

## The Tartan Tribune March, 2022

Well HELLO 2022! New Year, New goals, New things to look forward to!

Our first Tartan Tribune of 2022 is a slim volume, but we hope you enjoy our brand new monthly "Did You Know?" feature with useful information for Highland Dance families and friends. This issue has a little math lesson for you (but don't worry, it's easy!)

## Events



## Provincials Are Back



This is by no means an exhaustive list of events. Ask your teaching professional about entries, other details, and other events. (Also, watch for changes to any events due to Covid restrictions.) It is useful as well to follow Scotdance New Brunswick, Scotdance Nova Scotia and Scotdance Canada on Facebook for updates!

March 12, 2022: FHDA Dance Competition, Fredericton
April 9, 2022: Kate Gaddess Memorial Competition, Fredericton
May 14, 2022: NB Closed Championship and Competition (Provincials) Fredericton
June 17-19, 2022: Moncton Highland Games, Moncton
July 6-10, 2022 : SDCCS Canadian Championships and related events, Regina, Saskatchewan
July 21-24, 2022 : NB Highland Games featuring Atlantic Championship and Maritime Premiership,
Fredericton
August 25-27, 2022 : Cowal Highland Gathering featuring the World Highland Dance Championships, Dunoon, Scotland

## Calculating High Aggregate at Competitions

Time for a math lesson, Highland Dance style! Have you ever been at a competition and been surprised by the High Aggregate for a class? Have you ever wondered just exactly how it all adds up? Wonder no more!

Each placing, 1st through 6th, in each dance, has a point value. The dancer with the highest total dance points from all dances added together is 1st Overall, aka High Aggregate.

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\text { First }=137 \\
\text { Second }=91 \\
\text { Third }=71 \\
\text { Fourth }=53 \\
\text { Fifth }=37 \\
\text { Sixth }=23
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Here is a real example using actual results from a competition in Fredericton a few years ago. This was from a young Premier class with several very good dancers. The group had 13 dancers compete, numbered 599-611. So, what number won High Aggregate?

Premier 11 and Under

Fling: 611, 603, 610, 605, 609, 602
Sword: 602, 603, 611, 610, 601, 609
Seann T: 602, 611, 605, 610, 603, 601
Reel: 610, 603, 605, 599, 609, 608

Dancer 611: 1st in Fling, 3rd in Sword, 2nd in Seann Triubhas, No Placing in Reel $137+71+91=299$
Dancer 603: 2nd in Fling, 2nd in Sword, 5th in Seann Triubhas, 2nd in Reel $91+91+37+91=310$
Dancer 602: 6th in Fling, 1st in Sword, 1st in Seann Triubhas, No Placing in Reel $23+137+137=297$
Dancer 610: 3rd in Fling, 4th in Sword, 4th in Seann Triubhas, 1st in Reel
$71+53+53+137=314$
So, 610 won High Aggregate but that was close! I guarantee a lot of people were sitting in the audience not knowing who it would be. But that's how it all adds up. *Something else to note is that if there is a special event that you pay a separate fee to enter, for example, a Teddy Bear Fling, that dance is not included in the High Aggregate calculation as it is a separate entity.

## Congratulations



Kate Francoeur

Our two Scotdance New Brunswick Scholarship winners are Sophie Bowles for Pre-Premier and Kate
Francoeur for Premier. The Scholarship presentations will be made at the FHDA
Competition in Fredericton on March 12.

