



Communication 035

New Zealand Ice Skating Association

2008 National Figure Skating Championship

Nationals has come and gone for another year! The overall standard of skating was very good. A huge thank you to Ice Sports Southland and the 2008 Nationals Organising Committee who ensured that the competition ran smoothly and that everyone was well looked after. Thank you also to all of the officials and volunteers who gave up their time to make the 2008 Nationals a success. Your efforts were greatly appreciated!!

Results can be found on the NZISA website under Competitions.

Thank you to the 2008 Organising Committee for arranging a successful banquet as well!

2009 National Figure Skating Championship

The 2009 New Zealand National Figure Skating Championship will be held in Auckland at Paradise Ice Rink in Botany Downs between the 11th to 16th October 2009

Sportsperson of the Year

Clubs put forward nominations for the Sportsperson of the Year Award. The criteria for this award is based on being a positive role model for other skaters, demonstrate a "fair play" attitude/good sportsmanship, providing a positive and tangible contribution to their club and the sport in general and having an active role in the activities offered by the club and/or skate school.

The following nominations were submitted to the assigned sub committee:

- Millie Campbell – Alexandra ISC
- Keryn Haynes – Auckland IFSC
- Nick Kokay – Centaurus ISC
- Morgan Figgins – Dunedin ISC
- Melissa Morris – Ice Sports Southland



The Sportsperson of the Year for 2008 is....

NICK KOKAY

Congratulations Nick!

Thank you to all of the nominees for the work that you have contributed to our sport!!



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Administrator of the Year Award

Clubs also put forward nominations for the Administrator of the Year Award. The criteria for this award is taking on a leadership or integral role in their club/sub association, taking on administrative/organizational roles and performing their duties in a manner that progresses the sport or enhances the functioning of the club/sub-association, being a positive role model for other administrators of our sport and possibly working in a mentoring role within the club-sub association

The following nominations were submitted to the assigned sub committee:

Trish Morris – Alexandra ISC
Grant Howie – Dunedin ISC

Robyn Morris – Ice Sports Southland
John Potgieter – Auckland IFSC
Sue Harries – Auckland IFSC

The Administrator of the Year for 2008 is....

JOHN POTGIETER

Well done John!

Without all the behind the scenes work that these people do, our sport could not run at the club level. Thank you to all the nominees for their hard work!!



Norman Cameron Cup of Excellence

The Auckland IFSC donated a cup as a memorial to Norm Cameron who was very active in ice skating in NZ and served as President of the NZISA. The cup is awarded to the skater who has achieved excellence in skating.



The inaugural recipient for the cup is....

ALLIE ROUT

Allie represented NZ in the Junior Grand Prix series in 2007, qualified for the finals at Junior Worlds in 2008 and placed third in the free skate at the Junior Grand Prix event in Merano, Italy in September 2008.

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS TO THE NZISA

Elvajean and John Harrington were awarded their Life Membership to the NZISA at the 2008 Nationals banquet. Both Elvajean and John have given many years of service to the NZISA and it was wonderful to be able to recognise their contribution to ice skating in New Zealand at Nationals in Gore.



Allchurch Shield

The hotly contested and coveted Allchurch Shield, which is awarded to the club whose skaters gain the most points overall, was awarded to Auckland Ice Figure Skating Club with 95 points!! Congratulations!

The club points for the Allchurch Shield were as follows:

Alexandra ISC – 3 points
Queenstown ISC – 6 points
Canterbury Masters FSC – 13 points
Dunedin ISC – 21 points
Glenburn FSC – 21 points
Ice Sports Southland – 35 points
Centaurus ISC – 58 points
Auckland IFSC – 95 points

In order to wrap up the 2008 Nationals, we ask that any officials who were entitled to claim reimbursement for travel/accommodation expenses submit their forms and receipts to the National Treasurer as soon as possible

Skater Development Tier Levels

The following skaters were named to the Skater Development Tier Levels in accordance with the NZISA Skater Development Policy. Minimum TES points and age requirements needed to be met in order to be named to the development tier levels.

Synchronized Skating

Juvenile - Botany Bladettes
Novice – Botany Blades
Senior – Ice Statix
Senior – Icentric

Talent ID / Age Development Level

Pairs

Juvenile - Kara and Ashley Croudís-Bonniface

Dance

Pre Primary - Anne-Sophie and Dominic Shogimen

Singles

Juvenile

Jessica Zhao	Tamara Hubbers	Keely McGuigan
Kaho Hirafune	Keziah Venter	Emily-Jane Calvo
Preeya Laud	Rachelle Voigt	Kara Croudís-Bonniface
Tracy Danbrook	Kelsi Edwards	Ida Andersson-Svanbrink
Jo-Ann Chin	Veronica Floka	

Pre Primary

Bailey Sutherland
Amelia Prowse
Abbey Miller

Primary

Iyrin Quigley
Mykaila Lewis
Aimee Clement

International Development Tier– Juvenile

Novice

Christina Floka
Sarah McGibbon
Ariel Nadas
Jessie Park
Madeleine Parker
Yuko Tanaka
Ayesha Campbell

Junior

Samantha Waugh
Cameron Hems

Senior

Morgan Figgins
Tristan Thode
Mathieu Wilson

High Performance Tier

Allie Rout

Selections

The following skaters were selected to represent New Zealand in Australia and/or internationally for the 2008/2009 skating season in accordance with the minimum TES points and placing at the 2008 NZ or Australian Nationals as set out in the NZISA Selection Policy. Congratulations to all of the skaters who gained selection!

