

CENTAURUS ICE SKATING CLUB INC.

AUTUMN CHALLENGE

Congratulations to Charmelle Dorn—Overall Winner of the Autumn Challenge

This was the first competition for the season, and for many new skaters, their first competition ever! It was great to see so many new faces. It was a typical first-up event, nervous newcomers, bewildered parents, rusty veterans, and exasperated coaches. However, amid the confusion, there were some pretty happy faces when the results were announced. This competition is one where the typical elements of a competitive skating programme are broken into separate events, e.g. spins, footwork, stroking etc, as well as the usual technical/freeskate programmes.

Below is a summary of results from the Technical/Freeskate programmes. A full list of results is available on the club web site.

Pre Elementary (9-)

- 1st Jacquelyn de Vries
- 2nd Samantha Waugh
- 3rd Jessie Park

Pre Elementary (10+)

- 1st Kimberley Penrose
- 2nd Reane McCauley

Elementary

- 1st Anna de Vries
- 2nd Chelsea Richdale

Juvenile (11-)

- 1st Sarah Garner

Juvenile (12+)

- 1st Charmelle Dorn
- 2nd Joanne Snelling
- 3rd Nicholas Kokay

Pre Primary (14-)

- 1st Juliette O'Neill

Pre Primary (15+)

- 1st Josie Randall

Primary

- 1st Elizabeth O'Neill
- 2nd Anna Cairns
- 3rd Caitlyn Paul

Novice

- 1st Laura Mills

Overall Placings: 1st Charmelle Dorn 2nd Jacquelyn de Vries 3rd= Samantha Waugh/Kimberley Penrose



MEDAL TEST RESULTS

10 April

Level	Stroking	Freeskate	Dance
Elementary	Michelle Whelan Jacquelyn de Vries Samantha Waugh		
Preliminary	Michelle Whelan	Sophie Dawson	
Inter Bronze			Anna Cairns (Tenfox, Fiesta Tango, Swing Dance)
Inter Silver	Anna Cairns		
Silver			Charlotte Dawson (Tango)

NEWS

NEW MEMBERS

Welcome the following new members to the Club - Charlotte Rudd, Rohan Rudd, Madeleine Weir, Tayla Beck, Hayden Maxwell, Jinny Kam, Alex Kam, Richard Kam, Michelle Whelan, Ciara Zack, and Emily Horwell.

FUNDRAISING RESULTS



We have been fortunate to receive two grants so far this year. The Scottwood Group provided \$1500 to help pay for the Centaurus 50th Reunion, and ice time cost for tests. \$4155 was received from the NZ Community Trust which will be used for holiday ice during the July/September school holidays.

SKATING BOOKS

Thanks to one of our judges, Jeanne Begej, the club now has a number of skating books available for loan. A full list of titles is available on the web site. The books are stored in the Trophy Cabinet at the rink—please ask a committee member if you wish to borrow a book. Don't forget, we also have a large number of skating videos for hire.

RETURN OF TROPHIES

If you have a trophy from last year's Club Championships, please return it to the rink (polished and engraved) by 21st June.



GOOD LUCK

Good luck to Elizabeth and Juliette O'Neill who will be competing at the Macquarie Artistic Competition in Sydney in early May. Looking forward to some great results.



Also our best wishes to Anna Cairns, Laura Mills, Nicholas Apperley, and Elizabeth & Juliette O'Neill, who will be competing for a second year at the Hollins Trophy in Sydney at the beginning of June.

NEWS

CLUB WEB SITE (www.centaurusice.bizland.com)

Our club web site has had a complete overhaul. Have a look around it—let us know your likes/dislikes—is it easy to navigate around? Do you want more photos? Any new sections you would like added? etc. etc. One new feature is a Forum where you can discuss skating issues with other skating fans.

NZISA

The NZISA held their annual general meeting over the weekend of 5th & 6th April. Check out their website—www.nzisa.com for the latest news from this meeting (Communication 012).

Two new postings on this website are - **National Championship** Announcement/Entry Forms and the latest updates to the **Rules and Regulations**.

