@gmail.com](mailto:Elaine.Burgin@gmail.com) ASAP.**

All judges' decisions are final. Competitors must remain in dancing attire until all medals and trophies have been awarded.

Trophy will be awarded to the dancer with the highest points in each class, with the exception of Primary. Primary will receive medals only. Six medals per class in Pre-Premier depending on the number of entries. Cash awards for all Premier/Championship Groups except for the restricted premier groups.

It is the dancer's responsibility to abide by the Three-Month Rule (dancers may not have taken any classes, on-line lessons, workshops, etc. with the judges for the event).

The dancing competitions will be held under a large tent with chairs available for spectators. There will be a changing tent provided for dancers. Small pop-up tents may be placed outside of the main tent during the competitions. Tents must be removed at the end of the day and may not be left overnight. They should not block entrances/exits to the dance tent.

**All Pre-registered Highland Dancing Competitors will receive Day of the Event Tickets. No one will be admitted to the Games without a ticket. Parking passes will be emailed to registered dancers. Please print and display in your vehicle.**

**\*\*On-Line Registration Only\*\*; On-Line Entry Deadline Date is April 1, 2025; Anyone missing the On-Line Entry Deadline may contact Elaine Burgin at [Elaine.Burgin@gmail.com](mailto:Elaine.Burgin@gmail.com); Late entries will be subject to double entry fees.**

**No field entries will be accepted! [Add Eventbrite Registration Link](#)**

**Judges:** Ann Landry, New Brunswick CA; Jennifer Hastings CO; Fred DeMarse CA

**Pipers:** Douglas Frobese, Duncanville, TX; Brian Green, IL

**Committee:** Elaine Burgin – Director, Towns Killough Paolucci, Margo Mulick-Rosenthal, Catherine Smith

**For inquiries contact:** Elaine Burgin at: 704-315-0776 or Email: [elaine.burgin@gmail.com](mailto:elaine.burgin@gmail.com)



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<p>APRIL 12th Carolinas Open Championship Registration begins at 8:30am; Dancing begins at 9:00am; Any competitor not present when called for an event by the announcer and marshall may be disqualified</p>	<p>APRIL 13th – Pre-Premier &amp; Premier Registration begins at 9:00am; Dancing begins at 9:30am. Any competitor not present when called for an event by the announcer and marshall may be disqualified</p>																																																	
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<p><u>Pre-premier registration will open either at the end of the last Championship dance, or at the end of Championship Awards (to be determined based on time).</u></p> <p><i>Pre-premier will start immediately after the lunch break</i></p>	<p><b>Section A – Premier – Entry Fee: \$35</b> Flora (4 steps), Scotch Measure (4 steps), Irish Jig (3 +1 steps) Barracks Johnnie (4 steps)</p> <p>Special Events: Solo Choreography - Intermediate and Premier Only <b>Entry Fee: \$25</b> Duets Choreography – Intermediate and Premier Only <b>Entry Fee: \$30</b> Group Choreography – Intermediate and Premier Only <b>Entry Fee: \$35</b></p> <p>Choreography Awards: Solo Choreography: 1<sup>st</sup> \$45; 2<sup>nd</sup> \$35; 3<sup>rd</sup> \$25; 4<sup>th</sup> \$20; 5<sup>th</sup> \$15; 6<sup>th</sup> \$10 Duets Choreography: 1<sup>st</sup> \$45; 2<sup>nd</sup> \$35, 3<sup>rd</sup>; \$25; 4<sup>th</sup> \$20, 5<sup>th</sup> \$15; 6<sup>th</sup> \$10 Group Choreography: 1<sup>st</sup> \$75 2<sup>nd</sup> \$65 3<sup>rd</sup> \$55</p>																																																	
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<p>Section E - Primary Class - (under 7 years) <b>Entry Fee: \$20</b> Pas de Bas, Pas de Bas &amp; Hi-Cuts, HF (4 steps), SD (2&amp;1)</p> <p>Section F. Restricted Premier – (Entry Fee: \$25) Age Sections to be determined based on the number of registered dancers. Medals will be awarded to 6 places based on the number of registered dancers. Trophy for aggregate winner. <b>(add verbiage for description of who can enter in this category)</b> HF (4 steps) SD (2&amp;1) ST (3 &amp; 1) S &amp; HR</p>																																											
<p><b>Special Awards:</b> Saturday: Most Promising Beginner; Most Promising Novice, Premier Dancer of the Day (Caithness Glass) awarded on aggregate points Sunday: Most Promising Intermediate; Most Successful Premier Dancer over 2 days (Marguerite Reid Memorial Trophy) awarded on aggregate points</p>	<p><b>Sunday Premier Awards</b></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td></td> <td align="center">1<sup>st</sup></td> <td align="center">2<sup>nd</sup></td> <td align="center">3<sup>rd</sup></td> <td align="center">4<sup>th</sup></td> <td align="center">5<sup>th</sup></td> <td align="center">6<sup>th</sup></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Group 1</td> <td>\$25</td> <td>\$20</td> <td>\$15</td> <td>\$10</td> <td>\$7</td> <td>\$5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Group 2</td> <td>\$25</td> <td>\$20</td> <td>\$15</td> <td>\$10</td> <td>\$7</td> <td>\$5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Group 3</td> <td>\$35</td> <td>\$25</td> <td>\$20</td> <td>\$15</td> <td>\$10</td> <td>\$7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Group 4</td> <td>\$40</td> <td>\$30</td> <td>\$25</td> <td>\$20</td> <td>\$15</td> <td>\$10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Group 5</td> <td>\$50</td> <td>\$40</td> <td>\$30</td> <td>\$20</td> <td>\$15</td> <td>\$10</td> </tr> </table> <p>Additional group (Group 6) may be added depending on the number of entries received.</p>		1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	Group 1	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$7	\$5	Group 2	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$7	\$5	Group 3	\$35	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$7	Group 4	\$40	\$30	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	Group 5	\$50	\$40	\$30	\$20	\$15	\$10
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<p><b>Perpetual Trophies for Championship – All perpetual trophies must be returned 4 weeks prior to 2025 Carolinas Open Championship. Parent or guardian must sign to receive perpetual trophy if dancer is under 18 years of age. Dancers 18 years and over must sign to receive perpetual trophy</b></p>																																											

RSOBHD rules will govern all events. Dancers **MUST** present their current 2025 registration card to compete. Dancers must be in appropriate costume to receive awards. A competitor must be ready when called to compete or the competitor may be disqualified. Please let the organizer know in advance if you are not going to dance in the Championship. In the event of a protest, a fee of \$25 must accompany the written complaint. This fee will be returned if the protest is upheld.

On Line Registration Only. On Line Entry Cut-Off Date is April 01, 2025  
No Field Entries will be taken  
Late entries pay double the entry fee. Contact Elaine Burgin for details!

To Register on-line please visit: [www.lochnorman.com](http://www.lochnorman.com)  
**Add EventBrite Registration Link**  
\*\*\*\*\*Please print/save your tickets on-line\*\*\*\*\*

*Parking Passes will be emailed to registered dancers. Please print and display in your vehicle.*



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<b>\$100 Premier Trophy Sponsor</b>	<b>In Honor of:</b> _____
<b>\$_____ Other as needed by the Committee</b>	<b>In Honor of:</b> _____

**Please print the name or company as you would like it to be acknowledged:**

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