



Skaters Pick

STARSKATE / COMPETITIVE —FEBRUARY / MARCH 2011

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NEWS

DATES TO REMEMBER

- Mar 9 & 10, 2011
Test Day—NO SKATING for T1 & up. PreTest Session goes ahead as normal.
- Mar 14—18, 2011
MARCH BREAK—SKATING continues for PreTest & Up
- Mar 12 & 13, Mar 21 onwards
Carnival Practice begins for PreTest & up
- Apr 3, 2011
Skate into Synchro Ends
- Apr 8, 2011
Carnival Dress Rehearsal
- Apr 9 & 10, 2011
Carnival "Monopoly On Ice"
- Apr 11 to Apr 25, 2011
SPRING BREAK— NO SKATING
- Apr 26, 2011
Spring Session begins

TEST DAYS—Mar 9 & 10, 2011

As a reminder to all, Test Fees are due 48 hours prior to Test Day. Test Fee Schedule is posted on the HSC Bulletin Board. Your coach should have provided you with a "test envelope" indicating the skaters' name, and test(s) to be taken.

The Hospitality Fee must be paid by all skaters.

The Out of Club Fee must be paid by all skaters who are not registered with HSC for the 2010—2011 Fall/Winter season.

SPRING 2011 SESSION

Spring 2011 Brochure and Registration is now available. The Spring Session runs from April 26 to June 17, 2011.



ALL skaters must register ONLY for the program that they qualify for at time of registration submission. Please check the Spring 2011 Brochure for more details for session qualifications for T1, T2, T3, & Competitive. For Example: Skater must have 2 of 3 complete Preliminary Tests (complete FreeSkate, Dances or Skills) to register for T2. Skaters who wish to

change sessions after test day can only do so if space available. No double booking will be accepted due to skater volume / No Exceptions.

TAX RECEIPTS

Tax Receipts are available through the Skate Canada Website provided you have the skaters Skate Canada number. If you are unable to login to the Members Only page, or you notice any spelling errors, please come into the office so we can make any necessary changes.

1. Go to : www.hamiltonskating.org
2. Click on the "Links" heading and a drop down box will appear. Click on the "Skate Canada" button.
3. Once in the Skate Canada site go to the far right and choose the "Members Only" heading and click on it.
4. Enter your Login User ID – this is the Number on your Skate Canada membership card.
5. Enter your password – this is your skater's last name.
6. Click on the "login" button
7. Once you have successfully logged in, you will notice a menu on the side. Click on "Personal Profile" and a drop down box will appear. Choose Child Tax Credit Receipt and click on it.
8. A listing of receipts will come up and you can click on "Print" or "Reprint" beside the session you wish to print.

NEWS CONT...

HAMILTON SKATING CLUB WEBSITE SPONSORSHIP

We are looking for Web Page sponsors.

\$100.00 12 Month Sponsorship

\$60.00 6 Month Sponsorship

Please see Brenda in the office if you would like to support the Hamilton Skating Club.

CALLING FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR "FUTURES" COMPETITION BEING HELD AT SIX NATIONS

Hamilton Skating Club is responsible for volunteer runners at the "Futures" competition being held in March at Six Nations as this is a Hallwyt Region competition.

Runners are responsible for taking the data sheets from the judges to the data specialists. This is also an opportunity for high school students to earn their volunteer hours.

Please consider volunteering a few hours of your time—the volunteer sign up sheet has been posted in the hallway.

DENNIS SILVERTHORNE MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL Feb 4—6 Dorchester ON

We had 27 skaters including our Competitive skaters competing.

HSC skaters came home with 3 Gold, 4 Silver and 3 Bronze medals.

Congratulations! Results have been posted on our bulletin board.

HSC is not responsible for any missing / incorrect information from the WOS Results website. If there are any skaters missing or incorrect results, please email the correction required to HSC Publicity at: hamiltonskating.publicity@gmail.com

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WO Boston Pizza STARSkate Championships

Feb 25—27 Fort Erie

Good luck to our skaters competing Feb 25—26 in Boston Pizza. This is a qualifier for the Trillium STARSkate Championships (aka "provincials"). The top 3 in each category will be proceeding to Trillium being held in Mississauga in March.

