

BCHDA Winter Closed Competitions 2021-2022

We are thrilled with the prospect of a return to competition and are looking forward to seeing you all! To allow for maximum flexibility we will be running each closed competition as a separate event and will be announcing dances prior to each competition. Dancers who wish to do only one or two competitions instead of the whole season will have the option to do so.

The dates for each closed competition are:

- **Saturday October 23, 2021**
- **Saturday February 5, 2022**
- **Saturday March 5, 2022**

This event is being held in compliance with all Provincial health and safety orders, and facility requirements for Covid-19. It is open to BC dancers only.

Masks are mandatory. Dancers may remove their masks while competing. **Proof of vaccination required** for those 12 & Over.

On the day of the competition, if you or any household family member has symptoms, has been diagnosed as having Covid-19, has been required to quarantine or self-isolate within the previous 14 days, or has been out of the Country within the previous 14 days, please stay at home. Do not attend if you are feeling unwell, experiencing COVID-like symptoms, or if you have been asked by Public Health to self-isolate.

You may contact the Competition Secretary by email to advise of your situation: bchda.competitionsecretary@gmail.com

Our goal is to allow our dancers to compete in a safe, calm, inclusive and positive environment. We appreciate unexpected situations that may arise on the day that may require action that is meant to protect our dancers, judges, volunteers and other participants. Please be respectful of all requests or you will be escorted from the facility.

**BC Highland Dancing Association
Winter 2021-22 Competition #1**

Saturday Oct 23, 2021

Riverside Community Church

2329 Fremont Connector, Port Coquitlam, BC V3B 0M3

C-BC-CO 211005

Online entries open **Sunday September 19th** at 7pm PDT.

Entries close **Sunday October 17th**.

OCTOBER 23 2021 DANCES

PRIMARY	Pas des Bas	Pas des Bas & Highcuts	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)
BEGINNER	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Seann Truibhas (3&1)	Trophy Fling (4)
NOVICE	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Seann Truibhas (3&1)	Trophy Fling (4)
INTERMEDIATE	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Johnny (4)	Laddie (4)
PREMIER	Fling (4)	Sword (2&1)	Seann Truibhas (3&1)	Laddie (4)

Fees:

We will be waiving the venue admission fee for our Winter 2021-2022 competitions and providing each family with a program, available at the number pickup.

Register ONLINE <https://bchda.wildapricot.org/event-4489448>

BCHDA has an Annual Family Membership for our BCHDA Members, our Winter Competition Series and includes special rates for Workshops and other BCHDA Events. For non-members we have an additional daily fee for those wishing to compete in only one or two events.

BCHDA Members who compete in both the October and February Winter Competition Series will receive a discounted entry for the March Event.

BCHDA is a VOLUNTEER run organization. We require your help to run these events. BCHDA Members are required to volunteer 3 hours per dancer, or pay a \$75 fee in lieu of volunteering. For dance families with more than 2 dancers, volunteer hours are capped at 6 hours.

Our dance fees are held at 2019-2020 Rates.

BCHDA Annual Membership: \$50/year per family

Non Member Daily Fee: \$25/competition per dancer

Fee in lieu of volunteering: \$75

Primary dances	\$6.00/dance
Beginner, Novice, Intermediate dances	\$6.50/dance
Premier dances	\$7.50/dance
SDCCS fee	\$1.00/dancer
SDBC fee	\$1.00/dancer

Scotdance Cards

The Scotdance BC Registrar is currently processing all previously submitted registration forms, and new Scotdance cards valid for 2021/2022 will soon be distributed. If you have not received your Scotdance card before filling out the October entry form, please leave that field blank. This card will be required to be shown on the day of the event.

If you have not submitted registration for your ScotDance Card, please contact your dance teacher ASAP to ensure you have your card on the day of our event.

