



Irish Club of Regina - Executive 2018-19

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* Shannon Hunt

** Ruby Hunter

** Katrina Hognerud

* Vacant

* Term ends at 2019 AGM

** Term ends at 2020 AGM

About us:

The Irish Club of Regina is a non-profit organization that is dedicated to promoting and supporting Irish culture within Regina and area. We currently support an Irish Dance group, a Gaelic Athletic Association football team, send out a quarterly newsletter, maintain a website, host a Mosaic Pavilion and organize or support other events, workshops and activities. To become a member, please contact us! Membership rates are \$15 for a single membership and \$20 for a family membership. Membership entitles you to receive our newsletter, emails about upcoming events and allows you to take part in our events.

Why become a member of the Irish Club of Regina?

If you enjoy Irish culture in any of its many forms, the Irish Club is the place to find it. Music, dance, literature, ceilis, sport, cooking and traditional Irish handwork are all workshops that we hope to be able to offer. We need interested active members in order to provide these events.



Memberships



IRISH CLUB OF REGINA

It's that time again!! Time to send in your annual membership to the Irish Club of Regina. Please support the Irish Club as we strive to keep Irish culture alive in the city. Please renew and encourage other friends and family to join.

The membership fees you are required to pay as a member in good standing go towards various administration costs ie. website, event insurance and miscellaneous fees which may include room rental for AGM. They also help towards hosting events such as the Annual Family Barbecue, Pub Quiz Nights, Christmas party, etc. With your support, the Irish Club of Regina Executive are looking forward to providing more events and occasions to celebrate our Irish Culture in the year to come.

The cost has not changed - **\$20 for a family membership** and **\$15 for a single person**. Those with lifetime memberships do not need to respond .

An email was sent out August 11th with a pdf attachment membership form. Please save it, print it off, fill out and return with your payment.

If you choose the e-transfer option, we would still ask that you fill in the form and mail to the address below or scan and email to the club email: irishclubofregina@gmail.com so that we have the correct family members names and your contact information for our database.

If you prefer to pay by cheque or cash, please forward to:

I.C.R.
59 Irvin Crescent
Regina, Sask.
S4R 5L3.





(PLEASE PRINT)

NAME(S):

ADDRESS: (Apartment/Street #).....

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(City/Town)

(Province)

(Postal Code)

(Telephone Home) (____) ____-_____

(Telephone Cell) (____) ____-_____

E-Mail

TYPE OF MEMBERSHIP SOUGHT:

Single (annual dues \$15.00)

Family (annual dues \$20.00)

ENCLOSED:

CHEQUE (*please make payable to 'Irish Club of Regina'*)

E-TRANSFER TO irishclubofregina@gmail.com

CASH

TOTAL \$.....

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

Please return to ICR by mail to:
Irish Club of Regina
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59 Irvin Crescent
Regina, Sask. S4R 5L3.



Past Events

ICR Annual Family BBQ

We had the BBQ on Sunday June 2nd at the Seniors Center on Elphinstone St. with about 35 people attending.

Thanks to those who helped with set up & clean up, slaved over a hot BBQ cooking burgers and hot dogs and to all who brought the delicious pot luck items of salads and desserts.



Food and drinks cost \$178.22
Rent \$102.25 for a total cost of \$280.47



Quiz Night

The date for the Quiz night was planned for **Thursday, May 23rd**. Very disappointing turn out and only ended up being about 5 people (a couple not even members) Probably won't plan another unless more response or request for same



Upcoming Events

Annual General Meeting

Will be scheduled for November. Date, time and place will be shared in an email this fall.

Please consider attending! We need the support and input from the membership regarding upcoming events, Mosaic 2020, and positions on Executive.

Positions up for election this year are:

President, Secretary, Member at large - One or two positions.

Stay Tuned!

Prairie Gael School of Irish Dance

Happy summer and almost fall!

Since the last newsletter we have had our annual recital and wind up bbq - both events were packed with music, fun, and good times!

We are thrilled to again celebrate our two most improved dancers:

Keira McIlmoyl (Performance)

Mariel Boucher (Competitive)



A number of our dancers placed very well in the Western Canadian Open Feis in June and we are proud of the results earned by their hard work throughout the year!

We are thrilled to announce that Kailey won her second Preliminary Championship trophy, qualifying for Nationals in Nashville Tennessee in June 2020 - CONGRATS KAILEY!

A special congratulations also goes to Sam on winning her second Treble Jig trophy and advancing to Preliminary Championships - well done, we are proud of you!!

At Prairie Gael, be it at performances or workshops, we have continued to dance our way through the hot Saskatchewan heat!! Our fabulous dancers represented our Irish culture splendidly at the World Partnership Walk, Motif Festival in Moose Jaw, and the National Dragon Boat Championship.

We've also been keeping in shape throughout the summer with intensive workshop weekends and classes to help us prepare for grade exams and the first feis of the season in mid-September!

