Mòd Bharraigh is Bhatarsaigh 2025

Barra and Vatersay Mòd 2025

CLÀR-EAGAIR AIRSON CLANN AGUS INBHICH

JUNIOR & SENIOR

SYLLABUS



Disathairne 27mh den t-Sultain 2025

Saturday 27th September 2025

ONLINE ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED BY SUNDAY 31ST AUGUST

https://form.jotform.com/252092873827365

PLEASE DIRECT ALL ENQUIRIES TO

barranvatmod@hotmail.com

ENTRY FEES

£1 ENTRY FEE PER ENTRANT

(Please note this is not per competition - it doesn't matter how many competitions a competitor takes part in, it's a flat fee of £1 per entrant to participate at local Mòd)

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO OUR ENTRY SYSTEM, NEW CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES AND OWN CHOICE SUBMISSIONS

Competition entries close on SUNDAY 31ST AUGUST.

Own Choice Submissions must be sent to barranvatmod@hotmail.com

by 5th September 2025

In recent years there have been changes made at a National Mòd level to how some of the junior solo and poetry competitions are categorised and so instead of age groups, some competitions are now grouped by school class.

Children must be entered for competitions based on the school class they will be in on **1 October 2025.**

SEINN AON-NEACH | SOLO SINGING

FLUENT

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
S01	P1 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Fluent	T-ring t-ring or Own Choice	If any competitor
S02	P2 Mixed	Solo Singing-Fluent	Bodach beag annasach or Own Choice	chooses to sing the National Mòd
S03	P3 Mixed	Solo Singing-Fluent	Sùilean dubha or Own Choice	prescribed song they do not need
S04	P4 Mixed	Solo Singing-Fluent	Dh'èirich mi moch madainn Chèitein or Own Choice	to submit music
S05	P5 Mixed	Solo Singing-Fluent	Ial, ial, ial or Own Choice	2 copies of all own choice
S06	P6 Girls	Solo Singing-Fluent	Iomair thusa Choinnich chridhe or Own Choice	songs (words and music), clearly marked
S07	P6 Boys	Solo Singing-Fluent	'S toil leam cruinneag dhonn nam bò or Own Choice	with competition number and your
S08	P7 Girls	Solo Singing-Fluent	Ho rò chaidil m' eudail or Own Choice	name, (the traditional song
S09	P7 Boys	Solo Singing-Fluent	Thoir mo shoraidh thar Ghunaigh or Own Choice	category only requires words),
S10	11-12 years Girls (Secondary)	Solo Singing-Fluent	Gaol an t-seòladair or Own Choice	must be submitted along
S11	11-12 years Boys (Secondary)	Solo Singing-Fluent	Òran an Nèibhi or Own Choice	with entry form and appropriate fee by FRIDAY 18th August.
S12	13-15 years Girls	Solo Singing-Fluent	Tha thu daonnan nam smuain	_
S13	13-15 years Boys	Solo Singing-Open	Balachan beag a' chuailein bhàin	

SEINN AON-NEACH | SOLO SINGING

LEARNER

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
S14	P1 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	Trèan ann an cabhaig or Own Choice	If any competitor chooses to sing the National Mòd
S15	P2 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	O leigibh leoth' mi or Own Choice	prescribed song they do not need
S16	P3 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	O leigibh leoth' mi or Own Choice	to submit music
S17	P4 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	'S ann an Ìle or Own Choice	2 copies of all own choice
S18	P5 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	'S ann an Ìle or Own Choice	songs (words and music),
S19	P6 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	Òran do dh'Alasdair or Own Choice	clearly marked with competition
S20	P7 - Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	Òran do dh'Alasdair or Own Choice	number and your name, (the
S21	11-12 years Mixed	Solo Singing-Learner	A' Bhirlinn Bharrach or Own Choice	traditional song category only requires words), must be submitted along with entry form and appropriate fee by FRIDAY 18th August.
S22	13 - 15 Mixed	Solo singing-Learner	Don chuthaig	

SEINN AON-NEACH | SOLO SINGING

OPEN

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
S23	16-18 years Mixed	Solo Singing-Open	Singing of an own choice song	
S24	13-18 years Mixed	Self Accompanied Singing - Open	Solo Singing of own choice song with self-accompaniment instrument of choice.	