Rules for ScotDance Canada Sanctioned Competitions

Prior to entry:

- If you are feeling unwell, are experiencing COVID-like symptoms, or if you have been asked by Public Health to self-isolate, do not attend the competition.
- If crowd size capacity exceeds Health and Safety rules, only one parent/guardian is permitted in the facility with their dancer(s).
- Dancers are to arrive in costume prepared to dance, hair done and make-up applied. There will be no costume changes and no space provided for costume changes at this time.
- Please bring safety pins to affix numbers to dance costumes.
- No garment bags or personal foam mats will be allowed within the facility; please leave unnecessary items in your car.

As you enter/during the competition:

- To enter the facility, each person must:
 - Scan a QR code: note that you do not need to download anything ahead of time, but DO need to have a smartphone ready to scan the code before entry. This scan will take the attendee to a webpage to “sign in” and acts as a contact tracing measure.
 - Complete verbal declaration of good health and show your BC Vaccine Card.
- In compliance with the Provincial Government mandate, masks must be worn inside the facility. Please bring your own mask!
- Dancers may choose to remove their mask prior to going on stage; a bag will be provided for each dancer’s mask while they are dancing.
- Physical distancing is strongly encouraged at all times while within the facility.
- Washroom facilities will have limited occupancy depending on the number of cubicles while maintaining physical distancing requirements, which is a requirement of the facility. Please limit use as much as is possible.
- If crowd size capacity restrictions are in place, in order to facilitate the unique situation faced when organizing this event, dancers will be called to the marshalling (line-up) area in small groups almost immediately prior

to competing. Dancers who do not arrive when called may forfeit their opportunity to compete for that event.

Exiting the competition:

- Results will be announced following the completion of the morning and afternoon sections, and awards will be given out as competitors exit the facility.
- All competitors and their guardians are required to leave the facility once their awards are completed.
 - An exception is for a guardian who is volunteering; once their duties have been completed they must exit.
- **If you test positive for Covid following the event, you must contact the Competition Secretary.**

Competition Rules and Regulations:

1. All dancing events are governed by the rules and regulations of the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing (RSOBHD) and ScotDance Canada.
2. This event may be cancelled at any time up to, and including on or during the date of competition, dependent upon public health concerns.
3. The decision of the judge(s) is final.
4. Protests must be made in writing, signed and submitted to the Organiser by the end of the competition day and must be accompanied by a \$35.00 fee, refundable, if sustained.
5. Dancers will compete in inverse order of entry. First to enter is last to dance. Online entries open on Sunday September 19th at 7pm PDT. Entries close October 17.
6. Entry fee must accompany entry.
7. Any refund requests MUST be submitted to the BCHDA executive and meet the requirements outlined in the BCHDA Refund Policy. Where admittance to the event is refused based upon good health declaration, fees will be refunded (except an administration fee of \$5.00 per family).
8. All classes to be split at close of entry. Age is determined as the day of competition.
9. BCHDA reserves the right to combine or split classes. Category changes submitted to bchda.competitionsecretary@gmail.com prior to the day.

10. All competitors must present their current RSOBHD registration card prior to receiving awards. Admin fee collected for forgotten cards.
11. Competitors must be on hand when their event is called or forfeit entry in that dance.
12. All competitors must remain in costume for award presentations.
13. There will be no costume changes, dancers must arrive at the facility prepared to compete.
14. All groups will receive medals except premier classes, who will receive cash awards. An aggregate trophy will be awarded in each class, except Primary, as long as there are at least three (3) dancers in the age group.
15. Premier Dancers: PLEASE NOTE you must be a BCHDA Member and register to dance at all of our Winter 2021-22 Events (Oct, Feb & Mar). You must dance at 2 of these competitions to be eligible for Rep travel funds.
16. Dancers must be dressed appropriately at all times.
17. Dancers and parents must respect the ScotDance Canada Risk Management Guidelines, local health authority directives, and RSOBHD Code of Ethics.

Waivers

- SDC Waiver
- SDC Covid-19 Waiver
- SDC Volunteer Child and Youth Abuse Prevention Program Acknowledgement