Thanks,
Emily

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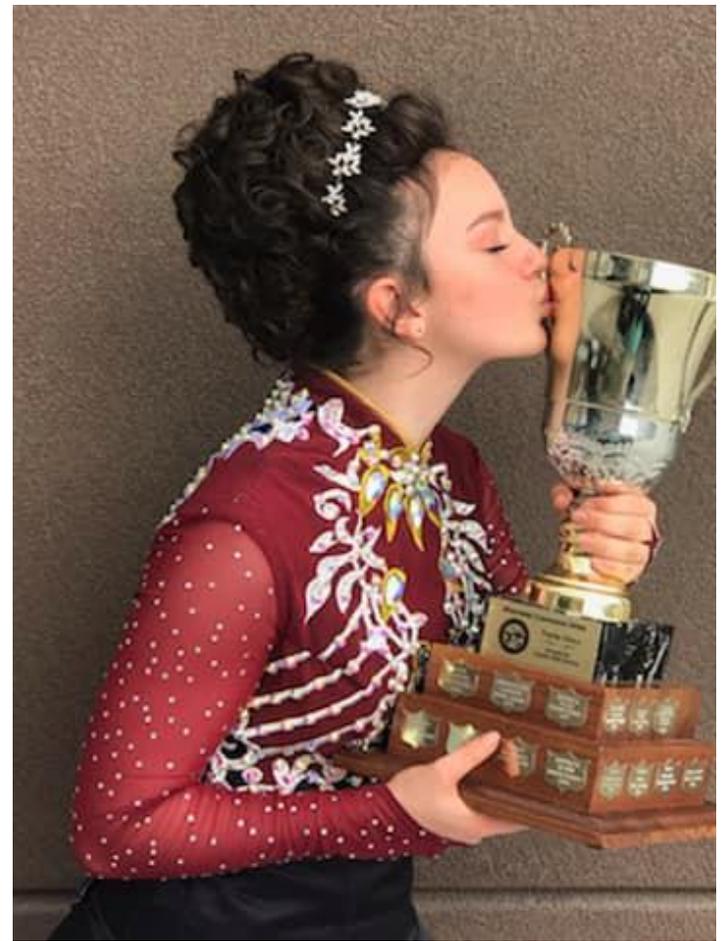
Fall classes begin Tuesday September 3rd,
following the long weekend.

Our fall schedule is available at www.prairiegaeldance.com and
we still have some room in a few of our beginner classes.

If you or someone you know is interested in trying Irish dance,
come visit us the first week of classes and try it out for FREE!



These talented gals thoroughly entertained the crowd through 30 degree heat at Motif



Congratulations to progressing into Preliminary Championships Sam!



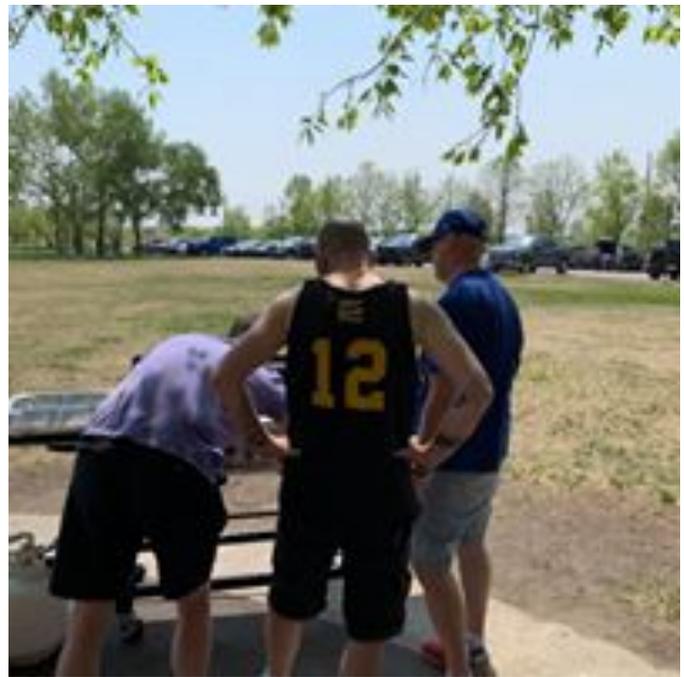
Maybe not a wise decision to trash talk your teachers ...?... Though the girls won ...



Another fabulous afternoon performance at the World Partnership Walk!



These fabulous ladies wowed the audience at the 2019 Dragon Boat Championships!



How many dance dads does it take to start a BBQ? .. All joking aside - Thank you so much for your help!!!



Prairie Gael School of Irish Dance



Relaxing and enjoying the sun and music at the windup!



A fabulous Irish Dance inspired, DELICIOUS Cake made by one of our dancers for the BBQ - it didn't last long !



**Congratulations on progressing into
Open Championships Kailey! -
Nashville here you come!!**



**Our most improved dancer,
competitive stream:
Well done Mariel !!**



**A few of our wonderful dancers waiting for results at the
Western Canadian Open in June.**



**Our most improved dancer,
Performance stream: Well done
Keira!!**

Blakey School of Irish Dance

The Blakey team had a special visitor to their classes on the June 1st weekend. Mackenzie Mahler from our sister school, Blakey O'Brien Calgary, came to visit. Mackenzie is the first Western Canadian female dancer to win the CLRG World Irish Dance Championships. Our dancers were thrilled to have such an accomplished dancer share her experiences with them and gained valuable knowledge from this world champion.



