

## **2019 SCD Results**

### **Dumfries and District Music Festival Association 91st Annual Festival 2019**

The Scottish Country Dance Festival was opened by Jayne Riddet, Chairperson of Perform in Dumfries who welcomed the audience and the dancers.

33 Teams of Scottish country dancers took part in the dance festival at Dumfries Academy last weekend. With dancers from Cargenbridge, Noblehill and Wallacehall primary schools, and groups; Dumfries Dance Scottish Group, Northesk Scottish Dancers, RSCDS Dumfries all took part. Jigs, Reels, Strathspey's, Square Set dances, Ceilidh dances and specially choreographed demonstration dances were performed throughout the day to a full audience in Dumfries Academy. Our youngest dancer on the day was just 3 years of age.

The official accompanist for the day was George Meikle, Dumfries. George, is an accomplished musician who provided a superb choice of tunes throughout the day as well as keeping the spectators feet tapping adding to the enjoyment. The adjudicator, Angela Young from Aberdeen, gave encouraging and constructive comments to the dancers as well as showing her dancing expertise to the eager dancers to help them develop their dancing technique and style. Angela was very pleased to see so many taking part and was delighted to award the Margaret Wilkie Quaich to the children from Cargenbridge Primary for showing the best social spirit and enjoyment in their dancing. She also congratulated their teachers and helpers who helped to make this happen. Dumfries RSCDS received the Demonstration Trophy along with reward certificates for their choreographed display of St Andrew's Fair, Brig O' Doon and The Countess of Dunmore's Reel.

Again this year, Active Schools, Dumfries and Galloway Council gave local school children the opportunity of participating in the non-competitive section under the Jigs and Reels programme giving the young dancers a platform to display their newly learned dances. Some of the children participating in the Festival for the very first time.

Jayne Riddet, Chairperson and Scottish Country Dance co-ordinator said "that the day was a great success and extended thanks to all of the volunteers, the audience for their support and the members from Dumfries RSCDS who helped to make this happen.

This weekend we look forward to the Music Festival starting on Friday evening and running through until Sunday lunchtime and finally the Accordion and Fiddle Section takes place on Saturday 30 March followed by our closing event a Festival Celebration Ceilidh in the evening in Dumfries Academy when some of our young Festival Winners will be performing

### **Class 127A Non-competitive Jigs and Reels Section**

Open to primary schools, participating in the Coach Education/CPD Programme for Scottish Country Dancing  
One dance selected from the First Level Dances' section of the RSCDS Dance Scottish Jigs and Reels Resource Pack

Two teams of dancers from Cargenbridge Primary School danced Jig to the Music and the adjudicator commented on how well they handled the dance in such a large floor area and gave the children some hints and tips to improve their dancing skills.

**Class 100A** Groups of children 16 yrs and under  
Open to schools, clubs, uniformed organisations and dance groups, which may be combined

Test Piece: Sir JM Barrie of Thrums ® 4 x 48 bars by R Sargent  
(to be danced 4 times through)

### **The Peter Pan Cup**

**Winner: Wallacehall Primary [B]**

**Class 107** Groups of children P1-4  
Schools with more than 4 teachers

Test Piece: The Highland Fair

### **The Miss Johnstone Trophy**

**Winner: Noblehill [N]                      Distinction**

**Class 114** Clubs 16 yrs and under  
Test Piece: Airyhall Delight

### **RSCDS Challenge Cup**

**Winner : Northesk Dancers**

**Class 110** Groups of children P7 & under, Open to all schools

Test Piece: Espie McNabb

### **Noblehill PTA Trophy**

**Winner: Noblehill Primary**

**Class 116** 18 years & under Open  
Any combination  
2 couples dance Reel/Jig 4 times  
other 2 couples dance Strathspey 4 times

### **The Jean Milligan Trophy**

**Winner**        **Northesk Junior Dancers**

### **Non-Competitive**

**Class 101** Groups of children 12 yrs and under Own Choice of 32 Bar  
Reel or Jig

The adjudicator was most impressed by the Northesk Dancers for their performance of A Jig for Mrs Dunn commenting on the excellent team work demonstrated by the older dancers in the group helping the younger dancers just aged 3 and 4 years old through the dance.

### **Class 126**

#### **Non-competitive Ceilidh Section**

Test Piece: The Dashing White Sergeant

Again, the adjudicator congratulated all those taking part in this section and reminded the children of the great opportunity in dancing one of the most popular traditional dances of Scotland. The audience were then invited on to the floor and showed great enthusiasm and enjoyment while dancing along with the children

Class 127 Non-competitive Ceilidh Section  
Friends and Families

The Virginia Reel

Once again the adjudicator commented on the social aspect of this dance and was most impressed by one complete family set comprising of 4 sisters, 2 cousins and 2 grandparents.

**Class 117** 16 yrs and under

Test Piece: Foursome Reel

### **Thistle SCD Club Trophy (Silver Plate)**

**Winner :**        **Northesk Dancers**

**Class 120** Open

Test Piece: Foursome Reel

**Strathellen Cup**

**Winner: Northesk Dancers**

**Class 102** Groups of children 16 yrs and under Own Choice of Square Set  
Dance Reel/Jig.Strathspey or Medley

**The Lochvale Quaich**

**Joint Winners Noblehil Primary/ Northesk Dancers**

**Class 125** OPEN

Test Piece: The Shepherd's Crook

**Caledonian Salver**

**Winner: Northesk Dancers**

**Class 108** Groups of children P7 & under, schools with more than 4  
teachers

Test Piece: The Maids of Currie

**St John's Challenge Shield**

**Winner: Noblehill Primary**

**Class 123** Mixed – Open (Any combination)  
(2 couples dance reel/jig 4 times  
other 2 couples dance Strathspey 4 times  
Own choice

**Jean McIntosh Cup**

**Winner: Northesk Dancers**

**Class 124** Open - Own Choice  
Combination of own choice of RSCDS dances/publications  
showing Reel, Jig and Strathspey; to be danced continuously.  
Not to exceed 6 minutes

**Open – Demonstration Trophy**  
**Winner: RSCDS Dumfries**

**The Margaret Wilkie Quaich for the team showing the best social spirit  
and enjoyment.**

**Winner: Cargenbridge Primary**

**Congratulations to all and thank you for your participation and support.**