SEANN NÒS | TRADITIONAL SINGING FLUENT

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
S26	P1 - P4 Mixed	Traditional Singing- Fluent		
S27	P5 - P7 Mixed	Traditional Singing - Fluent	Singing of a traditional or unpublished own choice	Submit words
S28	Under 16 Secondary Mixed	Traditional Singing- Fluent	song	only online by 18th of August 2024.
S29	16-18 years Mixed	Traditional Singing- Fluent		August 2024.

SEANN NÒS | TRADITIONAL SINGING LEARNER

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
S30	P1 - P4 Mixed	Traditional Singing- Learner		
S31	P5 - P7 Mixed	Traditional Singing- Learner	Singing of a traditional or unpublished own choice	Submit words
S32	Under 16 Secondary Mixed	Traditional Singing- Learner	song	only online by 18th of August 2024.
S33	16-18 years Mixed	Traditional Singing- Learner		August 2024.

BEUL-AITHRIS - POETRY RECITATION

FLUENT

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
BA01	P1 - Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Tha mise cluinntinn fuaim	
BA02	P2 - Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Tha mise cluinntinn fuaim	
BA03	P3 - Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Leum an cat	
BA04	P4 - Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Thuirt mo Mhàthair	Recitation of a
BA05	P5 - Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	An Rèis Mhòr	piece of poetry. No
BA06	P6 - Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Beachd	actions.
BA07	P7 - Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Cailleach-oidhche Fhroboist	
BA08	11-12 years (Secondary) Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Dìomhaireachd nan Speuran	
BA09	13-15 years (Secondary) Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Beaumont-Hamel	
BA09a	16 - 18 years (Secondary) Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Fluent	Recitation of an own choice piece of poetry.	No actions. Submit Words online.

BEUL-AITHRIS - POETRY RECITATION

LEARNERS

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
BA10	P1 - Mixed (Current Nursery)	Poetry Recitation -Learners	An càr ùr	
BA11	P2 Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	An Luch	Recitation of a
BA11a	P3 Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	An Luch	prescribed piece of poetry.
BA12	P4 Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	Tha thu fhathast ro òg	No actions.
BA12a	P5 Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	Tha thu fhathast ro òg	
BA13	P6 Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	Mo Chasan	
BA13a	P7 Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	Mo Chasan	
BA14	11-12 years (Secondary) Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	Rionnagan	
BA15	13-15 years (Secondary) mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	An t-Eun nach d' Rinn Sgèith	
BA16	16 - 18 years (Secondary) Mixed	Poetry Recitation -Learners	Recitation of an own choice piece of poetry.	No actions. Submit Words online.

BEUL-AITHRIS - STORYTELLING

OPEN

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
BA17	5-8 years - Mixed	Storytelling - Open		
BA18	9-10 years - Mixed	Storytelling - Open	Tell a story of Own Choice	Tell a story of own
BA19	11-12 years - Mixed	Storytelling - Open		choice. Maximum time is 4 minutes.
BA20	13-18 years - Mixed	Storytelling - Open		

BEUL-AITHRIS - CONVERSATION

FLUENT

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
BA21	P1 & P2 Mixed	Conversation - Fluent		
BA22	P3 & P4 Mixed	Conversation - Fluent		
BA23	P5 & P6 Mixed	Conversation - Fluent		
BA24	P7	Conversation - Fluent		

BEUL-AITHRIS - CONVERSATION

OPEN

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
BA25	13-18 years - (Secondary) Mixed	Conversation - Open		
BA26	16 - 18 years (Secondary) Mixed	Conversation - Open		

BUIDHEANN DRÀMA | DRAMA GROUPS

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
D01	Under 13 - Mixed	Drama - Open	Own Choice Original play devised and staged by	Time allowed (including set-up
D02	Under 19 - Mixed	Drama - Open	school or group presenting the playlet.	and removal of props) is 20 minutes.
				Script to be submitted online beofre Mòd.

SEINN CÀRAID | DUET SINGING

OPEN

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
C01	Under 13 years	Duet Singing-Open		
C02	13-18 years	Duet Singing-Open	Own Choice song in 2 -part harmony	

CÒMHLAIN | GROUP/BANDS

OPEN

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
C04	Primary	Group/Band- Open		
C05	Secondary	Group/Band- Open	Perform 2 Gaelic Songs - Own Choice	

ÒRAN GNÌOMH | ACTION SONG

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
C06	Croileagan/Sgoil Àraich	Action Song - Open		Not to exceed 5 minutes.
C07	Primary	Action Song - Open	Own Choice - Perform a song or a medley of songs as a group with actions	Only words to be submitted.