2009 Australian Nationals

Synchronized Skating

Adult – Spectrum
Novice – Botany Blades
Senior – Icentric; Ice Statix

Pairs

Junior – Morgan Figgins and Grant Howie

Dance

Primary – Crystal Campbell and Nick Kokay
Novice – Rachel Gregory and Shane Speden

Singles

Primary – Iyrin Quigley
Intermediate Ladies – Michaela Voigt; Courtney Bettink
Intermediate Men – Shane Speden
Novice Ladies – Madeleine Parker; Jessie Park
Junior Ladies – Allie Rout; Samantha Waugh
Junior Men – Cameron Hems
Senior Ladies – Allie Rout; Morgan Figgins
Senior Men – Tristan Thode; Mathieu Wilson

International Representatives

AYOF – January 2009, Penrith NSW

Junior Ladies – Allie Rout; Samantha Waugh

Junior Men – Cameron Hems

Four Continents – February 2009, Vancouver CANADA

Ladies – Morgan Figgins

Men – Tristan Thode; Mathieu Wilson; Substitute – Joel Watson

World University Games – February 2009, Harbin CHINA

Tristan Thode

Mathieu Wilson

Junior Worlds – March 2009, Ostrava CZECH REPUBLIC

Ladies – Allie Rout

Men – Cameron Hems

Worlds – March 2009, Los Angeles USA

Men – best placed skater at Four Continents who meets placement requirement

Ladies – Morgan Figgins (if placing requirement met)

World Synchronized Skating Championship – April 2009, Zagreb CROATIA

Team New Zealand

New Zealand Winter Games – August 2009, Dunedin NEW ZEALAND

To be confirmed and announced

Novice Internationals

NOTE: No competitions assigned – skaters able to choose events to compete at and apply through NZISA. A list of possible competitions to enter will be sent to you shortly.

Madeleine Parker

Jessie Park

Ariel Nadas

Sarah MacGibbon

Christina Floka

Ayesha Campbell (until 30.6.09 due to age)

Yuko Tanaka (until 30.6.09 due to age)

Forums at Nationals

Thank you to everyone who took time from their busy schedule at Nationals to participate in the Forums. The main points from the Forums will be up on the Members Forum section of the website next week. Please have a look and submit your comments there. The draft 2009 Rules and Regulation will also be presented there. Please make submissions on these and any further rule amend-

New Zealand National Synchronised Skating Team

Auditions for the proposed NZ National Synchronised Skating Team were held on Monday 29 September at Nationals. Thank you to all of the skaters who took part in the auditions. The sub-committee are currently reviewing the audition DVD and skaters will be advised of the outcome by Wednesday 15 October.

The Council have also appointed the Coach for the NZ National Team. Robi Chalmers from Adelaide, Australia has been appointed as the coach. We thank all of the applicants for the coaching position for their interest in the position.

The Team Manager position will be decided on by 15 October and the successful applicant/s will be advised in the first instance. Other applicants will then be advised of the outcome once we have received confirmation of acceptance from the successful applicant/s.

Amendment Communication 034

It was reported in Communication 034 that Morgan Figgins placed 5th at the 2008 Australian National Championships when she in fact placed 4th. We apologise for this error.

Notes from the last Council Meeting

A lot of the matters discussed at the last Council Meeting have been covered already in this Communication.

New Zealand Winter Games - were discussed and are still on target for August 2009. There are still a lot of decisions to be made and the planning is ongoing.

ISU Development Seminar for Talent ID Skaters - NZISA was asked whether were interested in becoming involved with this Seminar which could include Australia, Hong Kong, Singapore and Malaysia. It could be run in conjunction with the AYOF, with funding assistance from the ISU. Council agreed to participate. More information to come.

Prime Minister's Scholarships - Council has heard nothing from SPARC so far this year about scholarships for athletes, coaches or officials. We will let the skating community know if we hear anything.

Policies - Various policies were discussed. The Child Protection Policy was adopted and can be read on the website. Changes were made to other policies. Draft Policies are available on the website for comment apart from the Athletes Prioritisation Policy which will be sent out soon for comments from Clubs.

We also have a Policy Review Table which will be on the website soon that lets you know when the Policies that we have are being reviewed by Council. Please take note of the dates that submissions have to be in by. Late submissions will not be accepted.

Please remember that this is just a quick note of what was discussed at Council and the full minutes can be read on the website. They are provisional only until ratified at the next meeting.