

# A.G.M. AND FORUMS

The A.G.M. for the New Zealand Ice Skating Association will be held in Dunedin on 25 April 2009. We realise that this is ANZAC day but unfortunately it is the only time when our President and Treasurer are in the country at the same time in April.

The venue for the A.G.M. will be Salmond College, Knox Street, North East Valley Dunedin. This is on the north side of the Dunedin Botanical Gardens. The timetable for the day is:

Morning Tea	On arrival	
Rules & Regulations	11.00 a.m. – 11.45 a.m.	Sandra Williamson-Leadley
Recruitment & Retention	11.45 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.	Jan Howie
Lunch	12.30 p.m. – 1.30 p.m.	
Technical Committee/ Restructuring	1.30 p.m. – 2.15 p.m.	Sandra Williamson-Leadley
Inter Club	2.15 p.m. – 3.30 p.m.	Ina Paul
Afternoon Tea	3.30 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.	
AGM	4.00 p.m. – 5.00 p.m.	
Social Hour	5.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m.	

The Rules & Regulations Forum is self explanatory and the Technical Committee/Restructuring Forum will discuss the remits put forward by Allegro and Centaurus. However, the Recruitment and Retention Forum is being held so that we can all get together and discuss an important issue for our sport today. The Inter Club Forum is being held so that we can discuss skater support, competitions, Kiwiskate including the concept of a Kiwiskate passport and judges for testing and local competitions. If your Club has any ideas for these two forums and you wish to get them out to the Clubs for some thoughts prior to the Forum please send them to the National Secretary at: [secretary@nzisa.com](mailto:secretary@nzisa.com).

The people who have put themselves up for elections and the position they are standing for are:

Sandra Williamson-Leadley	- President/Councillor/Central TC
Jan Howie	- Secretary/Councillor
Liz Speden	- Treasurer/Councillor
Sue Petricevic	- Vice President/Councillor/Northern TC
Gill Boyd	- Vice President/Councillor
Dael Haynes	- Councillor/Northern TC
Ina Paul	- Councillor
Kevin Poit	- Councillor
Leanne Hems	- Councillor
Robyn Morris	- Councillor
Sue Hoseit	- Councillor/Southern TC
Newall Campbell	- Councillor
Wendy Clucas	- Central TC
Grace Bateman	- Southern TC
Kendra Wilkie	- Central TC

Thank you to the people who have put their name forward. Their C.V.'s are with the Clubs for their consideration.

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**Club Secretaries—could you please advise the National Secretary, [secretary@nzisa.com](mailto:secretary@nzisa.com), who your delegates are and the number of your members attending the A.G.M. for catering purposes by Friday 3rd April 2009.**

## Selection Competition

The Selection Competition for Primary Pairs and Novice Singles is being held in conjunction with the Autumn Championship being hosted by the Auckland Figure Skating Club on Sunday, April 19, 2009.

Please note that the closing date for entry to this competition is Saturday 28 March 2009, otherwise the Auckland Ice Figure Skating Club will charge a late entry fee. This date differs from the date you have to advise the NZISA that you are putting your name forward for selection.

Therefore, if you are going for selection at the Autumn Championship you will need to:

- ◆ Have your entry forward by 28 March 2009 to the Auckland Ice Figure Skating Club or pay a late entry fee.

- ◆ You will also need to put your name forward and the grade that you are entering to the NZISA National Secretary by 31 March 2009.

- ◆ Please also note that you will need to be eligible for the grade that you have entered by 31 March 2009 (i.e.: you must hold the required medal tests by that date). The Selection Competition for Pri-



mary, Intermediate, Junior & Senior Singles grades plus all Ice Dance grades will be held in conjunction with the Queenstown Invitational being hosted by the Queenstown Ice

Skating Club from Friday 15 to Sunday 17 May, 2009. The closing date for this competition is 20 April, 2009. Therefore, if you are entering the Queenstown Invitational Competition then you will need to:

- ◆ Put your name forward and the grade you are entering to the NZISA National Secretary by 31 March 2009

- ◆ Have your entry forward by 20 April 2009 to the Queenstown Ice Skating Club or a late entry fee will be charged. This entry has to go through your Club.

- ◆ Please also note that you will need to be eligible for the grade that you have entered by 31 March 2009 (i.e.: you must hold the required medal tests by that date).

If you have any queries concerning above please contact the National Secretary at: [secretary@nzisa.com](mailto:secretary@nzisa.com).

## 2009 NZ National Championship

The 2009 New Zealand National Ice Skating Championship is to be held at the Paradise Rink, Botany, Auckland from 11- 16 October 2009.

