

Communication 058

NEW ZEALAND ICE FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION

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www.nzisa.com

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At the AGM that was held in April the members agreed to the remit which had been put forward by (the then) Council to change the name of the New Zealand Ice Skating Association to the NEW ZEALAND ICE FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION. The members decided that the change was to come into effect after the SGM which was held last Saturday.

The new name and Constitution will be lodged with Incorporated Societies this week. The NZISA is now the NZIFSA and the logo remains the same, it just has the letter "F" added.

The rationale for the change was to reduce the confusion about what the core business of the NZISA is – not within the skating community - but in regards to other National Sporting Organisations (NSO), Charitable trusts that the NZISA and its affiliated Clubs and Sub-Associations apply to for grants as well as the general public.

WELCOME TO THE NEW BOARD, OPERATIONS GROUP AND DEVELOPMENT GROUP

At the SGM held in Christchurch on 21 August 2011 the new Board, Operations Group and Development Group were elected to run the NZIFSA. The positions that were filled are as follows:

Board:

President: Jeanette King

Vice President: Robyn Morris

Members: Dion Cunningham, Keith Darvill and Garry Parker

Operations Group:

CEO: Jan Howie

General Secretary: Liz Alabaster

Treasurer: No nomination was received. Board to appoint

Test and Competition Secretary: Ina Paul

Development Group:

Skating Development Director: No nomination was received. Board to appoint.

Technical Director: Sandra Williamson-Leadley

Officials' Director: Heather McDonald

Coaches' Director: Kevin Poit

A big thank you to Jill Borland, Leanne Hems and Trish Morris for putting their names forward for consideration for the Board. It was great to see that more people were interested than there were positions available.

Please remember that the AGM is only 8 months away and some of the positions are only held until then. Please give some consideration to putting yourself forward for one of these positions. Having to hold a vote to fill these roles is a healthy situation to be in.

LINES OF COMMUNICATION

Due to the change in structure the lines of communication have changed. As you will be aware the President's e-mail address and the secretary's e-mail address have changed to the new positions.

In the immediate future all communications must go to the General Secretary, secretary@nzisa.com whom will forward this on to the correct person to deal with your query.

The only exception to this at the moment is for those wanting to communicate with the Test and Competition Secretary whose email is testsecretary@nzisa.com.

This line of communication is important if you wish to have your query dealt with quickly and efficiently. As usual any matter which you wish to be discussed at Board level is to be with the General Secretary at least 7 days prior to the next Board Meeting which is to be held on 17/18 September 2011.

Areas of Responsibility

Briefly, The Board is responsible for the overall governance of the NZIFSA and for setting the Policies that ensure the smooth running of the Association.

The Operations Group is responsible for seeing that the Board's Policies are followed and that the everyday running of the NZIFSA continues without problems.

The CEO oversees the activities of the NZIFSA Operations Group and Development Group and reports back to the Board.

The General Secretary is the hub of all the groups and the first point of contact. She will ensure that all your queries are handled by the right person and also takes notes at the Board meetings and does any necessary paperwork.

The Treasurer's position will be discussed at the next Board Meeting.

The Test and Competition Secretary will be responsible for all Competitions both in and out of New Zealand. Ina Paul, our Test and Competition Secretary, is also responsible for Test Days, both finding judges, entering the test passes and issuing certificates and medals. Club Test and Competition Secretaries please contact her to

arrange judges for your next Test Day on testsecretary@nzisa.com.

The Development Group sees to the different areas of the NZIFSA. The Technical Director is charged with overseeing the Rules and Regulations and also with making sure that the Announcements etc. for Competitions held in New Zealand are correct. The Official's Director is charged with the development and education of the Official's, making sure the Board is given a list of suggested promotions for their consideration as well putting together a list of team leaders for the Boards consideration and organizing any seminars etc.

The Coaching Director is responsible for the development and education of the coach members of the NZIFSA and arranging seminars etc.

The Skating Development Director's role is to be discussed by the Board at the next meeting.

Please remember that these are only brief descriptions of what each position entails and because it is very new the job descriptions will change as time passes and new situations arise.

Test Passes and Probationary Judges Sheets

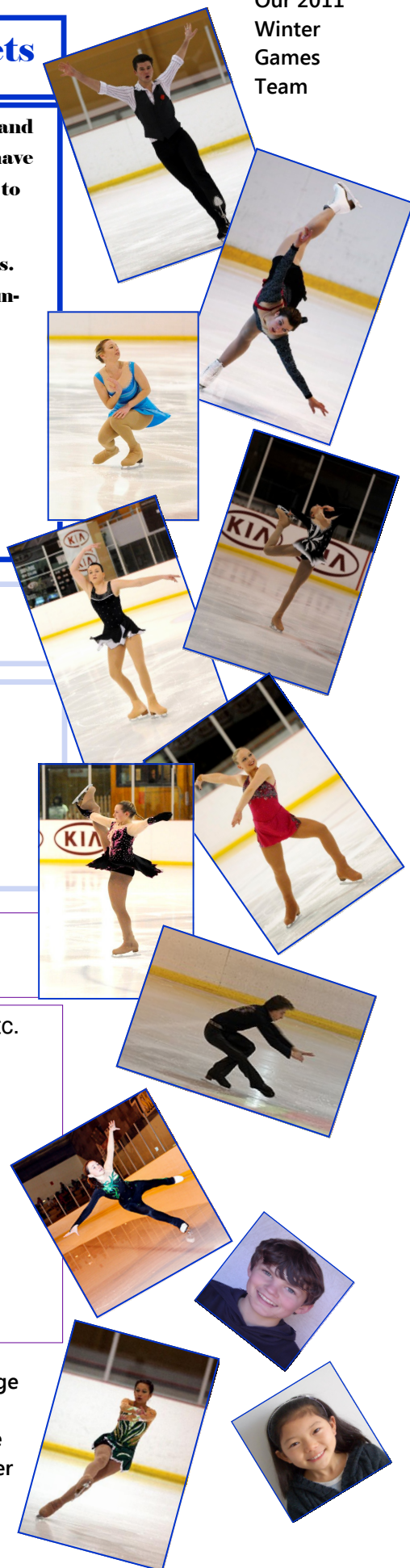
From now on all Test Passes and Fails are to be entered by the National Test and Competition Secretary and not by Club Test and Competition Secretaries as have been done in the past. This is reverting to the situation that was in place prior to Club TC's doing the entering themselves.

Please also forward all Probationary judges Sheets along with your test results. These will be forwarded to the Officials Director by the National Test and Competition Secretary. The address to send these by snail mail is:

The New Zealand Ice Figure Skating Association
PO Box 29024
Fendalton
Christchurch 8540

Otherwise they can be scanned and sent to tcsecretary@nzisa.com.

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NEW ZEALAND COMPETITION ANNOUNCEMENTS

All announcements for any competitions to be held in New Zealand are to be sent to the Technical Director to check at least two months prior to the competition being held. This is to en-

sure that the announcement meets all the requirements and is up to date with all the changes that have occurred.

KIWISKATE ENROLMENTS

To date the NZIFSA have sent out a lot of the new Kiwiskate Booklets but we are not receiving the enrolment forms that must be returned when the passbook is issued.

Please ensure that if you are responsible for Kiwiskate passbooks that you return the enrolment page that is at the back of the book. The NZIFSA is keeping these on a register and they will help with ap-

plying for grants etc.

If your rink is responsible for issuing the passbooks please have a word in the right ear so that we re-



Canadian pairs Paige Lawrence & Rudi Swiegers who were guests at the Winter Games NZ Gala