Futures—East Invitational

Mar 5—6 Six Nations

Good luck to our skaters competing at Futures. For many, this will be their first experience in competition. Remember to have fun and enjoy this experience! Please see our January 2011 newsletter for tips regarding competition preparedness.

Upcoming Competitions

Date	Competition	Location
Feb 25-27	WO Boston Pizza STARSkate Championships	Fort Erie
Mar 5-6	Futures - East Invitational (Hallwint, Niagara, Tri-County)	Six Nations
Mar 11-13	Trillium STARSkate Championships & Trillium Cup *Skate Ontario Event *Qualifier WOS Boston Pizza / Sectionals	Mississauga (COS)
Mar 12-13	Pat Abela / Lyle McPhedran Memorial Invitational	Windsor
May 13-15	Spring Fling Invitational *Closing Date Mar 30th	Paris

CARNIVAL UPDATE**WHEN?** APRIL 9, 2011 6 pm APRIL 10, 2011 2 pm**WHERE?** Dave Andreychuck Mountain Arena and Skating Centre, 25 Hester, Hamilton ON**TICKET PRICING** (Available in advance OR at the door)

\$10.00 Adults
\$ 5.00 Children up to 12 years old
FREE Children under 5 years old

CARNIVAL SPONSORSHIPS

We are looking for Carnival Sponsorships.
Rates are as follows for the Carnival program:

\$25 Business Card \$40 Quarter Page
\$75 Half Page \$125 Full Page

Please contact Tony Simpson if you are interested or
info@hamiltonskating.org.

COSTUMES

Costumes have started being handed out and some of the costumes will be "sew" costumes which means the fabric will be pre-cut and instructions provided. Seamstresses (at a cost) will be available for you to contact to make arrangements if you are unable to sew the costume.

VOLUNTEERS

Thank you for those who have signed up to be Volunteers for the Carnival. This is also an excellent time for those high school students with ties to the HSC community to earn their required volunteer hours for graduation. We still require many more volunteers. Please sign up on the Bulletin Board and check regularly to see if there are any memo's for volunteers in the lobby and/or the bulletin board

CARNIVAL PRACTICE & SCHEDULE

Carnival Practice will start on March 12 & 13, and continue on March 21 through to Carnival Show Days.. *Regular programming continues during March Break for PreTest, T1, etc.. **

A practice schedule has been posted and is available for you to take.

"MONOPOLY ON ICE"**DRESS REHEARSAL—APRIL 8, 2011**

Dress Rehearsal is on Friday April 8, 2011. Skaters are to be at the arena for 5:00 pm and must be signed in upon arrival in the lobby. More details will be made available closer to the date.

We will be having Future Stars Photography coming in to do group and individual skater pictures on Dress Rehearsal Day. Photo Packages will be available for purchase. Further information will be made available prior to the dress rehearsal.

??? WHAT HAPPENS ON THE CARNIVAL SHOW DAYS ???

Skaters are to be dropped off and registered in the main lobby outside the Hamilton Skating Club office. Only the parent who registers the skater will be permitted to pick them up.

The Audience Entrance is the Hester Street Entrance. Parents must walk around to the Hester Street Entrance to enter the arena for the show after dropping off their skater(s).

PRETEST AND T1 SKATERS

Arrangements have been made for PreTest and T1 skaters on 1 of the 2 show dates to watch the other half of the show they are not in (on the other day—they will be in the dressing room during the other half). They will be accompanied by the Dressing Room Volunteers. Skaters must stay with the group and will not be allowed to join their parents in the stands. PreTest and T1 Skaters are part of the finale.

T2, T3, & Competitive SKATERS

T2, T3, and Competitive Skaters are in both halves of the show, they will not be able to watch the show.

SNACKS FOR SKATERS / NO VALUABLES PLEASE

Please send bottled water and snacks with the skaters —preferably nothing that is sticky or staining (due to costumes). It is a long show and the skaters will require drinks and snacks.

Concession Stand / Vending Machine visits are NOT permitted.

Please do not send skater(s) with any valuables (ie. money, video games, mp3 players, cell phones, etc..) -we are not responsible for any lost or missing items.