



NATIONALS INFORMATION

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Tēnā koutou katoa,

Just under four weeks until the 2023 New Zealand Ice Figure Skating Championships (Nationals) at Dunedin Ice Stadium. Here is some information from DISC to assist you with your planning.

MERCHANDISE

Orders can now be placed online for Nationals merchandise. The clothing range is available in the logo colours of black, blue and green, and in a range of styles, child and adult sizes. If you want to be able to collect your order during the competition, **please ensure you place your order by midnight Wednesday 20th September**. The order form will remain open until 5pm 10th October. Any orders placed after 20th September will include a postal charge, at this stage we cannot confirm the dates of subsequent print runs (likely to be number-dependent). Please note, merchandise is only available from the online store this year.

Online merchandise store







TICKETING

We are launching a media campaign to attract members of the broader Ōtepoti Dunedin public to this year's Nationals. Our aim is to grow the audience and share the thrill of watching our athletes compete at our sport's pinnacle Aotearoa event. Skaters who register for Nationals have entry for themselves plus a chaperone as part of their registration. For other guests, day tickets are available for purchase from the online store, or can be purchased at the entry to Dunedin Ice Stadium.



Adults (over 12 yrs) - \$5 per day ticket Children (12 yrs and under) - Free Purchase tickets

We will not be asking for donations at the entry desk!

BANQUET

The theme for the championship's banquet is 'Under the Sea'. Been looking for an occasion to give your mer-tail a shake, now's your moment! Check your wardrobe for aqua, turquoise, coral – there's an ocean-full of colours to choose from. The banquet will be held at upstairs in the Metro Lounge at the Edgar Centre, with great views of the Otago Harbour. The banquet is a two-course meal, with dietary needs accommodated. Tickets:

Adults (over 12 yrs) - \$45 Children (12 yrs and under) - \$20 Please indicate any dietary needs in the booking form Banquet ticket sales

NATIONAL'S DATES

Saturday 7 - Tuesday 10 October 2023

OFFICIAL MATTERS

- **1.** The **schedule** will be made available as soon as possible after entries have closed. The latest version can always be found on the NZIFSA website under Competitions.
- **2.** The **closing date for Nationals entries** is <u>Friday 15 September</u>. Each club sets its own earlier deadline to ensure that all entries can be processed with sufficient time to submit to the NZIFSA. Ensure you do not miss the deadline by submitting your entries to your home club secretary in a timely manner.
- **3.** All **technical or selection questions** should be addressed to the NZIFSA in the first instance, to the General Secretary at secretary@nzifsa.org.nz.
- **4.** Please ensure that you have **updated your PPC** on the NZIFSA website by the closing date for Nationals.

MUSIC

Your music should be sent to nzifsamusic@gmail.com in .mp3 format, and files should be labelled with the following information:

- Competitor's (or Team's) Name
- Championship Section (e.g. Junior Women)
- Program Identification (e.g. Short Program)
- Exact running time of music (not skating time)

E.g. Jane Bloggs Junior Women SP 4-03.mp3

PROGRAMME PHOTOS

All skaters must have their updated photo uploaded to the NZIFSA website by the closing date of entries. If we don't have a photo for you we might just have to use an emoji... © Please make sure this is a nice passport style photo of you rather than a general skating picture.

Synchro teams, pairs' and dance couples, if you would like your photo in the programme, please send through a photo directly to nzifsainfo@gmail.com by 12 noon on Friday 15 September.

PROPOSED SCHEDULE

Though the dates and scheduled days for each event are likely to remain the same, the order of events <u>will</u> change. Notification of unofficial practice ice that is not shown here will be made available closer to the time of the event.

Friday 6 October	Unofficial practices		
Saturday 7 October	Juvenile Under 12, Girls & Boys FS, Youth Interpretive (all grades), Adult Interpretive (all grades), Pairs SP (all grades), Waltzing Trophy, Norman Wright Dancing Trophy		
Sunday 8 October	Basic Novice Under 12, Girls & Boys FS, Intermediate Novice Under 12, Girls & Boys FS, Synchro up to and including Advanced Novice FS (includes Adults)		
Monday 9 October	Advanced Novice Under 12, Girls & Boys SP, Junior Under 12, Women & Men SP, Senior Women & Men SP, Adult Freeskate (all grades), Pairs FS (all grades), Ice Dance RD and PD (all grades), Junior & Senior Synchro SP		
Tuesday 10 October	Advanced Novice Under 12, Girls & Boys FS, Junior Under 12, Women & Men FS, Senior Women & Men FS, Ice Dance FD (all grades), Junior & Senior Synchro FS		

Official practices are expected to be held each morning with competition in the afternoon/evening as per the draft outline below. Ice time will be made available for unofficial practices. The times outlined below are indicative only.

Days/Dates	Unofficial Practice	Official Practice	Competition
Friday 6 October	4:00pm – 7:00pm		
Saturday 7 October	6:00am – 7:30am	7:30am – 12:00pm	4:00pm – 8:30pm
Sunday 8 October	6:00am – 7:00am	7:00am – 12:00pm	4:00pm – 8:30pm
Monday 9 October		7:00am – 1:30pm	1:30 – 8:00pm
Tuesday 10 October		6:00 – 10:00am	10:00am – 2:00pm

FACEBOOK PAGE

Follow the NZ Nationals event on DISC Facebook. Keep an eye open for spot prizes!



Dunedin Ice Skating Club

Dunedin Ice Skating Club Organising Committee

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