FOR SALE

Over the boot tights—Mondor, Size—Tall—\$40
Boot laces (thin), white or black \$4
Keely Jamieson—377 3977, or Sue Scoringe—383 1785

Boot covers (white) \$6.00
WIFA Ladies boots with blades, Size 3, \$150 ono
WIFA Ladies boots with blades, Size 6, \$200 ono
Kim Garner—388 8377

COMPETITION CALENDAR

MIRA Artistic Comp.	Sydney	5— 7 May
Afriskate Cup	Cape Town	5— 8 May
Hollins Trophy	Sydney	6— 9 June
Wintersun Trophy	Brisbane	9—12 July
Auckland Club Champs	Auckland	12—13 July
Centaurus Club Champs	ChCh	19 July
Glenburn Club Champs	Auckland	20—21 July
South Island Champs	ChCh	24—25 August
North Island Champs	Auckland	7—8 Sept.
New Zealand Nationals	Auckland	6—9 Oct.

BIRTHDAY WISHES FOR MAY to

Charlotte Dawson, Caitlyn Paul, Jonathon Rudd, Alex Kam, Christopher Body, Matthew Weir.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS—RESULTS

Ladies

1st	Michelle Kwan	USA
2nd	Elena Sokolova	Rus
3rd	Fumie Suguri	Jpn

Pairs

1st	Shen/Zhao	Chn
2nd	Totmianina/Marinin	Rus
3rd	Petrova/Tikhonov	Rus

Men

1st	Evgeni Plushenko	Rus
2nd	Timothy Goebel	USA
3rd	Takeshi Honda	Jpn

Dance

1st	Bourne/Kraatz	Can
2nd	Lobacheva/Averbukh	Rus
3rd	Denkova/Staviyski	Bul

Charmelle Dorn

Age: 13 years old

School: Hornby High

Fav Colour: Pink

Hobbies: Shopping!

Favourite Skater: Michelle Kwan

Charmelle has only been part of the Centaurus Ice skating club for just under a year, after moving to New Zealand from Australia early last year. She skated in Australia for 4 years before coming to Christchurch. Charmelle first got into skating after seeing one of her cousins on video skating, and decided she wanted to give figure skating a go.

Charmelle has had a lot of success since she's been skating in Christchurch, including winning the title of overall Artistic and Autumn Challenge champion and also becoming the South Island Champion for 2002 in the Juvenile grade (over 12). Taking the title of South Island Champ has been one of Charmelle's highest points in her skating, but every skater has their embarrassing moments. Charmelle's happened during a competition when she fell while going to her starting position before the music had even started, though she got it out of her system then, and carried out a good skate during her actual program!

Charmelle has brought style and flair with her from Australia, and hopes to continue being as successful over the next few years as she has been in her first year in Christchurch!



ICE ON FIRE SYNCHRONISED SKATING REPORT

2003 World Synchronized Skating Championships

The 2003 World Synchronized Skating Championships drew large crowds to Ottawa, Ontario, Canada during the first week of April. Despite a late spring snowstorm, the arena was packed as 23 teams competed for the gold in skating's newest discipline. The snow even provided an unexpected treat for the teams from South Africa and Australia, whose members delighted in making snow angels and having snowball fights. The Scandinavian countries of Sweden and Finland have dominated synchronized skating with Finland winning last year and Sweden the two previous years. But host Canada fielded two strong teams this year and hoped for a gold on home ice

Overall, Sweden 1 finished first, Finland 1 second and Canada 1 third. Finland 2 was fourth, followed by USA 1 and Germany.

Ice On Fire welcomes back our choreographer Marie McLeod after her 12 month OE. It's great to have you back Marie. Keely has been assisting Chris for the last year while Marie was away and has been invaluable to the team – we couldn't have managed without her, Thanks Keely, we look forward to your continued help.

It's also great to have new faces in our team this year, synchro is one of the fastest growing sports internationally and with the new team members we can keep the sport growing and active in New Zealand as well