CÒISIREAN | CHORAL SINGING

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
C08	Under 13	Unison Choral Singing- Open	Singing of 2 own choice songs in unison.	**If any junior choir chooses
C09	Under 13	Puirt a Beul Choral Singing -Open	Singing of an own choice song puirt-a-beul	to sing the National Mòd prescribed
C10	Under 13	2-Part Harmony Choral Singing - Open	Singing of 2 own choice songs in harmony.	pieces relevant to the National Mòd they do
C11	Under 19	Unison Choral Singing- Open	Singing of 2 own choice songs in unison.	not need to submit music.
C12	Under 19	Puirt a Beul Choral Singing -Open	Singing of an own choice song puirt-a-beul	asici
C13	Under 19	2-Part Harmony Choral Singing - Open	Singing of 2 own choice songs in harmony.	

Entries for the Literature, Art and Media competitions should be submitted by 20th September 2025.

Submissions for Media and Literature work should be submitted to school office or online to

barranvatmod@hotmail.com by 20th September 2025.

Adjudication sheets can be collected from the Mòd office on the day.

LITEARRAS | LITERATURE

ODEN

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
L01	9-10 years	Literacy - Open	Own Choice- Piece of writing of a short story, poem or newspaper article on a topic of your own choice.	
L02	11-12 years	Literacy - Open		
L03	13-15 years	Literacy - Open		
L04	16-18 years	Literacy - Open		

EALAIN | ART OPEN

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Competition
E01A	Cròileagain / Sgoiltean- àraich	Art - Open	Own Choice - Painting or Drawing relating to Barra and Vatersay.	No word content required
E01	5-6 years	Art - Open	Own Choice - Painting or Drawing relating to Barra and Vatersay.	Please ensure only your name is on the back of the poster.
E02	7-8 years	Art - Open	and vaccisary.	
E03	9-10 years	Art - Open		
E04	11-12 years	Art - Open		
E05	13-15 years	Art - Open		
E06	16-18 years	Art - Open		

MEADHANAN | MEDIA OPEN

	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
ry	Media - Open	Own Choice - Short Film	Approx 5 minutes duration.
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FEADAN | CHANTER

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
P01	Beginner - under 13	Chanter	Own Choice Play a Slow Air.	1 or 2 parts
P02	Novice* - Under 13	Chanter	Own choice play a 2/4 March.	2 parts only
P03	Open - Under 13	Chanter	Own Choice Play a 2/4 March.	Minimum 4 parts
P04	Open 14-18	Chanter	Own choice 2/4 march.	Minimum 4 parts

PÌOBAIREACHD | PIPING

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
P05	Novice* 15 and under	Pipes - March	Own Choice - Play a 2/4 March.	Minimum 4 parts. Novice = less than 2 years playing
P06	15 and under	Pipes - 2/4 March	Own Choice - Play a 2/4 March.	Minimum 4 parts.
P07	15 and under	Pipes - Strathspey & Reel	Own Choice Play a Strathspey and Reel.	Minimum 4 parts.
P08	15 and under	Jig	Own choice	
P09	15 and under	Pipes - Ground of Pìobaireachd	Own Choice Play the ground of a Piobaireachd.	
P10	Under 19	Pipes - March Strathspey & Reel	Own Choice Play a 2/4 March.	Minimum 4 parts.
P11	Under 19	Pipes - Pìobaireachd	Own Choice Play a Pìobaireachd	
P12	Under 19	Pipes – hornpipe and jig	Selection of own choice pieces.	Must include a Hornpipe and Jig.

FIDHEALL | FIDDLE

Comp. No.	Age Category	Description	Prescribed Piece	Information
F01	Beginner* Under 13	Fiddle - Slow Gaelic Air & March	Own Choice Play a slow Gaelic Air and March,	
F02	Under 13	Fiddle - Slow Gaelic Air, March & Reel	Own Choice Play a slow Gaelic Air and March, followed by a Reel.	The Reel should be of Gaelic origin.
F03	Under 19	Fiddle - Slow Gaelic Air, March, Strathspey & Reel	Own Choice Play a slow Gaelic Air and March, followed by a Strathspey & Reel.	The Strathspey & Reel should be of Gaelic origin.

