

Competition results from the Highland Dancing Association of Waipu's competition held in Conjunction with the 153rd Waipu Highland Games on 31st December 2025. This competition marked the 23rd Anniversary of the first Royal Scottish Official Board Competition held in New Zealand. The Adjudicator was Suzanne Burgoyne from Auckland.

Primary Section

16 Pas de Basque			Pas de Basque & High Cuts			
1 st	Audrey English Alexander, Whangarei		1 st	Audrey English Alexander, Whangarei		
2 nd	Addison Orr, Whangarei		2 nd	Addison Orr, Whangarei		
3 rd	Rowan Gilmour, New Plymouth		3 rd	Rowan Gilmour, New Plymouth		
Highland Fling			Highland Fling			
1 st	Audrey English Alexander, Whangarei		Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth		Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth	

Beginners Section

Special Highland Fling			Highland Fling		
1 st	Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth		1 st	Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth	
2 nd	Meghan Field, Waipu		2 nd	Meghan Field, Waipu	
3 rd	Alicia Williams, Waipu		3 rd	Alicia Williams, Waipu	
4 th	Annabelle Orr, Whangarei		4 th	Annabelle Orr, Whangarei	
5 th	Alexis Orr, Whangarei		5 th	Alexis Orr, Whangarei	
Sword Dance			Scottish Lilt		
1 st	Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth		1 st	Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth	
2 nd	Meghan Field, Waipu		2 nd	Meghan Field, Waipu	
3 rd	Alicia Williams, Waipu		3 rd	Alicia Williams, Waipu	
4 th	Alexis Orr, Whangarei		4 th	Alexis Orr, Whangarei	
5 th	Annabelle Orr, Whangarei				
Flora MacDonald's Fancy			Seann Triubhas		
1 st	Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth		1 st	Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth	
2 nd	Meghan Field, Waipu		2 nd	Meghan Field, Waipu	
3 rd	Alexis Orr, Whangarei		3 rd	Alicia Williams, Waipu	
4 th	Alicia Williams, Waipu				

Pat & Doreen Memorial Cup – Winner of Special Highland Fling – Trixie Hopper
Most Points – McKay Family Cup – Trixie Hopper, New Plymouth
Runner Up – Meghan Field, Waipu
Local Competitor Most Points – Meghan Field, Waipu

Novice Section

Special Highland Fling

1 st	Sasha King, Wellsford
2 nd	Cate Field, Waipu
3 rd	Olive Townsend, Waipu
4 th	Patrick King, Wellsford
5 th	Nina Hopper, New Plymouth
6 th	Sammy Mortimer, Whangarei

Flora MacDonald's Fancy

1 st	Cate Field, Waipu
2 nd	Sasha King, Wellsford
3 rd	Sammy Mortimer, Whangarei
4 th	Patrick King, Wellsford
5 th	Olive Townshend, Waipu
6 th	Nina Hopper, New Plymouth

Scottish Lilt

1 st	Sasha King, Wellsford
2 nd	Cate Field, Waipu
3 rd	Nina Hopper, New Plymouth
4 th	Sammy Mortimer, Whangarei
5 th	Olive Townshend, Waipu
6 th	Patrick King, Wellsford

Highland Fling

1 st	Cate Field, Waipu
2 nd	Sasha King, Wellsford
3 rd	Sammy Mortimer, Whangarei
4 th	Olive Townshend, Waipu
5 th	Nina Hopper, New Plymouth
6 th	Patrick King, Wellsford

Seann Triubhas

1 st	Sasha King, Wellsford
2 nd	Cate Field, Waipu
3 rd	Olive Townsend, Waipu
3 rd	= Sammy Mortimer, Whangarei
5 th	Nina Hopper, New Plymouth
6 th	Patrick King, Wellsford

Sword Dance

1 st	Cate Field, Waipu
2 nd	Sammy Mortimer, Whangarei
3 rd	Olive Townshend, Waipu
4 th	Nina Hopper, New Plymouth

Half Reel of Tulloch

1 st	Nina Hopper, New Plymouth
2 nd	Sammy Mortimer, Whangarei
3 rd	Patrick King, Wellsford
4 th	Sasha King, Wellsford

Most Points – Waipu Caledonian Society Cup – Cate Field, Waipu

Runner Up – Sasha King, Wellsford

Local Competitor Most Points – Cate Field, Waipu

Forshaw Cup – Winner of Special Highland Fling – Sasha King, Wellsford

Intermediate Section

Highland Fling

1 st	Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth
2 nd	Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth
3 rd	Emily King, Wellsford

Half Reel of Tulloch

1 st	Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth
2 nd	Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth
3 rd	Emily King, Wellsford

Barracks Johnnie

1 st	Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth
2 nd	Emily King, Wellsford
3 rd	Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth

Highland Laddie

1 st	Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth
2 nd	Emily King, Wellsford
3 rd	Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth

Sword Dance (HG Awards)

1 st	Emily King, Wellsford
2 nd	Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth
3 rd	Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth

Scottish Lilt

1 st	Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth
2 nd	Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth
3 rd	Emily King, Wellsford

Seann Triubhas	Flora MacDonald's Fancy
1 st Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth	1 st Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth
2 nd Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth	2 nd Emily King, Wellsford
3 rd Emily King, Wellsford	3 rd Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth
<u>HAD of Waipu Cup – Winner of Sword Dance (Highland Games Awards) – Emily King, Wellsford</u>	
<u>Most Points – Waipu ITM Cup – Pippa Perkins, New Plymouth</u>	
<u>Runner Up – Frankie Gilmour, New Plymouth</u>	
<u>Local Competitor Most Points – Emily King, Wellsford</u>	
Premier Section 7 years & under 14 Years	
Highland Fling	
1 st Kyah Murray, Waipu	1 st Pearl MacLeod, New Plymouth
2 nd Sienna Farrell, Whangarei	2 nd Kyah Murray, Waipu
3 rd Fergus Farrell, Whangarei	3 rd Sienna Farrell, Whangarei
4 th Peyton Murray, Waipu	4 th Fergus Farrell, Whangarei
5 th Pearl MacLeod, New Plymouth	5 th Peyton Murray, Whangarei
6 th Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth	6 th Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth
Strathspey & Half Reel of Tulloch	
1 st Peyton Murray, Waipu	1 st Sienna Farrell, Whangarei
2 nd Kyah Murray, Waipu	2 nd Kyah Murray, Waipu
3 rd Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth	3 rd Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth
4 th Fergus Farrell, Whangarei	4 th Fergus Farrell, Whangarei
5 th Sienna Farrell, Whangarei	5 th Peyton Murray, Waipu
6 th Pearl MacLeod, New Plymouth	6 th Eliza McLean, Ohakune
Blue Bonnets	
1 st Sienna Farrell, Whangarei	1 st Sienna Farrell, Whangarei
2 nd Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth	2 nd Fergus Farrell, Whangarei
3 rd Kyah Murray, Waipu	3 rd Kyah Murray, Waipu
4 th Peyton Murray, Waipu	4 th Peyton Murray, Waipu
5 th Fergus Farrell, Whangarei	5 th Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth
6 th Pearl MacLeod, New Plymouth	6 th Pearl MacLeod, New Plymouth
Scottish Lilt	
1 st Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth	1 st Fergus Farrell, Whangarei
2 nd Sienna Farrell, Whangarei	2 nd Eilidh Gilmour, New Plymouth
3 rd Peyton Murray, Waipu	3 rd Kyah Murray, Waipu
4 th Eliza McLean, Ohakune	4 th Peyton Murray, Waipu
5 th Kyah Murray, Waipu	5 th Pearl MacLeod, New Plymouth
6 th Fergus Farrell, Whangarei	6 th Sienna Farrell, Whangarei
<u>Premier 7 & U 14 years Most Points – Couper Family Cup – Sienna Farrell, Whangarei</u>	
<u>Premier Runner Up 7 & U 14 years – Kyah Murray, Waipu</u>	
<u>Local Competitor Most Points – Kyah Murray, Waipu</u>	
<u>Lothian Studio Trophy – Winner of Helen McGregor Memorial Award – Fergus Farrell, Whangarei</u>	

Premier
14 years & over

Highland Fling

1 st	Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei
2 nd	Alexis Lord, Whangarei
3 rd	Kelsi Hogan, Whangarei
4 th	Theresa Swan, Whangarei

1st

Sword Dance

Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei

Strathspey & Half Reel of Tulloch

1 st	Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei
2 nd	Alexis Lord, Whangarei
3 rd	Theresa Swan, Whangarei

1st

2nd

3rd

4th

Seann Triubhas

Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei
Alexis Lord, Whangarei
Theresa Swan, Whangarei
Kelsi Hogan, Whangarei

Blue Bonnets

1 st	Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei
2 nd	Alexis Lord, Whangarei
3 rd	Theresa Swan, Whangarei
4 th	Kelsi Hogan, Whangarei

1st

2nd

3rd

4th

Sailors Hornpipe

Alexis Lord, Whangarei
Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei
Kelsi Hogan, Whangarei
Theresa Swan, Whangarei

Scottish Lilt

1 st	Alexis Lord, Whangarei
2 nd	Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei
3 rd	Kelsi Hogan, Whangarei
4 th	Theresa Swan, Whangarei

1st

2nd

3rd

4th

Helen McGregor Memorial Award

Irish Jig

Alexis Lord, Whangarei
Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei
Kelsi Hogan, Whangarei
Theresa Swan, Whangarei

Most Points Premier 14 years & over – McLean Cup – Mary-Ann Swan, Whangarei

Runner Up Premier 14 years & over – Alexis Lord, Whangarei

Forshaw Cup – Winner of Helen McGregor Memorial Award – Alexis Lord, Whangarei

Deborah Trophy – Dance Studio gaining most points overall – Lothian Highland Dance Studio, Waipu & Whangarei

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