

**2025 New Brunswick Closed Provincial  
Championship & Pre-Premier Highland Dance  
Competition**

**Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**RSOBHD# C-NB-CO25-1004**

Venue:

Centre Communautaire Sainte-Anne  
715 Priestman Street, Fredericton, NB, E3B5W7  
*Free parking available*

Admission: \$5.00 Children 12 and under \$2.00



**Judges:**

**Nadiene Gibney-Amaral, Ontario  
Dana Gamache, Ontario  
Denise MacDonald, Ontario**

**Host Hotel:** Quality Inn & Suites Amsterdam, 559 Bishop Drive, Fredericton, NB, E3C2M6

Booking : [Click here](#) or call hotel direct 506-474-5050. Group name: ScotDance NB.

Rate: \$149/night

*Deadline to book at this rate: April 9th, 2025*

**ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY – REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 AT 12PM ADT AND CLOSSES APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup> 2025 AT MIDNIGHT ADT.**

Competition Registration Form: <https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/new-brunswick-closed-provincial-championships-2025-and-scotdance-new-brunswick-pre-premier-highland-dance-competition--2025>

This event is being held in compliance with all provincial health and safety orders in effect at the time of the entry being posted, as well as facility requirements for protection from communicable diseases.

**Please carefully read the rules for attending ScotDance Canada Sanctioned Competitions and liability waivers which can be found on the online entry form.**

Category	Dances				
<b>Demonstration (free)</b>	16 PDBs	PDBs & HCs	Fling (4)		
<b>Primary</b>	16 PDBs	PDBs & HCs	Fling (4)	Sword (2+1)	
<b>Beginner/Novice/ Intermediate</b>	Trophy Fling (4)	Fling (4)	Sword (2+1)	Seann Triubhas (3+1)	Flora (4)
All Premier dances must be danced with the 2025 RSOBHD Championship Steps					
<b>Premier</b> 7 & under 10 years 10 & under 12 years	Fling (4)	Sword (2+1)	Seann Triubhas (3+1)	Strathspey & Highland Reel (2+2)	
<b>Premier</b> 12 & under 14 years 14 & under 16 years 16 & under 18 years 18 & under 21 years 21 years & over	Fling (6)	Sword (2+2)	Seann Triubhas (4+2)	Strathspey & Highland Reel (2+2)	

**DANCE TEACHERS PLEASE NOTE:** We are pleased to offer a demonstration opportunity to dancers ages three and over, who do not yet compete to perform.

#### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

**Doors open at 8:15AM.**

**Premier Registration 8:20AM.**

Dancing starts at **8:45AM** with the Highland Fling for the youngest age group.

**Awards presentation** and announcement of the 2025 Provincial Representatives will follow the morning dancing.

**NB Team Photo:** An NB team photo will be taken following the awards to include the top three in each age group. Reps will then attend an information meeting for SDCCS 2025. Alternates are not required for the team photo but are required to attend the rep meeting

**Rep meeting:** mandatory. To follow the team photo, and will take place in the lobby.

**ScotDance New Brunswick scholarship presentation** is tentatively scheduled for **12PM.**

**Demonstration Event, Primary, Beginner, Novice and Intermediate**

Registration at **12:30PM.**

Dancing starts at **1PM** with the Demonstration Event Pas de Basques, Pas de Basques and Highcuts and Highland Fling.

This event to be followed by competitive events, starting with the Trophy Fling.

The schedule is subject to change based on registration numbers. Any schedule changes will be communicated to you via email.

#### FEES

##### COMPETITION FEES

(All fees include \$1.00 SDNB SDCCS and \$5.00 SDNB surcharge)

Primary A- \$26.00 (2 dances or less)

Primary B - \$50.00 (more than 2 dances)

Beginner, Novice, Intermediate - \$50.00

Trophy Fling Registration - \$10.00

Premier Championship - \$65

Entries must be received by **APRIL 15<sup>TH</sup> MIDNIGHT ADT.** Late entries for Pre-Premier may be accepted with a \$10 late fee charged. There will be no late entries accepted for the Provincial Championships. No refunds. To verify entry and for category changes, please email [sdnbpresident@gmail.com](mailto:sdnbpresident@gmail.com).

**Pre-Premier: Competition age as of MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2025.** Age categories will be determined by number of entries. Special events do not count towards high aggregate awards. Awards will be withheld without a current RSOBHD dancer registration card and a penalty charged to cover postage.

**Premier: Competition age as of JULY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2025.**

**Prizes:** Medals and trophies will be awarded in all categories except Special Events. Trophies will be awarded in all categories except Primary and special events.

**Judging:** Dancers will be judged according to the techniques of the RSOBHD. Judge's decision shall be final. There will be no access to the judge's score sheets. In the event of a protest, a \$35.00 non-refundable fee must accompany a written complaint and be submitted to the organizers the same day as the competition.

ScotDance New Brunswick will not be responsible for any injuries, accidents or lost articles to competitors or spectators.

### **Demonstration Event**

We are happy to announce that ScotDance New Brunswick will host a demonstration event in conjunction with the Provincial Championships & Pre-Premier Competition.

This is open to any new dancers ages three and up that are not competing but would like to participate. The dances will be performed on stage, in front of the judge but will not be adjudicated. Dancers will receive a participation ribbon – there will not be awards. This is a wonderful opportunity to introduce young dancers to competitive Highland dancing. It is also an opportunity for parents and dancers to 'learn the ropes' without the pressure of competition.

