

Skater's Scoop



Stouffville Skating Club Monthly Newsletter - March 2011

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ALL Sessions CANCELLED March 12th to March 20th for March Break

Spring Break:

Spring must be just around the corner as it is nearly time for Spring Break. All skating sessions will be cancelled Saturday March 12th to March 20th. Sessions resume Monday, March 21. Have a great week everyone.

Canskate Program Update:

We are very proud of the achievements of our skaters who have skated in Canskate this season. The attendance and progress has been outstanding and the programs in our new facility have been motivating. We thank the parents for their patience while we have organized and evaluated all the skaters as we have gone along. This is particularly important at the beginning of the year and after Christmas break when so many new skaters are entering the program. We look forward now as we enter into the last weeks of the season and hope all the skaters are truly enjoying the skating experience.

What is Canskate?

Canskate is a learn to skate program offered by Skate Canada our governing body
<http://www.skatecanada.ca/>

Who should register for Canskate?

This program is suitable for children 5 years of age and up. This program is suitable as an introduction to Figure Skating, Hockey and Recreational skating. You do not need to have any previous experience in skating. The child must be able to take instruction in a group setting, wear

proper skates, helmet and gloves. Stouffville Skating Club <http://www.stouffvilleskate.com/> offers this program at 4 different times a week, and for children who would like to skate 2 days a week this can be very beneficial and the club would be pleased to arrange for this.

What do you learn in CanSkate?

This is a learn to skate program, where the skater is introduced to: A. Skating forward, B. Skating backwards, C. Stopping D. Turning, E. Spinning F. Jumping.

The program is divided up into 6 levels. Each of the six skills above are introduced in each level, on a progressive scale. To see a more detailed version on what is being taught in each level go to: <http://www.stouffvilleskate.blogspot.com/> and just follow the links on the left side.

What happens when I have finished level 6?

Most children will take at least 2 skating seasons to complete the Canskate program. After completion the skater will qualify for our Junior Program. This program is a continuation of what the skater has learned, and divides the program into 3 categories. Free skate, Dance, and Skating skills.

Precan or Canskate?

Precan is an introduction program to skating with the emphasis on play, and is suitable for ages 3-5 years. So having completed the Precan program the skater will fit into the Canskate program very well.

Executive Meeting

Our next Executive meeting will be held on Tuesday March 8th 2010 at 7:00pm in the boardroom upstairs at the arena. These meetings are open to all so please feel free to join us.

STARSkate: Test Day

We had a very busy, successful test day on February 8th with an awesome 76% pass rate. Thank you to all those who helped to make the day go smoothly for the skaters. Special thanks go to Derra and Scott Dunsmoor for setting up the database. Congratulations to the following on tests passed.

Preliminary Skills: Hayley Barnes, Laura Currie, Jseka Ganeshathasan, Angelique Kapteijn, Madeleine Rose

Junior Bronze Skills: Marlene Dunsmoor

Senior Bronze Skills: Taylor Feasby, Karen Tran

Senior Silver Skills: Jacqueline Rintjema

Preliminary Elements-Part 1: Sarah Brown, Allison Dunlop, Marlene Dunsmoor, Taylor Feasby, Megan Rehbeli, Karlene Stoby, Kennedy Todd, Dana Wright

Preliminary Program Part-2: Andrew Anschuetz, Kylie Bohemier, Eliana Masse, Megan Rehbeli, Shania Wijay

Junior Bronze Elements-Part 1: Shanna Copp

Junior Bronze Program-Part 2: Sarah Dunlop, Emma Jacobs, Jessie To

Senior Bronze Program-Part 2: Ashley Todd

Introductory Interpretive: Sarah Dunlop, Kira Reesor, Jessie To

Bronze Interpretive: Jessie To, Ashley Todd

Dutch Waltz: Danielle Amos, Nicolette Didone, Ernest Chiu, Olivia Hawco, Kylie Hoover, Matthew Olver, Karen Simmons, Tiffany Yong, Julia Taber

Canasta Tango: Victoria Beatty, Victoria Sephton, Michaela Mihailoff, Sara Veltman

Baby Blues: Dana Abdul-Rahman, Victoria Beatty, Melody Dusastre, Chloe Parker, Hannah-May Ricketts, Gillian Stoby

Swing Dance: Alycia Holt, Laura Currie, Madaleine Kwaka, Alicia Rehbeli, Madeleine Rose

Willow Waltz: Hayley Barnes

Ten Fox: Sarah Brown, Marlene Dunsmoor, Megan Rehbeli

European: Darragh Dzisiak

Keats Foxtrot: Emma Jacobs, Taylor Feasby

Tango: Shawna Cargill

Rocker: Emma Machin, Jessie To

Starlight: Emma Rehbeli

Blues: Rebecca Bourgeois, Amy Sutton

Kilian: Rebecca Bourgeois

Argentine Tango: Lucy Lombardo, Christie Todd

Competition Results

Congratulations to **Melissa Carr** who placed 3rd at the Whitby Invitational competition in the Senior Silver Ladies category.

Melissa also entered into the 2011 Figure Skating Boutique STARSkate Championships where she placed 1st in the Senior Silver Women's Free Program with a score of 30.04. Melissa will advance to represent the Central Ontario Section at the 2011 Trillium STARSkate Championships, an all Ontario Event.



Melissa Carr

This is an impressive achievement of which the club is proud. Congratulations Melissa! We wish you the best of luck at the Trillium StarSkate event. If anyone wishes to attend the event it will be held at Tomken Twin Arena, Mississauga, Ontario, March 11-13, 2011.