

Cumann Buidhean Píobaire na hÉireann



Fingal Solo Championships 2018

The Fingal Solo Championships is a 'stand-alone' competition, however the results will form part of an Irish Pipe Band Association Solo League. The league will be determined by the aggregated scores of competitors.

The results of the league will be announced on 4th March in Newcastle West.

3rd February 2018 Fingal Solo Championships
(Saturday) National School
Start: 12.00am Lusk, Co Dublin

Competitors will play in their own grade and the Open Grade if so desired.
No 'playing – up' a grade.

Tenor & Bass Drummers will play in grades corresponding to their band grade.
Competitions will be held for the following grades: Grade 1/2, 3, 4A & 4B (5).

New Solo Piping & Snare Drumming Grading

- Grade 1 - Senior
- Grade 2 - Intermediate
- Grade 3 - Junior A
- Grade 4 - Junior B
- Grade 5 - Novice

As a phasing in of the new system, both nomenclatures should be retained for the upcoming season.

Entry To:

Fingal Solo Championships
Bettany Russell, 88 St Peter's Tce., Howth, Co Dublin
086-8236141
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On-Line entries and fees : www.ipbaleinsterbranch.org

- Entries by 5.00pm on the Monday prior to the contest.
- Late entries will attract a penalty of €5 added to the entry fee.

Music Syllabus 2018

Grade	Piping	Drumming
Practice Chanter / Pad	2pts. Quick March Tempo	2pts. Quick March Tempo
Practice Piping for Beginners <i>(no drones)</i>	2pts. Quick March Tempo	
Under 14	4pts. Quick March Tempo	4pts. Quick March Tempo
Under 16	4pt March	4pt March
Grade 5 (Novice)	4pts. Quick March Tempo	4pts. Quick March Tempo
Grade 3&4 (Junior A & B)	March, Strathspey & Reel	March, Strathspey & Reel
Grade 2 (Intermediate)	March, Strathspey & Reel	March, Strathspey & Reel
Grade 1 (Senior)	March, Strathspey & Reel <i>(2 sets to be submitted)</i>	March, Strathspey & Reel
Open	Slow Air, Hornpipe & Jig <i>(min. 10 parts)</i>	Hornpipe & Jig <i>(min. 8 parts)</i>
Bass & Tenor Drumming		
Grade 5/4b		4 Parts of Quick March (any time signature)
Grade 4a		March, Strathspey and Reel 1 x 4 Part or 2 x 2 Part of each time signature
Grades 3		March, Strathspey and Reel each tune to be at least 4 parts
Grade 2/1		3 – 5 minute Medley Selection
Piobaireachd		
Piobaireachd B	One Piobaireachd	
Piobaireachd A	Open Piobaireachd (Two Sets to be submitted.)	

General Rules Governing Solo Contests

General

- Under Age Competitors: Confined to competitors who have not attained the age, on the 1st of November, 2017.
- Grade 5 (Novice) is open to pipers and drummers who have not won at U 16 Solo level.
- A player competing in a competitive grade can only play in the assigned grade and the Open Grade – no playing up a grade.
- Pipers are allowed a 3 minute tuning slot prior to their performance.
- Uniform must be worn by all competitors at the presentation of prizes.
- It should be made clear in future that it is the responsibility of the player/competitor to ensure that there are in time to play.
- Only registered or 'bona fide' Bass Drummers should be allowed to compete in the Bass Drumming contest.

League Scoring

- The first six placed competitors will receive points in inverse to placing order i.e. 1st place = 6 points, 6th place = 1 point.
- If less than six players participate in a grade, the first placed competitors will receive points in inverse to placing order i.e. four competitors - 1st place = 4 points etc.
- At the end of the three rounds, scores will be accumulated and the player with the highest score in each grade will be deemed to have won the Solo League in that grade.
- If there is a tie, the winner will be determined by the player who has competed in the most events.

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Entry Form for Solo Contests

Contest: Fingal Solo Championships - 3rd February 2018 (provisional)
National School, Lusk, Co Dublin

Name	Band	Piping / Drumming Tenor / Bass Piobaireachd	Grade (s)
E mail		Phone	Fee

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Total fees due

Note: *copy this form as required.*