

CENTAURUS ICE SKATING CLUB INC.

Club Championships 2005

The weekend of July 16/17 was one of the more notable weekends this year for our skaters. On Saturday there was the excitement of the next Harry Potter book release but this was eclipsed on Sunday by the club champs.

This event ran smoothly thanks to all those who helped. Special mention to Jeff and Ryan Cairns who helped with setting up and taking down the judges stand, also to Ross Richdale and Gordon Waugh. Meantime those in the music booth had to cope with the temperamental CD player which played or not depending on its mood. Luckily the team of Harry Sweeney, Joy Street and Evelyn Brown were able to manage most of the delays with good humour and covered well. Daniel O'Neill, Ryan Cairns, Gill Boyd, Joanne Ballinger and Noel Street helped with the administration. Thank you all for your input, the club could not run this without you.

And last but not least, thanks to the judges who sit in the cold for long periods to watch the performances to award the marks. We'll do it all again next year, and hope that even more of you will be inspired help run the event!

Nationals Entries

Reminder to all those intending to enter for Nationals that entries must be handed in and fees paid to the club secretary by 15th August. In case it snows, get your entry in before you leave for Dunedin. You have been warned!

Good Luck

To Laura Mills who heads off into the west after South Island Champs as the only Centaurus skater selected to skate in the Australian Nationals. This year Aussie Nationals are in Perth so the Mills family will be enjoying some sun and warm temperatures.

We wish Laura the best of luck and that she has a good skate.

Blades Wanted

10 ¾" blades wanted by Kim Gormack phone 326-6039. If you are not familiar with sizing for blades this would be about the size for a size 9 boot.

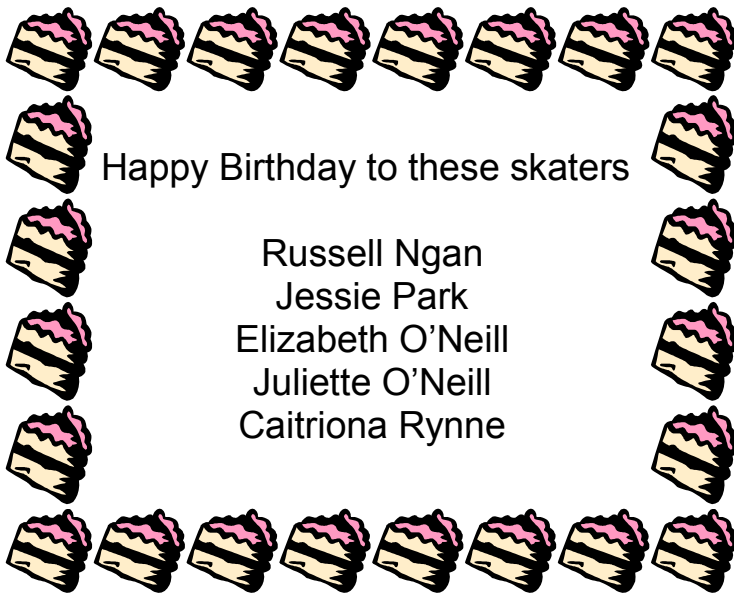
Test Passes

Congratulations to the following skaters who passed tests recently

Nick Kokay	Inter-bronze freeskate
Kanako Johnson	Bronze Masters freeskate
Anna Douglas	Preliminary Masters freeskate

A Thought for the Future

If global warming continues will ice skaters melt into synchronised swimmers??



Happy Birthday to these skaters

Russell Ngan
 Jessie Park
 Elizabeth O'Neill
 Juliette O'Neill
 Caitriona Rynne

New Members

Welcome to the following skaters.
 We hope you enjoy your time in
 the club.

Michaela Claridge
 Abbey Miller
 Jessica Preston-Bowen
 Lillian Preston-Bowen
 Nicole Rogers
 Caitriona Rynne

South Island Competition

We are now looking forward to this competition to be held in Dunedin from the 12th to the 14th. This is one of the biggest competitions that our skaters attend with clubs from Gore, Alexandra, Queenstown and Dunedin all challenging for the most points overall for their club.

You should be ready to follow any directions given to you by officials. There will not be a lot of time to spare so make sure you arrive at the rink leaving plenty of time for your warm up.

Be polite and courteous to other skaters and do not criticise other skaters or judging decisions. Applause for Centaurus skaters can be as loud as you like! The new club tracksuits should be ready for those who ordered them. You should be wearing them at the rink (even though they are also Otago colours) and over your costume for presentations. At the presentation ceremony, once you have received your award please wait quietly for others to get theirs. So good luck for a good competition.

The schedule is not finalised yet, but the first practise begins at 7.00 a.m. Friday 12th August.

Trina Waugh will be the team leader for Centaurus for this competition. If you have any problems during the competition she can be contacted by mobile ph 027-4055484.

