

COMMUNICATION 056

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2011 Winter Games NZ

100% Pure NZ Winter Games

The NZ Winter Games, being held at Dunedin Ice Stadium, start of Wednesday 10 August with official practices. The competition for Novice, Junior and Senior singles skaters begins on Thursday and concludes on Saturday 13 August. A Gala performance featuring the first three placed skaters in each grade and guest skaters will be held on Sunday 14 August 2:00 – 4:00 pm. The featured skaters of the Gala are 2011 Canadian Senior and 2011 Four Continents Championship Bronze medallists, Paige Lawrence and Rudi Sweigers.

Junior Ladies

Senior Men

Senior Ladies

Kaho Hirafune

Preeya Laud

Madelaine Parker

Jessie Park

Sarah MacGibbon

Cameron Hems

Chris Boyd

Morgan Figgins

Melissa Morris

Millie Campbell

The New Zealand team for the Winter Games is as follows:

Novice Men Thomas Woodbridge
 Novice Ladies Iyryn Quigley

The Team Leaders for the NZ team are Heather McDonald and Kevin Poit.

Best wishes to our team. We know that you will represent NZ proudly!!

Frankfurt Seminar

Congratulations to Aleisha Haslemore who passed her exam for International Synchronized Skating Technical Specialist at the 2011 ISU Frankfurt Seminar. This is a great accomplishment for Aleisha and a fantastic resource for NZ skating!!

Irena Zemanova was invited by the ISU to attend the Young Officials forum at the Frankfurt Seminar. The ISU has recognised the efforts that the NZISA are making on a number of fronts and that we are definitely heading in the right direction in the administration of our sport.

Gold Test Passes

Eerina Watkins (AIFSC) passed her Gold Stroking test at an Auckland test day. Samantha Waugh (CISC) also passed her Gold Stroking test at a test day in Christchurch in early June. Well done to both skaters and good luck for your Gold Star test!



2011 NZ Nationals

Arrangements for the 2011 NZ Nationals in Gore are progressing well. Just a reminder that skaters must have competed in a club or regional competition in order to be eligible to enter Nationals – refer to NZISA Rule 205.1. The only exception to this is for those skaters who are on the international squad and are living and training overseas.

To all competitors entering Nationals, please make sure that you enter your PPC on the NZ website. For Juvenile and Pre Primary, please make sure that you enter your PPC in the Free Skate section and not under Short Program. Entries that do not have a PPC entered will not be accepted. Please refer to NZISA Rule 203.7.

PLANNED PROGRAM CONTENT INFORMATION

At all competitions, competitors in every event to be scored using the IJS must submit for each program their planned program content (PPC) information (including musical selection) no later than two weeks prior to the respective competition. Competitors must complete either the electronic form on the NZISA website or submit a paper copy. Changed PPC sheets must be handed in to the Accreditation desk at the time of registration for the information of the Technical Panel. Entries will not be accepted without a completed PPC, either hard copy or electronic.

If you have any problems entering your PPC online, please attach a hard copy to your entry and the competition accountant will ensure that these are entered. If you make changes to your PPC after your entry has been submitted, please hand in an amended PPC form when you register at the championships.

Code of Ethics Obligations

All skaters, coaches and officials need to read and familiarise themselves with the NZISA Code of Ethics. Please remember that your actions and comments need to be in keeping with the spirit of the Code of Ethics. The old adage of 'treat others the way

you wish to be treated' needs to be kept in mind at all times. A revised Code of Ethics that includes obligations specific to NZISA Coaching members was voted on and passed at the 2011 AGM.

Sports Award

Zara Anthony-Whigham was awarded a sports award at school. She is the first primary school athlete to receive this award. The award recognises the hard work that Zara has put in as well as her achievements at a young age. Congratulations to Zara on her award!

NZ Skaters Overseas

Rohan Kinraid (DISC) took up the invitation by the Malaysian Figure Skating Federation and competed at the Malaysian National Championships at the beginning of April. He competed in the Preliminary Open Mixed grade and placed 6th/10.

Brin Berge (QISC) represented NZ at the Gardena Spring Trophy in Italy in April. Brin placed 17th/21 in the Short Program; 19th/21 in the Free Skate and 19th/21 overall. This was Brin's first international competition and she and her coach looked at this competition as a learning experience for her in competing at this level.

Brin has also been busy organising a fundraising event, along with some helpful friends. This event, Twirling for Tots, was to raise money for paediatric cancer patients. A fantastic effort, Brin!!

Here is the article and photo that appeared in the press in New York.



2010 Russian Champion Ksenia Makarova pose and U.S. national champion and Olympian Johnny Weir watch local area skaters from the tri-state area perform during a charity skating event at the Westchester Skating Academy in Elmsford May 21, 2011. The Twirling for Tots charity figure-skating show benefit raised approximately \$20,000 for the Go4theGoal Foundation, which provides support for pediatric cancer patients. It was organized by local skaters Margot Krisberg of Chappaqua, Elise Garden of Greenwich, Conn. and Brin Berge of New York City.



Adult Skaters in Action

Queenstown skater - Loris Mills competed recently at the Mountain Cup in France & the ISU International Adult Championships in Oberstdorf Germany. In Germany, Loris competed against 9 other skaters in the Silver Free skate and won Gold and 14 other skaters in the Silver Interpretive and won Silver. Well done Loris!!! Loris and her partner,

Graham Dickson, competed in the dance event at Mountain Cup.

Sue Hoseit and Catherine Sansom of the Dunedin ISC competed at the Mountain Cup in France. Sue also competed at the ISU Adult Competition in Oberstdorf, placing 5th in the

Silver Ladies IV event and 6th/13 in the Bronze/Silver Ladies IV Artistic event.

Karl Hewitt of Dunedin ISC competed in the Masters Cup Competition in Melbourne. Karl skated in the Bronze Mens' event and placed 1st. Well done to Karl!!

Winter Sun Competition – Brisbane, Australia

Tracy Danbrook competed in the Primary Ladies event at the Winter Sun Competition in Brisbane in early July. Tracy placed 3rd/13 in the Short Program and 9th/13 in the Free Skate and placed 9th overall. A great effort Tracy!!

NZISA Special General Meeting

Just a reminder that the NZISA Special General Meeting will be held in Christchurch on Sunday 21 August. On the agenda is the new Constitution and the elections for the Board, Development Group and Operations Group. Clubs – please send in your list of delegates to the National Secretary 7 days prior to the meeting.



**Place this meeting
in your diary**