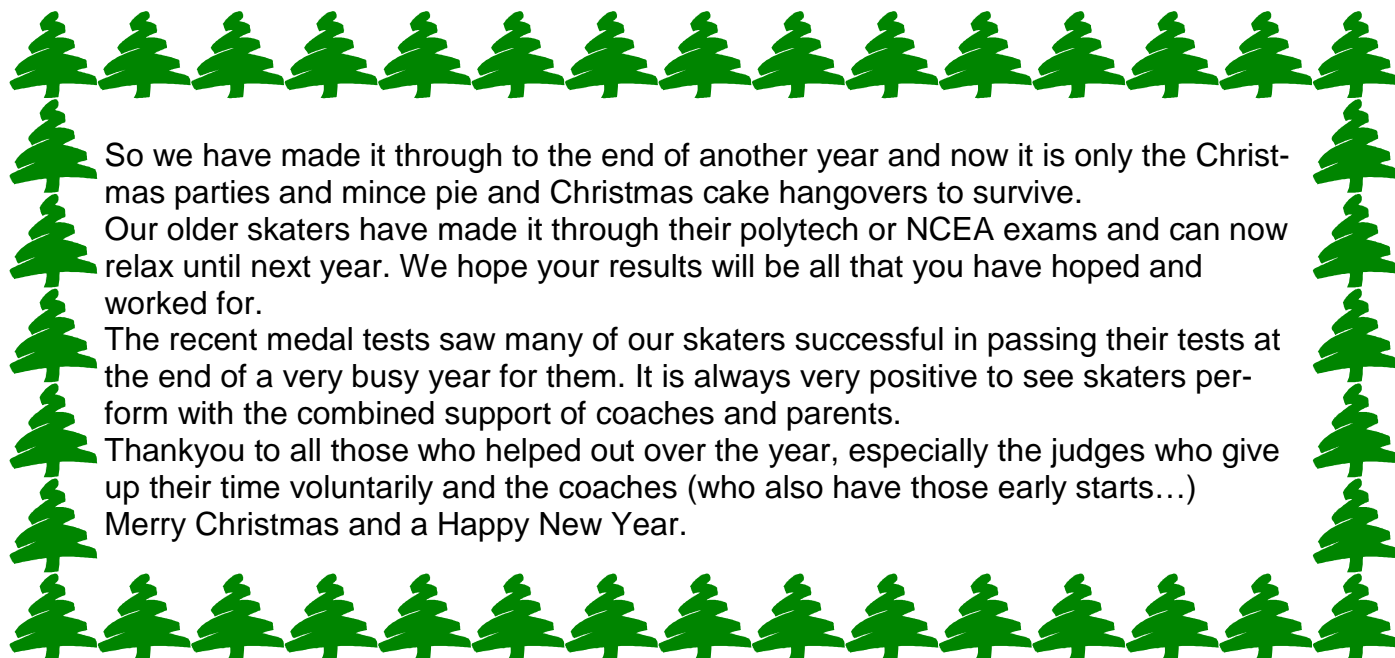


CENTAURUS ICE SKATING CLUB INC.



So we have made it through to the end of another year and now it is only the Christmas parties and mince pie and Christmas cake hangovers to survive.

Our older skaters have made it through their polytech or NCEA exams and can now relax until next year. We hope your results will be all that you have hoped and worked for.


The recent medal tests saw many of our skaters successful in passing their tests at the end of a very busy year for them. It is always very positive to see skaters perform with the combined support of coaches and parents.

Thankyou to all those who helped out over the year, especially the judges who give up their time voluntarily and the coaches (who also have those early starts...)


Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

December Christmas Competition Evening

As advertised this will be on Tuesday December 21st from 6pm to 8pm. There will be performances by several skaters and groups, and spot prizes will be awarded. There will be time afterwards for free skating to be followed by supper. Please bring a plate (with food on it!) for supper.

 **Overheard at the rink**
 Coach : Does it put you off when I yell at you in the middle of a jump?
 Skater : No, but it might if I was listening.