Old Members

Or should I say ex-members were seen at the club champs this year. As well as those who are now judges. Richard Clark, Kurt Scoringe and Josie Randall also came to watch and catch up with some of their contemporaries.

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**Summary of Results from the 2005 Centaurus Club Championships.
(Taken from the club website)**

Kiwiskate Beginner.

Entrants – Michaela Claridge, Jessica Preston-Bowen, Lillian Preston-Bowen.

Kiwiskate Level 1.

Entrants – Nicole Rogers, Caitriona Rynne.

Kiwiskate Level 2.

Entrants – Rebecca Malone, Abbey Miller, Lara Snelling.

Pre-Elementary Ladies.

1. Brittany Bensemman

Pre-Elementary Pairs.

1. Mykaila Lewis and Jonathon Rudd

Elementary Ladies.

1. Ayesha Campbell

Elementary Men.

1. Hayden Maxwell

Juvenile Ladies.

1. Jessie Park
2. Chelsea Richdale
3. Jacqui De Vries

Juvenile Men.

1. Alex Kam
2. Richard Kam
3. Jonathon Rudd

Pre-Primary Ladies.

1. Samantha Waugh
2. Sarah Garner
3. Annika Matravers

Pre-Primary Men.

1. Chris Boyd
2. Nick Kokay

Intermediate Ladies.

1. Alanna Pollock
2. Anna Cairns

Novice Ladies.

1. Laura Mills
2. Caitlyn Paul
3. Juliette O'Neill

Novice Men.

1. Nick Apperley
2. Iain Pollock

Junior Ladies.

1. Elizabeth O'Neill

Synchronised Open.

1. Silver Torque

Masters Silver.

1. Jan Christieson

Masters Platinum.

1. Kanako Johnson

Special Olympics Level 3.

1. Breandon Malone

Special Olympics Level 4.

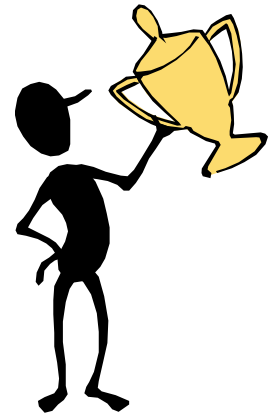
1. Ben Southern

Overall Awards.

Most Improved Skater –

Juliette O'Neill.

Most Promising Skater – Alex Kam.



It was great to see such keen competition in PrePrimary and Juvenile Grades this year. We hope to encourage more junior level skaters into the sport to build up the starting grades in future.

The full results are on the club website as are some photos of the event including the presentations.



You can never have too much of a good thing. After Queen's Birthday weekend here, what better place to go than the East Coast of the West Island and enjoy the same holiday all over again a week later—three of our skaters did just that and here is the report to prove it!



HOLLINS TROPHY REPORT from Caitlyn Paul



In June Juliette, Elizabeth and I went to Sydney and compete at the Hollins Trophy. This year no other skaters from Centaurus went and the only other New Zealander competing was Mathieu Wilson from Auckland. Juliette competed in the Intermediate Ladies grade with 12 other competitors, Elizabeth and I took on 15 other girls in Novice Ladies, and Mathieu competed in the Junior Men grade.



We arrived in the early hours of Thursday allowing time to get use to the time change and environment. Juliette was first up to skate with her technical program Saturday afternoon, and then had a day rest before the freeskate on the Monday. Juliette didn't skate her best for her short and placed 9th, but on Monday she turned it around by skating a very strong free skate program and placed a impressive 4th after the free skate, pulling herself up to 5th position overall. Next to skate was Elizabeth and myself in the novice ladies technical program on the Sunday afternoon, Elizabeth skated a stronger free skate compared with her technical and managed to pull herself up into 10th position after finishing 13th after the technical. I skated a stronger technical finishing 7th after the short; unfortunately I dropped one place after the free skate to finish up in 8th position.



Overall the trip was a really good success with good results gained for such an early competition in the season, we all learnt heaps and enjoyed our time over in Sydney! Hopefully next year we can get a bigger team over to show the Australians how good the kiwis really are!



Silver Torque Report.

We saw them at the club champs with their new program the Matrix. This featured a dramatic start (which we got to see twice due to the music delay) , superb costumes (borrowed from the Synergy team from Brisbane) and a neat and tidy performance overall. They are a credit to the club, to coach Ann Campbell and themselves.

Although Centaurus had a synchro team competing last year only 5 skaters remained from this team so this year has largely been one of rebuilding. They have been practicing at on ice sessions on Wednesday mornings and at off ice sessions on Tuesday night.

Their short program is also new this year and features brightly coloured costumes to the theme of George of the Jungle.

Team members are Sophie Dawson, Ciara Zack, Joanne Snelling, Chelsea Richdale, Reane McCauley, Anna Douglas, Juliette O'Neill, Kanako Johnson, Crystal Campbell and Jacqui de Vries.

New members are always welcome.

We wish them the best for South Islands and look forward to seeing their programs again.