

## **Jigging Contest Rules and Regulations**

Judges at the Back to Batoche Days jigging Contest have firm guidelines that they follow throughout each round of classes. Order of contestants for each round will be randomly selected. Once an order of contestants is determined, the list will be displayed in the warm up room and at the Information Booth in front of the Main Stage. If a contestant has advanced to the next round, their name will be posted at the Administration Building approximately 30 minutes after the completion round.

**Please review the complete set a rules and regulations below. There will also be a copy in your registration information package.**

The judges will remain the same through out the week. Once the judges for the Back to Batoche Days 2010 Jigging Contest are obtained, we will list them on the Back to Batoche website.

The Back to Batoche Committee will be consulting with respected Jiggers and past Jig competition winners when selecting judges for this event.

### **Contest Class Categories and Number of Changes for each Category**

**Senior (60 & over) – 2 Changes**  
**Adult (19 – 59) – 3 Changes**  
**Youth (13-18) – 4 Changes**  
**Junior (12 & under) – 3 Changes**  
**Tiny Tots (0-5) – 2 Changes**

## Jigging Contest Rules

1. NO CLICKERS allowed.
2. Any group being paid for Jigging performances throughout Back to Batoche Days **will not be allowed to enter** in the jigging contest.
3. All contestants must register before their category begins. There is no fee.
4. Contestants can move up in category of age – but cannot go down.
5. Contestants can only enter **1** class
6. Order of contestants will be posted at Information Booth in front of the main stage. Contestants must be ready when called.
7. All jiggers will adhere to good sportsmanship. Jiggers are encouraged to be respectful while others are performing. Any acts of disrespect or ridicule will not be tolerated and will be subject to point deduction.
8. All dancers must be drug and alcohol free for the duration of the competition. Anyone who is caught under the influence of drugs or alcohol will result in the dismissal from the competition.
9. Steps considered traditional and contemporary are counted.
10. If a step is done on the right foot, it must also be done on the left foot.
11. A tap of the foot must follow all slides that are done with the feet.
12. No steps can be duplicated unless they are danced as part of another step.
13. Each Contestant is responsible for finding out when he/she is to jig and then must be in the warm-up room **at least 10 minutes prior to that time**. During that time, the contestant must report to the desk in the warm-up room to assure they have their registration number.
14. Dancers missing their turn will receive a penalty from the total score unless the Chairman waives the tardiness.
15. Contestants will be identified only by number and must have their number clearly displayed for the MC and Judges viewing.
16. No additional points will be awarded to individuals dressed in traditional Métis clothing. Competitors may dress traditionally if they wish for the enjoyment and

celebration of the Back to Batoche Days, **however being dressed traditionally will not give the participant extra points.**

17. Time Limit – Dancers must have a distinct set of changes. The exact number of changes will be different for individual age categories.

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18. Judges will advance the top 4 (four) dancers in each category to the semi finals Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup> @ 4:30 p.m. and the top 3 (three) to the finals on Sunday July 25<sup>th</sup> @ 12:00 p.m.

19. There will be a jig - off in case of a tie. The contest judges will decide the format as per class in the contest.

20. Any contestant winning a trophy or money must appear on stage at the closing ceremonies to receive their awards.

- 21. All Judges decisions are final.**

Total amount of Prize Money in Fiddling Competition **\$5,200**

**Jigging Contest Schedule  
Back To Batoche Days 2010**

**Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

\*(Start times may vary for all events based on number of competitors)

1:00 p.m. Jigging Preliminaries begin in this order:

Senior, Youth (12 & under) Youth (13-18) and Adult

**Friday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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1:00 p.m. Jigging Preliminaries begin in this order:

Senior, Youth (12 & under) Youth (13-18) and Adult

**Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>**

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1:00 p.m. Jigging Semi - finals will begin in this order:

Senior, Youth (12 & under) Youth (13-18) and Adult

**Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>**

12:00 p.m. Jigging Contest Finals - Finals will run in this order Fiddling:

Senior, Youth (12 & under) Youth (13-18) and Adult

Winners will be announced at Closing Ceremonies beginning at 2:30 p.m.