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Ayesha Campbell – AMP Regional Scholarship Winner



evening in Christchurch at the Grenadier Café, which was also attended by last years winner, cyclist Michael Vink.

at the Auckland Museum. She was presented with the award to follow her skating dream, and was complemented on the way that she presented herself as a member of the NZ Skating fraternity. Congratulations to Ayesha on this prestigious recognition by the AMP Scholarship panel!

On 16 September 2010, Ayesha was presented with the AMP Regional scholarship by the Senior members of the Amicus Group at an

Ayesha and Isabel Campbell were then flown to Auckland for the National AMP Scholarship Awards Banquet on 15 October

School Sport Award for Madelaine Parker

Once a year the school of St Margaret's College holds a semi-formal dinner sports award for students at the school. This dinner is all about celebrating the achievements of girls that have gone to national or international competitions for any sport. The two Maggiore sports awards that are given

out on the night are: the most outstanding junior woman sports award (Years 9 and 10) and the most outstanding senior woman sports award (years 11 – 13). The top 5 girls in each category are chosen and announced by the sports director of the school, based on their accomplishments and selections. Made-

laine Parker was the winner of the most outstanding junior woman's sports award at St Margaret's College. Congratulations Maddie on this wonderful achievement!



E-mailing the National Secretary

The National Secretary is not receiving some e-mails because members are still using her old e-mail address. If you wish the National Secretary and/or Council to receive these e-mails then you must use: **secretary@nzisa.com**. The Secretary will not take responsibility for e-mails missed if they are sent to her old address.

NEW ZEALAND'S TEAM TO AUSTRALIAN NATIONALS

The following skater's are leaving for Australia this week to represent New Zealand at the 2011 Australian National Championships:

Primary Ladies – Preeya Laud, Abbey Miller

Intermediate Ladies – Zoe Cameron-Brown, Chelsea Richdale

Novice Ladies – Iyrin Quigley, Sarah MacGibbon

Junior Ladies – Maddie Parker, Jessie Park, Samantha Waugh

Junior Men – Chris Boyd

Junior Dance – Ayesha Campbell & Shane Speden

Senior Ladies – Samantha Waugh, Melissa Morris

Senior Men – Cameron Hems

Adult Synchro – Spectrum, Icy Chicks

And Adult Demonstration – Sue Hoseit

The NZISA Team Liaisons will be:

Wednesday to Sunday = Sandra Williamson-Leadley. Sandra will be at the rink every day and can be contacted there if there are

any problems concerning the competition.

Monday to Competition end = Robyn Morris. Robyn's contact details are :

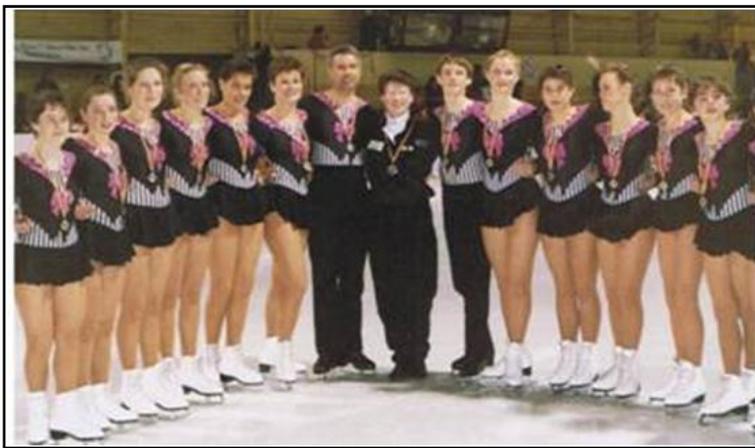
Cell number in Australia is 0457435642

She is staying at the Best Western Atlantis Hotel on Spencer St. The Hotel number is 61 3 96002900. Please contact Robyn if there are any problems concerning the competition on these days.