Dancers can register for the individual dances that they know - 16 Pas de Basques, Pas de Basques and Highcuts, and the Highland Fling.

Dancers can perform in a white shirt/blouse, white knee socks, ghillies and a kiltie. Your dance teacher should be able to help with costuming.

We would like dancers to be at the venue for 12:30PM registration, with dancing at 1PM. We will have them perform as the first event of the afternoon. **Please complete the online form to register your dancer for this event – there is no fee.**

### **PRE-PREMIER 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. Dancers will compete in inverse order of entry. First to enter is last to dance.
5. Age is as of 12.01am on competition date.
6. Entry fee must accompany entry.
7. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizer.
8. There are no refunds.
9. Dancers must be registered with the RSOBHD or RSOBHD subsidiary body (such as ScotDance Canada) in order to compete. All competitors must present current RSOBHD registration card prior to receiving awards. In the event a competitor cannot present their RSOBHD registration card, there will be a \$10 fee, and awards will be withheld until proof of registration can be provided. Subsequent mailing of awards to the competitor will be done at the cost of the competitor.
10. 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.
11. The Organiser reserves the right to combine or split classes.
12. No category changes will be accepted on the day of competition. All category changes must be emailed to [sdnbpresident@gmail.com](mailto:sdnbpresident@gmail.com) no later than April 29th, 2025.
13. Competitors must be on hand when their event is called or forfeit entry in that dance.

14. All competitors must remain in costume for award presentations.
15. Dancers must be dressed appropriately at all times.
16. Dancers and parents must respect the ScotDance Canada Risk Management Guidelines, local, Provincial and Federal health authority directives, and RSOBHD Code of Ethics.
17. All dancers who compete and are placed will receive medals. Overall awards will be presented in all categories except Primary who will receive medals only.

### **CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP RULES and REGULATIONS**

1. The 2025 New Brunswick Closed Provincial Championship is sanctioned and governed by the rules & regulations of the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing and ScotDance Canada. All dancers must show a current RSOBHD Dancer Registration card to register. In the event a competitor cannot present their RSOBHD registration card, there will be a \$10 fee, and awards will be withheld until proof of registration can be provided. Subsequent mailing of awards to the competitor will be done at the cost of the competitor.
2. AGE: Age is to be taken as of July 1 for determining the age classification in which dancers would enter the Canadian Championship. Thus, in preliminary championships or competitions used to select provincial representatives, dancers would compete according to their age on July 1 of that year.
3. ELIGIBILITY: For eligibility to compete in the Canadian Championship, a dancer must qualify in a Closed Provincial Championship or Selection Competition. The competitor must qualify by residency first, having been a resident for six (6) months immediately prior to the event. Should a competitor not qualify first by the residency requirement, that competitor may enact the birth qualification in the province they were born. Residency will be determined by the residence of the dancer's legal guardian. If a dancer moves to a new province, that dancer retains residency in the previous province for the purpose of determining eligibility first by residency, until 6 months residency takes place in the new province.

#### **RESIDENCY DEFINITION:**

Dancers moving to another province and remaining in that province for 6 consecutive months immediately prior to that province's selection meet would qualify by residency to compete in that province's selection meet. If a dancer moves back to the province they previously resided in and remain there immediately prior to that province's selection meet, that dancer would qualify by residency to compete in that province's provincial selection meet, provided they previously resided in that province for 6 consecutive months. In the case of multiple moves, whichever province the dancer had previously resided in for 6 consecutive months prior to moving from that province, would be the province where that dancer would qualify by residency to compete in that province's selection meet.

#### **SUBSTITUTION OF A PROVINCIAL TEAM MEMBER:**

Substitution of a provincial team member is allowed up to 5:00 PM local time of the SDCCS hosts, the day prior to the Canadian Championship. If available, both dancers would be able to participate in the parade of champions. All issues with regards to this substitution are the responsibility of the Provincial Affiliate (refer to the ScotDance Canada Operations Manual - Rules Governing the Canadian Championships document, Section 6).

4. All dancers must dance the 2025 RSOBHD Championship steps. Classes are to be run as Championships and not amalgamated or split, regardless of the number of entrants. This event is a heat with the successful finalists competing for the Canadian Championship.

## **COVID-19 PROTOCOLS**

This event is being held in compliance with all provincial health and safety orders in effect at the time of the entry being posted, as well as facility requirements for Covid-19. Our goal is to provide a safe, calm, inclusive and positive environment for all participants. We appreciate unexpected situations could arise on the day that may require action that is meant to protect our dancers, judges, volunteers and other participants.

1. Public Health requirements will be continuously evaluated, and participants will be informed of any Covid-19 protocols prior to the event through social media and email.
2. For all participants attending our sanctioned events, generally, there will be 4 guidelines we encourage participants to follow in the absence of any local, provincial or national government health orders
  - wearing a mask for your own protection and of others
  - maintain physical distancing wherever possible
  - sanitizing hands often
  - staying home if you feel sick
3. Upon registering for this event and immediately prior to the event, you agree to the requirements and recommendations of any National, Provincial and local Public health and other governmental authorities as well as any requirements from the Centre Communautaire Sainte-Anne which may be in effect at the time of the event, as it pertains to the Covid-19 Coronavirus and to adopt all necessary measures to those effects.
4. Participants are required to agree to the SDC COVID-19 Other Contagions General Assumption of Risk and Waiver of Liability at the time of registration.