New Members.
 Welcome to the following new members.
 Kimberley Amiot
 Garry Parker
 Michael Parker

 **Happy Birthday**
 To these club members
 Anna de Vries
 Josie Randall
 Richard Kam

REGISTRATION DAY—JANUARY 2005

And now looking forward to the start of skating next year, the club will run a registration day on Sunday 23 January at the rink from 10am until 12 pm. You will be able to pay your membership fees and TC registrations and there is also a public session on at the same time if you want to have a skate. So keep this date free and we hope to see you there.

Dates for 2005; South Island Champs at Dunedin from 12– 14 August

Nationals at Dunedin from 25th to 30th September

Skating taken to Ladakh!

Jill Borland, a member of our club and a past coach of several of our skaters is heading to Ladakh , to the north of India , to encourage the development of ice skating and ice hockey there. If you watched Michael Palin's Himalayan trip on TV recently you will have some idea where Ladakh is.

As skates are hard to come by in this part of the world , Jill is keen to receive donations of unwanted skates, hockey gear , skating dresses and so on to take with her as a donation. A donation towards shipping costs would also be appreciated and if you can assist Jill with this, her contact address is theupshot@paradise.net.nz or phone/fax 337-1426.

They will be skating on frozen outdoor waterways at temperatures below zero and we wish them well in this endeavour. She will be leaving on December 26th.

TEST RESULTS

15 Oct 04

Preliminary Figures

Mari Tanaka

Elementary Stroking

Alex Cam

Preliminary Stroking

Anna de Vries

InterBronze Stroking

Amy Button

InterBronze Dance (10 fox solo)

Amy Button

Preliminary Freeskate

Mari Tanaka

Anna de Vries

Elementary Freeskate

Hayden Maxwell

Alex Kam

InterSilver Freeskate

Juliette O'Neill

27 Nov 04

InterBronze Figures

Mari Tanaka

Elementary Stroking

Hayden Maxwell

Maelaine Parker

Preliminary Stroking

Jonathon Rudd

Jacqui deVries

InterBronze Stroking

Chelsea Richdale

Suzayre Burke

Samantha Waugh

Bronze Stroking

Annika Matravers

Joanne Snelling

Silver Stroking

Elizabeth O'Neill

InterGold Stroking

Iain Pollock

Elementary Freeskate

Madelaine Parker

Preliminary Freeskate

Kanako Johnson

Jacqui deVries

Reane Macaulay

Jonathon Rudd

InterBronze Freeskate

Mari Tanaka

Kanako Johnson

Samantha Waugh

Silver Freeskate

Elizabeth O'Neill

Laura Mills

Iain Pollock

Correction from the last newsletter

Laura Miles has been nominated for selection for the Australian Nationals and not selected as announced in the last issue of the newsletter. Selections will be finalised at some time next year. Apologies for this error.

Centaurus AGM

This was held at the rink on Tuesday November 30th and was very well attended, by skaters as well as parents. The following were elected as the committee for 2005

President : Eric Apperley

Vice-President : Jeanne Begej

Secretary : Ina Paul

Assistant Secretary : Dorothy Brown

Treasurer : Trina Waugh

Club Captain : Caitlyn Paul

Committee ;Kimberley Amiot, Megan Cairns, Cathryn O'Neill, Jill Richdale,

Thanks to these outgoing committee members for their hard work over several years, : Sue Scoringe, Kim Garner, Keeley Jamieson, and Lyn de Vries. They have all made a valuable contribution to the smooth and efficient running of club affairs and thank you for this.

Silver Torque Talk

Silver Torque has two new members, Anna de Vries and Reane McCauley who are now part of the team practicing an artistic program for the club fun competition evening on December 21st.

There are still spaces for other skaters and if you are interested please contact Jill Richdale (ph 326-5506) or Judith Snelling (ph- 980-8190). Practices are on Tuesday evening for off-ice and Wednesday morning on ice.

Congratulations

To Nick Apperley who won the Disabled Sportsman category in the recent Canterbury Winter Sports Awards. Nick is currently practising hard for the upcoming Special Winter Olympics in Japan next February.

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