The NZISA wishes all the skaters "good skating"

Skate Sensations Synchronized Skating 20 Year Reunion

Labour Day weekend saw much hilarity as team members, coach and managers gathered to view old footage, uniforms, photographs and share memories of the team. Skate Sensations, coached by Sandra Williamson-



Leadley, was the first New Zealand Precision (now known as Synchronized Skating) team to represent New Zealand at a Australian National Championships. The team competed in the Junior Grade at the Australian National Champion-

ships in 1990 (winning silver), 1992, 1993, and 1994 (again winning silver). Many changes have occurred in the sport since Skate Sensations were competing, particularly reduced freedom with choreography and element selection. Several of the Skate Sensations team

members continue their involvement in Synchronized Skating – five with Spectrum, Canterbury Master FSC's adult team, one is a member of Icy Chicks, Allegro IDC's adult team, and two are Synchro judges in Australia. Great friendships were

NZISA 2011 Rules and Regulations

The NZISA Council held its final meeting for 2010 on 14 November. One of the main objectives of this meeting was to finalise the NZISA Rules and Regulations for the 2011 season. The 2011 rules will be published as soon as possible and will come into effect on 1 January 2011.

Postings on Social Networking sites

Just reiterating the email that was sent out previously, we would like to respectfully remind all NZ Skating Community members about posting/ emailing/ making comments about other members of the NZ Skating Community, i.e. skaters, coaches, officials, parents, etc. Please be mindful that while you intend for

your comments to be viewed or heard by selected people, once these comments have been made, posted on social networking sites, such as Facebook or emailed they can find their way into the public domain. Your posting/email/ comments could put you in breach of the NZISA Code of Ethics which

applies to all members.

The old adages, "Treat others the way you wish to be treated" and "If you haven't got anything nice to say, don't say anything at all" still apply. Please consider what you post/ write/say carefully and who may end up having access to it.

Complaints Process

From time to time there are incidents or decisions that are made that we feel need to be brought to the attention of someone or some part of the organisation. In order to resolve these matters in a manner that addresses the issue and allows all parties involved to put their side forward, the following process needs to be followed:

1. In the first instance, address the matter directly to the person or part of the organisation with whom the matter has arisen.
2. If that does not resolve the matter, address the issue to the part of the organisation that needs to be involved. This may be a Club, Sub-Association or the NZISA Council. Ensure that you state what the nature

of the concern/complaint is, who is involved and what resolution you seek. Try to be as objective as possible in your statement.

The Club, Sub-Association or NZISA will then undertake a period of investigation to ascertain the facts in the case and to gather information from all parties involved. Be patient at this point as it may take some time to get all the information required from the parties involved and for the Club or Council to discuss the course of action, if any, to be taken. However, you should know the outline of what is being done (general terms) and the expected timeframe to have a decision or intervention put in place.

3. If you are not satisfied with the decision, you may then ask for this to

be reconsidered or, in the cases of very serious matters, may wish to consult or retain legal advice. The ISU do not become involved in the internal matters of its Member Federations and the matter would be referred back to you to take up with the national body, in our case the NZISA.

In any instance, once the complaint or concern has been lodged with the relevant person(s), Club or the NZISA, you need to refrain from discussing the matter with parties outside those involved so that a fair and unprejudiced process can take place. Your subsequent actions may further inflame the situation or otherwise affect the process and the resolution you seek.

Intro to Coaching and Level 1 Coaching Courses

11 people attended the Intro to Coaching Course, primarily from Dunedin. Kim Lewis was the moderator for this Course which was held over one day.

8 people from Dunedin, Christchurch, Gore and Auckland attended the Level One Coaching Course which was moderated by Kevin Poit. The Level One Course was held over two days immediately following the National Cham-

ionship.

Everyone who attended the Level One Course successfully completed the seminar. The exams have yet to be marked so we are waiting on the results. They have been given a checklist detailing the requirements to receive accreditation. All must also complete the Apprentice Programme.

The NZISA have received two

Mentor Agreements for their consideration from people who attended this course. Any agreements still needing to go to Council for their approval will not be considered until the next Council meeting in February 2011.

Kevin and the NZISA would like to thank Neil Gamble and his staff for their co-operation and assistance with running these courses.