

# NEW ZEALAND ICE SKATING ASSOCIATION (INC)

## COMMUNICATION 016

### NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

We once again had the pleasure of welcoming skaters from Australia. Their participation can only inspire our skaters. A special thank you to Delwyn Watson and her small team of helpers who worked tirelessly through the whole week to ensure that everything ran smoothly.

#### SENIOR

|        |                      |       |                 |
|--------|----------------------|-------|-----------------|
| Men    | Ricky Cockerill      | DISC  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Tristan Thode        | AIFSC | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Joel Watson          | AIFSC | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| Ladies | Sarah-Yvonne Prytula | Guest | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Aslihan Aydin        | GLBRN | 1 <sup>st</sup> |

#### JUNIOR

|        |                   |       |                 |
|--------|-------------------|-------|-----------------|
| Men    | Joel Watson       | AIFSC | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Robert McNamara   | Guest | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Mathieu Wilson    | GLBRN | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
| Ladies | Morgan Figgins    | DISC  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Jacinta Greenwood | Guest | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Dee Pulman        | AIFSC | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Vicky Kuo         | AIFSC | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

#### NOVICE

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|--------|----------------------|-------|-----------------|
| Ladies | Allie Rout           | AIFSC | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Laura Mills          | CISC  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Sarah Wrigley        | Guest | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
|        | Aravinda Marinkovich | AIFSC | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

#### INTERMEDIATE

|        |                      |       |                 |
|--------|----------------------|-------|-----------------|
| Men    | Iain Pollock         | CISC  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Cameron Jorey-Hughes | Guest | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Nicholas Apperley    | CISC  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
|        | Grant Howie          | ISS   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |
| Ladies | Caitlyn Paul         | CISC  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Emily Warne          | GLBRN | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Clair McGillan       | ISS   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

#### PRIMARY

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|-----|--------------|-------|-----------------|
| Men | Cameron Hems | GLBRN | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
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| Ladies | Albrina Lee      | Guest | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Georgina Butler  | Guest | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Juliette O'Neill | CISC  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Millie Campbell  | ALEX  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Rachel Gregory   | ISS   | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

### PRE PRIMARY

|     |              |      |                 |
|-----|--------------|------|-----------------|
| Men | Russell Ngan | CISC | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|     | Andrew Smith | ALEX | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

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|--------|------------------|------|-----------------|
| Ladies | Alanna Pollock   | CISC | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|        | Kate Davidson    | ALEX | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|        | Annika Matravers | CISC | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

### JUVENILE

|     |                  |      |                 |
|-----|------------------|------|-----------------|
| Men | Shane Speden     | ISS  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|     | Christopher Boyd | QTWN | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

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| <b>PRE PRIMARY PAIRS</b> | Annika Matravers & Dean Borland | CISC | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                          | Kathryn Gregory & Grant Howie   | ISS  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

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| <b>JUVENILE PAIRS</b> | Sheree Cowan & Luke Scoringe | CISC | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
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| <b>NZ WALTZING TROPHY</b> | Vicky Volkova & Craig Anderson | GLBRN | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                           | Anna Cairns & Kurt Scoringe    | CISC  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

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| <b>NORMAN WRIGHT TROPHY</b> | Vicky Volkova & Craig Anderson | GLBRN | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                             | Julieanna and Thomas Niu       | AIFSC | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

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| <b>JUNIOR SYNCHRONIZED</b> | Synergy     | Guest | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                            | Ice Odessey | ISS   | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|                            | Ice on Fire | CISC  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |

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| <b>OPEN SYNCHRONIZED</b> | Botany Blades | AKL Joint | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
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| <b>MASTERS – Diamond</b> | Rachel Fisher | AIFSC | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
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| - Silver | Jan Christieson  | CISC  | 1 <sup>st</sup> |
|          | Melanie Thompson | GLBRN | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |
|          | Eleanor Stanbury | CISC  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> |

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| Abbreviations | ALEX  | Alexandra Figure Skating Club |
|               | AIFSC | Auckland Figure Skating Club  |
|               | CISC  | Centaurus Figure Skating Club |
|               | DISC  | Dunedin Figure Skating Club   |
|               | GLBRN | Glenburn Figure Skating Club  |
|               | ISS   | Ice Sports Southland          |

**ADMINISTRATION OR YEAR** Eric Apperley

**SPORTSPERSON OF YEAR** Caitlyn Paul

## **SPECIAL JUDGES AWARD**

For dedication and Contribution to Judging 2003. Sandra Williamson-Leadley

## **SELECTIONS**

### **Australian Nationals**

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Senior              | Ricky Cockerill, Tristan Thode              |
| Junior              | Joel Watson, Mathieu Wilson, Morgan Figgins |
| Novice              | Allie Rout                                  |
| Intermediate        | Iain Pollock, Caitlyn Paul                  |
| Primary             | Cameron Hems                                |
| Junior Synchronized | Ice Odessey – Ice Sports Southland          |

### **International**

The following skaters are being considered for International Representation. Ricky Cockerill, Tristan Thode, Joel Watson, Mathieu Wilson, Morgan Figgins, Allie Rout, Cameron Hems.

### **Development Group**

The selectors have reviewed their appraisals on skaters made throughout 2003 at Training Sessions, Competitions and Training camps plus performances at the National Championships. Skaters, Coaches and their Clubs will receive confirmation in writing with relevant details once approved by Council.