The entry fees were set at the March Meeting of the National Council and are as follows:

<b>Singles</b>	<b>\$175.00/entry</b>
<b>Pairs</b>	<b>\$230.00/entry</b>
<b>Ice Dance – Juvenile &amp; Pre-Primary</b>	<b>\$230.00/couple</b>
<b>Ice Dance – Primary to Senior</b>	<b>\$280.00/couple</b>
<b>Solo Dance – Pre-Primary, Primary &amp; Open</b>	<b>\$125.00/entry</b>
<b>Synchronised – Juvenile, Novice &amp; Adult</b>	<b>\$55.00/ team member</b>
<b>Synchronised – Open, Junior &amp; Senior</b>	<b>\$85.00/team member</b>
<b>Adult Singles</b>	<b>\$125.00/entry</b>
<b>Adult Pairs</b>	<b>\$150.00/entry</b>
<b>Adult Dance – Bronze</b>	<b>\$230.00/couple or \$120.00 per section</b>
<b>Adult Dance – Silver, Gold, Elite</b>	<b>\$280.00/couple or \$120.00 per section</b>
<b>Norman Wright &amp; New Zealand Waltzing Trophies</b>	<b>\$125.00/couple</b>
<b>Special Olympics – all grades</b>	<b>\$175.00/entry</b>

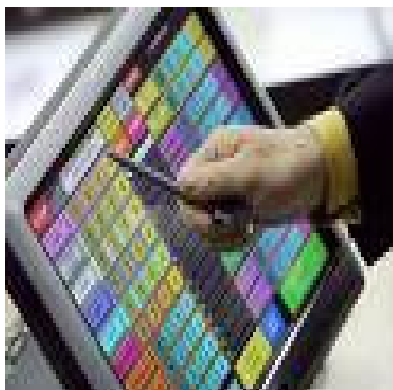
## COACHES MEMBERSHIP FEES

The coaches NZISA membership fees have been set at \$60.00 for 2009 season. These are due by 31st March 2009 and you should have received your invoice by now. If you haven't received an invoice from the NZISA then please contact the National Secretary, [secretary@nzisa.com](mailto:secretary@nzisa.com) or Treasurer, [treasurer@nzisa.com](mailto:treasurer@nzisa.com). Remember if you want to be rinkside at any of the NZISA Competitions and the competitions held by any of the affiliated Clubs you need to be a member. Please remember that you are meant to have had all your coaching information to Kevin Point by now. If you haven't done this yet then please do so as soon as possible so that the NZISA can move forward with the accreditation process.

## Probationary Judging

As the competition season starts up, we have a number of queries about probationary judging, particularly from young skaters who may be wishing to start their judging activities.

Section 3 of the Officials' Training, Appointment and Promotion Policy sets out how old a person must be to be appointed to judge for Club, Sub-Association and Association Championships – the minimum age is 16. Probationary



*A judge at work*

judging is considered an appointment and skaters must be 16 before any probationary judging activities will be considered for an initial appointment to the NZISA Approved List of Officials. Persons younger than 16, who are interested in judging, are encouraged to attend a judging seminar, act as a probationary judge at a Kiwiskate level competition (under supervision of a more senior judge) and become familiar with the rules of the NZISA and the ISU. Any persons

interested in becoming a judge, should contact a Technical Committee member or Judge in their area.

## Synchronized Skating Team Eligibility

A clarification of NZISA Rule 603.3 regarding the number of teams a skater can compete in has been requested. A team (and therefore individual skaters) may enter more than one division using different music and a different routine with a minimum change of 50% of the skaters. A skater may not compete for two teams in the same grade, only in different grades. The exception to this rule is skaters who skate on an Adult Synchronized Skating team may not also compete on a Juvenile, Novice, Open, Junior or Senior team just as skaters must either compete in the Adult or mainstream grades, but not both, in all other disciplines.



## Solo Dance Draw for 2009

The dances for the Solo dance events for competitions in 2009 are as follows:

**Pre Primary Solo Dance** – two dances will be drawn at each competition from the Group 2 dances (Swing Dance, Canasta Tango, Willow Waltz).

**Primary Solo Dance** – The Variation Dance will be based on the Foxtrot. One other compulsory dance (European Waltz or Fourteenstep) will be drawn at each competition.

**Open Solo Dance** – The Combination Dance will be based on the Rocker Foxtrot. One other compulsory dance (Westminster Waltz or Killian) will be drawn at each competition.

Clarifications on the composition of the Variation Dance and Combination Dance will be sent out shortly.



## 2010 Australian National Championships

Ice Skating Australia have advised that their National Championships from 2010 onwards will be held in December each year. The 2009 Australian National Championships will be the last to be held in August.



This move has been made to align training plans of skaters with the international competition season. For New Zealand, this means selections for skaters to represent NZ at the Australian Championships will be done at the time of our National Championships from 2010.

## NZ Synchronised Skating Team

The New Zealand Synchronised Team is working hard in Auckland at the moment and they leave for the 2009 World Championships in Zagreb, Croatia on Saturday 28 March. The competition begins on 3rd April.



**Good Luck to the Team**