BOGSA-CIÙIL | ACCORDIAN

Comp. No.	Age/Class	Description	Prescribed Piece	Competition Information
BC01	Beginner*	Accordion - Gaelic Waltz	Own Choice Play a selection of 3 Gaelic Waltzes	*Less than 2 years' experience
BC02	Under 13	Accordion - Gaelic Waltz	Own Choice Play a selection of 3 Gaelic Waltzes	
BC03	Under 13	Accordion - March	Own Choice Play a March in the Highland/Gaelic/Piping idiom.	
BC04	Under 19	Accordion - Gaelic Waltz	Own Choice Play a selection of 3 Gaelic Waltzes	
BC05	Under 19	Accordion - March, Strathspey & Reel	Own Choice Play a March, Strathspey and Reel in the Highland/Gaelic/Piping idiom.	

PIÀNO I PIANO

Comp. No.	Age/Class	Description	Prescribed Piece	Competition Information
PN01	Beginner* - Under 13	Gaelic air		
PN02	Under 13	GAELIC AIR AND MARCH		
PN03	Beginner* - Under 19	GAELIC AIR		
PN04	Under 19	GAELIC AIR AND MARCH		

Inbhich - Adult Section

ORAL

I1	CONVERSATION - FLUENT	Mixed
I2	STORYTELLING - FLUENT	Mixed
I3	RECITATION - FLUENT	Mixed
I4	CONVERSATION - LEARNER	Mixed
I5	STORYTELLING – LEARNER	Mixed
I6	RECITATION - LEARNER	Mixed

VOCAL

I7	SOLO - FLUENT	Ladies
I8	SOLO - FLUENT	Men
I9	SOLO - LEARNER	Ladies
I10	SOLO LEARNER	Men

OPEN

I11	SOLO – LOCAL SONG	Ladies/Men
I12	SOLO – PUIRT A BEUL	Ladies/Men
I13	SOLO - TRADITIONAL	Ladies/Men
I14	DUET	
I15	QUARTET	
I16	FOLK GROUP (3-6 members)	
I17	SELF ACCOMPANIED SOLO OWN CHOICE - 2 GAELIC SONGS	

CHORAL

I18	SINGING IN HARMONY	LADIES
I19	SINGING IN HARMONY	MALE VOICE
I20	SINGING IN HARMONY	MIXED VOICE
I21	PUIRT À BEUL	MIXED VOICE
I22	WAULKING GROUP - CAN BE MIXED JUNIOR AND SENIOR	OPEN/MIXED

DRAMA

ſ	I23	PLAYLET	

RIAGHAILTEAN | RULES

- Competitors in all sections of the syllabus must submit their entry following the online link no later than **Sunday 31st August 2025**.
- If entering a competition which requires a file upload, e.g. own choice music, this
 must be uploaded or sent by 5th September 2025 or the entry will not be valid. For Vocal solo
 and Choral competitions own choice music and words for each song must be submitted.
 Points will be deducted for non-compliance.
- 3. A competitor must not sing the same song in more than one competition.
- 4. Junior competitors for vocal solos, duets, oral, literature, art and media competitions must be within the prescribed age group or class on **1 October 2025**.
- 5. Competitors are not allowed to consult books or music during competitions. Exceptionally, this rule does not apply to Instrumental Competitions.
- 6. In the Instrumental section BEGINNERS are competitors with <u>less</u> than two years playing experience. In Competitions P01 and P03 a NOVICE should be of up to one year's experience and Novice Competitions may be entered only once.
- 7. Entry to both Chanter and Bagpipe Competitions by the same competitor will **NOT** be accepted. A **Novice** may not enter any other piping or chanter competitions.
- 8. In ALL competitions the decision of the Adjudicators shall be final.
- 9. No prize will be awarded in any Competition in which the standard of performance is adjudged to be unsatisfactory.
- 10. Competitors should register for each competition with the steward at the venue where the competition is due to take place. Registration with the steward does not ensure that competitions will be held for late competitors. It is the competitors' responsibility to arrive at the relevant competition in time to compete.
- 11. All junior entrants are the responsibility of the adult in charge (i.e. parent/teacher). The Local Mòd committee and stewards will not be responsible for any child.
- 12. Trophies presented must be returned no later than **27th June 2026**.
- 13. The Local Mòd committee will not accept responsibility for the loss of or damage to people's property at any Mòd venue.
- 14. Unless covered specifically by the rules above, all other circumstances will be covered by the rules of the Royal National Mòd as appropriate.