This group of skaters may compete in Australian Club/State, Hollins Trophy or Summer Trophy subject to their meeting entry qualifications of age, medal and grade.

### **SUMMER TROPHY – Brisbane, Australia**

Notification of this competition to be held at the Acacia Ridge, Ice Rink on 19 – 23 January has just been received. This competition also includes a Le Patinage Artistique held at the conclusion of the other events. Skaters from the above groups may attend this competition subject to acceptance by the Organizing Committee and providing they check they meet all entry requirements. Other skaters may apply giving details of the grade they wish to enter, however, first priority will be given to those skaters selected to attend and the numbers permitted by the Host Club.

Judges – Any judge from a level of Novice up interested in attending any of the above competitions for experience should apply to the National Technical Secretary. There is no guarantee that you would be placed on a panel other than as a trial judge.

### **ANTI DOPING SEMINAR**

A representative from the NZ Sports Drug Agency moderated this very informative meeting. Of most interest to the skaters was the showing of the equipment used for drug testing and explaining what the skater must do to ensure samples given are protected and cannot be tampered with. Any skaters who were unable to attend this seminar can access the following websites for information. [www.nzisa.com](http://www.nzisa.com), [www.nzsda.co.nz](http://www.nzsda.co.nz), [www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org), and [www.wada-ama.org](http://www.wada-ama.org). Should you have any queries please contact Anna-Marie Frost who looks after this portfolio on email [FROST\\_TITIRANGI@xtra.co.nz](mailto:FROST_TITIRANGI@xtra.co.nz).

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS CHANGES**

As announced at the Open Forum Meeting at the time of Nationals there have been a number of Rule Changes made in an effort to make training for Medal Tests and competitions easier on the skater and coach. The most major change is to the structure for Single Free skating Medal Tests. The test will now be the Short Program to include the same elements as required in the Short Program for championships and will be judged the same with a basic skating mark being awarded for Technical Merit and deductions according to the ISU requirements made. The format will be shown in graph and standard written form in the Regulations and come in to effect 1<sup>st</sup> January 2004.

### **Rule 227 - CHAMPIONSHIP ELIGIBILITY**

Single skaters may now hold a higher free skating medal test without moving up. eg the Medal Test requirement is now the minimum for entry. Pre Primary a skater must have a minimum of Test 2 Inter Bronze Freeskating and Test 2 Inter Bronze Stroking but they may hold Bronze or higher. Except for Junior Grade skaters may not have competed in a higher grade in any Club, (referred to as local) Sub Association, National or International for which they are entering.

### **SYNCHRONIZED TEAM MEMBERS**

In order to compete in Club, Sub Association and National Championships, skaters must now meet the following test requirements.

Juvenile, Open and Adult Teams – skaters must have passed a minimum of Test 0 Elementary Stroking.

Junior and Senior Teams – skaters must have passed a minimum of Test 1 Preliminary Stroking.

Obviously to include these amendments other Rules must be checked to ensure they all conform. Members will be advised when the Rules are completed and are strongly advised to download them off the website and read thoroughly.

### **VENUE 2004 NATIONALS**

The 2004 National Championships will be held at Queenstown Monday 20 – Thursday 23 September inclusive. Ice will be available for Clubs to hire Saturday and Sunday prior to the commencement of the championships from 6am – 5pm.

### **AOTEAROA INTERNATIONAL**

Thank you to all families and skaters who have responded offering their support. Now that we are satisfied sufficient assistance is offered the next step will be deciding on the venue and dates. In the interest of our senior skaters, we will now include a Senior Grade thus allowing our senior skaters the opportunity to compete.

### **MEDAL TEST CERTIFICATES**

Skaters who have been successful in passing Medal Tests this year may have observed the new certificate. The layout is the same, but with thanks to the work of Eric Apperley these can now be generated on the computer with a slip of paper that the actual medal can be attached to. This alleviates the necessity for the use of a typewriter.

### **ISU COMMUNICATION**

Following on from Communication 1207 Communication 1224 includes two charts outlining detailed criteria for the different Levels of Difficulty for each individual element in Pairs and Singles skating. This information relates to the new ISU Judging System presently being used at Grand Prix Events. Please note there are no plans for New Zealand to adopt this system at present. However, the charts may be of use to Coaches, Judges and Skaters in evaluating the level of difficulty in elements contained in their programs.

### **JUDGES, SKATERS TRAVELLING OVERSEAS**

Please be advised that should any Judge be traveling overseas and would like the opportunity to officiate as a Judge or just trailing please contact either The National Secretary (Joy Street) or Technical Secretary (Scott Thode) in order that a letter may be given to the ISU Member of the Country being visited giving NZISA permission, level of judging and confirmation of eligibility status. This requested permission is also applicable to skaters as it could jeopardize their eligibility status.

### **NEW VIDEOS AVAILABLE FROM ISU**

A new technical video "Synchronized Skating – Transitions, Movements in Isolation and Step Sequences" has been completed and available for purchase at a cost of 75 Swiss Francs plus postage.

There is also an excellent Dance Video available called Compulsory Dances 2003. This video covers a comprehensive study of the 23 Compulsory Dances to assist skaters, coaches and judges. Cost 75 Swiss Francs plus postage.

### **JUDGES CLASSIFICATION LISTS**

These have been reviewed and will also be published in a different format that hopefully will be more use-friendly. Judges and Clubs will receive these lists as soon as they are completed.

As Christmas is fast approaching, I take this opportunity of wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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