Our 2nd annual Blakey Regina Recital was held at Campbell Collegiate on June 1st and hosted by our parents group, the Regina Irish Dance Parents Association (RIDPA). The recital was a success again this year with all our dancers performing for family and friends. The Blakey Regina Spirit Awards were also handed out at the recital with Farah Miller receiving the Junior Spirit Award and Megan Beach receiving the Senior Spirit Award.

Even though there was no Irish Pavilion this year our dancers were guest performers at the Scottish Pavilion on Saturday June 1st at the International Trade Centre. This was also the 1st Blakey performance for 3 of our adult dancers and they were well received by the audience.

Our dancers traveled to the Calgary Western Canadian Open held at the Western Calgary Airport June 8 and 9. Our dancers received several medals and podium places with special note to the following: Alyssa Woolsey for placing 1st in her Preliminary on both days qualifying her to move into U11 Open Championships and Ayva Purdue for placing 1st in her U10 Novice/Prizewinner Treble Reel – halfway to Prelim.

The Blakey Regina group had the most dancers attending the 2019 North American Irish Dance Championships since Blakey Regina opened in 2013. This year was very special for these dancers as the North American National Championships was held on Canadian soil from July 1 – 5 in Vancouver, BC. The Regina dancers who attended were: Megan Beach, Aobha MacLoone, Sierra Davis-Fiacco, Rakya Subramanian & Alyssa Woolsey. Laura Schaan, who is originally from Regina, also attended. With most of our dancers being first or second time competitors, we did not see a recall for a third round from any of our Saskatchewan dancers, but our dancers danced well and made us proud.

Our dancers made their debut performance at the 44th Motif Multicultural Festival in Moose Jaw on July 13th. Even though it was a very hot day and a small number of dancers were able to attend (including 3 adult dancers) the performance went very well. We hope to attend again in the future!

The dancers will have several opportunities this summer to attend workshops throughout Western Canada to prepare for the first competition of the dance season, the River City Feis which will be held in Saskatoon on September 21 & 22. There will be a workshop this year in Regina from August 27 – 29. As well dancers will have the opportunity to attend workshops with our sister schools in Kelowna, Saskatoon and Calgary.

Blakey School of Irish Dance (cont'd)

We would like to welcome Amy Hepting as our new resident instructor who will work alongside our TCRG Luanne Schlosser to coach classes this dance season. This year classes are being offered during the weekdays: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Would you like to share your passion for Irish Dance? Blakey offers both competitive and non-competitive dance classes from beginner to adult. Have you personally always wanted to give it a try? Now is your chance as our adult classes now offer two levels. We are now accepting registrations for the 2019-2020 dance season and **classes start back up on September 9th.**

For more information about our classes or to book a free trial
Contact us via email: RIDPA contact@ridpa.ca
Luanne Schlosser, TCRG: luanne@blakeyschool.com

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Adult Dancers

**Western Canadian
Open**

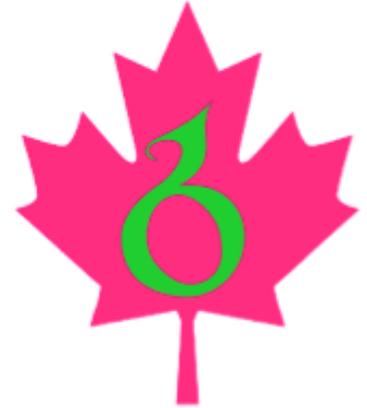




Blakey School of Irish Dance (Cont'd)



North American Irish Dance
Championships
**BLAKEY SCHOOL
OF IRISH DANCE**





THE BLAKEY SCHOOL OF IRISH DANCE PRESENTS:
**PUT YOUR BEST
FOOT FORWARD**

Regina Irish Set Dancers

After taking the summer off from dance classes, we are looking forward to starting up again on Thursday, September 26th. We will continue every Thursday evening from 7:30 - 9:00 pm at the Westminster Church on 13th and Cameron. We will be using the multipurpose room in the Basement.

We would love for others to join our group!! The rent for the room available was a bit higher so we have increased our fee to \$10.00 for a drop-in class with an option for a free one once in a while.

If you want to see what Irish set dancing is all about, just drop in and join us. (we will let you have the first one for FREE) Great exercise and lots of fun for any age and level of dancing ability.

Respectfully submitted by Laura Popoff

Contact Laura Popoff @ lpopoff@sasktel.net
or call (306) 533-5091
or visit our facebook page to see a few videos of us dancing
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/192728960882181/>



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www.facebook.com/Irishclubofregina

If you have an interesting bit that you would like included in the newsletter, send submissions to:
lpopoff@sasktel.net

Other links and interesting facebook groups and websites:



- * Irish in Regina
- * Irish Club of Regina Dancers
- * Regina Gaels GAA football league
- * Regina Irish Set dancers
- * Prairie Gael School of Irish Dance
- * Blakey Irish Dance
- * Bushwakker Brewing Company
- * Shannons Pub and Grill

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