



Moray Figure Skating Club

MFSC Newsletter Number 3 – September 2016

A lot has happened since the closure of the club over the summer. Preparations are already in place for the forthcoming skating term and events are covered in this newsletter.

WE ARE BACK

The club will restart on Fri 16 September. This will mean Skate UK/Star will recommence at 10:45 am on Saturday 17 Sept and we look forward to seeing all of our skaters and new skaters on that day.

Group 1 & 2 10.45-11.15

Group 3 & 4 11.15-11.45

Group 5 & 6 11.45-12.15

Group 7 & 8 12.15-12.45

Skate Star 12.45-1.15

VOLUNTEERS

We are still desperately short of volunteers to assist with Skate UK/Star on Saturdays. If you (Skate UK/Star/Competitive parents/family) are willing to give up some of your time to help, please give your names to any committee member at the rink.

In addition to assistance during Skate UK/Star, we are also looking for members to sit on the club committee. Anyone interested please speak to Alan Adams or Mike Imlach if interested, remember it is your club.

Christmas Gala

The Christmas Gala will take place on Fri 16 Dec at 6.00 – 8.00 pm and Sat 17 Dec 2.00 – 4.15 pm.

To best prepare for the gala, we will amend skating timings as follows:

Skate UK/Star with effect 29 Oct 15

GROUP LESSONS

Level 1 & 2 1045 - 1105

Level 3 & 4 1105 - 1125

Level 5 & 6 1125 - 1145

Level 7 & 8 1145 - 1205

Bronze, Silver & Gold 1205 - 1225

Rehearsals 1225 – 1315

Competitive Squad

The competitive squad will commence rehearsals with effect from 23 Oct 16 and will replace the Sunday group lessons. The rehearsals will be:

Group 1 – 4 1015 – 1115

Group 5 – 8 1130 – 1230

It is hoped to conduct a full dress rehearsal before the Gala dates, but this is TBC. If the dress rehearsal is confirmed, this will be opened up to groups and institutions to attend at a discounted price.

Skaters will be expected to participate and attend ALL rehearsal sessions.

FREE yes FREE Come Try Skate

BRING A FRIEND

For the second time, we will be holding a 'COME TRY' day. This is a fantastic way of introducing people to the world of figure skating. There is no entrance fee and there will be plenty of helpers to assist those who are not so proficient on the ice.

Saturday 1 October 2016 5:15 – 6:15 pm

Quality skate hire available FREE of charge (limited stock).

COFFEE MORNING

****Helpers urgently required****

We are having a fundraising coffee morning on Saturday 10 September from 9:30 to 11:30 in the North Church Hall, Buckie and we need lots of helpers! If you are available, even for just a short time, we would be very grateful for your support.

We will also be having a homebakes stall at the coffee morning and would appreciate any donations you can give us.

Please price your own items.

Any queries contact
Elaine on 07792 222121 and
Emma on 07764 818615

Aberdeen Skating Competition

Some members of the club will be participating in a National level competition at the Lynx Ice Rink, Aberdeen on Sat 15 and Sun 16 Oct 2016.

We would actively encourage all skaters, regardless of age or ability, to come and see what happens at national level competitions and support our skaters. This is a fantastic opportunity to feel the excitement and anticipation at a venue very close to home soil.

Any questions ask any committee member.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Club Fees

Most clubs operate a system where you pay in advance and we too have reluctantly been forced into taking this action. MFSC is required to pay for the ice in advance and weekly payments do not cover the payment options offered to us. We as a club regardless of how many attend, still have the same bill to pay to Moray Leisure Centre and our coaches.

Therefore with effect from September 2016, it will be a requirement for all skaters to pay their fees in advance. Payment will be per month and fees will be taken at the first session of every month.

Reminder

Club membership fees are required by the end of September. Fees are set at £40 per individual and £60 per family.

Our preferred method of payment is by bank transfer to: MFSC, Bank of Scotland, Sort Code 80-06-66, Account Number 00106474. (Please quote member name as reference.) We also accept online payments, SO, cheque and cash.

BRITISH QUALIFIERS

Two of our competitive skaters, Emily Dale and Ruby Boyd have qualified for the British Championship to be held in Sheffield in Nov/Dec 2016.

Well-done girls.....

Diary Dates

10 September 2016 – 09.30-11.30 am, Coffee Morning, North Church Hall, Buckie

29 October 2016 – Skate UK/Star Christmas Gala rehearsals commence

16 September 2016 – Friday Ice commences

9 November 2016 – Fashion Show, M & Co, Buckie.TTBC

17 September 2016 – Skate UK/Star re-commences

18 November 2016 – Bingo, Bishopmill Hall. TBC

18 September 2016 – Competitive Squad re-commences

29 November - 4 December 2016 – British Championship

1 October 2016 – Come Try Skate

10 Dec 16 – Bonspiel

15-16 October 2016 – Aberdeen Open Competition

15 December 2016 – Christmas Gala Dress Rehearsal. TBC.

23 October 2016 – Competitive Squad Christmas Gala rehearsals commence

16 - 17 December 2016 – Christmas Gala