



UPPER HUTT ROLLERSKATING CLUB

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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR OCEANIA SKATERS



The Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club now boasts six Oceania Champions after the 2012 Oceania Roller Sports Championships held at the Trusts Arena, Waitakere, Auckland in April. **Jordan Bougen** (photo top right) who was selected to represent NZ for the first time this year did extremely well winning the gold medal and Oceania title in Cadet International Solo Dance, silver in Cadet International Figures and silver with the Mini Precision team Koru Toa. What an achievement



for first time at this level. Well done Jordan. **Kyra Thomson** (middle right) was one of only two skaters from any country to win two Oceania titles. She won Youth International Freeskating and Youth International Figures and placed 4th in Junior International Solo Dance. This is the second year she has won two Oceania titles – this year they were an age grade up – so well done also to Kyra.

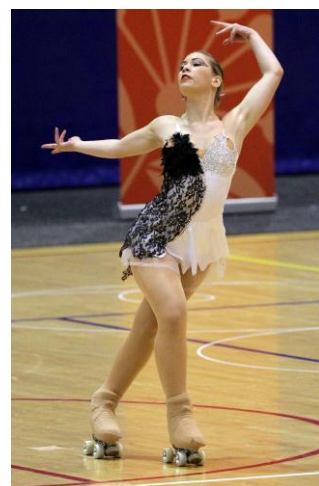


Sarah Jane Jones (top left) won gold and the Oceania title in Senior International Ladies Solo Dance. Not only did she win gold she also earned the prestige of having scored some of the top marks of the week-long event – she actually scored a 9. Well done SJ. **Emma Patrick** (bottom right) retained her Senior International Ladies Figures title



she won for the first time last year, as well as taking bronze in Senior International Ladies Freeskating.

Wil Cooper (middle left) won the Senior International Men's Solo Dance event and **Jack Patrick** (bottom left) took the title in the Junior International Men's Figures event. Others to medal were **Paula Boulcott** who won silver in the Masters International Figures event with her personal best performance and also placed 6th in Masters International Solo Dance and **Emma Hazelwood** took silver in the Junior International Solo Dance event with high marks from all judges as well as an 8th place in Junior International Ladies Figures. All 13 of Upper Hutt's club members skated well – congratulations to **Alan Thomson** (4th Masters International Men's Figures), **Terriann Randle** (5th Cadet International Solo



Dance, 6th Cadet International Ladies Figures), **Grace Cooper** (7th Youth International Solo Dance, 2nd as a member of Koru Toa), **Tanja DeWilde** (9th Junior International Solo Dance) and **Kirsten Foley** (2nd as a member of Koru Toa) Club member Chris Hazelwood travelled with the team as an assistant team manager. Several more of our members were involved as officials. We are proud of all our skaters' achievements and proud that we have other members stepping up as officials. Great job everyone.

AGM: The club AGM will be held on **Tuesday May 8 at 6.30pm**. We ask all members to attend this meeting. It is anticipated it will last for around one hour. There is to be no skating at all during this time.

COACHES PLEASE NOTE YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO COACH FROM 6.30 - 7.30 pm approx.

Anyone wanting a remit considered at the meeting must make sure it is in the hands of club secretary Fiona Patrick by April 29. Nominations for the position of committee member close with the secretary on May 6. Nomination forms will be available closer to the time.

PUNK ROCK NITE DISCO: Our next night disco is on **Saturday May 12 from 7.00 – 9.00 pm**. The theme is Punk Rock so let your imagination go wild and design the best costume ever. These events are the most fun when they are well attended to so please encourage your friends and family to come along. There will again be prizes for the best dressed club member and best dressed non club member. **Entry for Club members only is \$5**

FEBRUARY AND MARCH PATCH PASSES: Patch Class skaters have been busy and many have passed tests already this year – well done to you all. Passes for February and March are:- Patch 1 **Georgina Dodge, Casey Norden, Nicole Richmond, Lena Busch, Emilie Boeke**. Patch 2 **Cassie Singleton, Reuben Johnson, Catherine Jamieson**. Patch 3 **Jade Bennett, Lucy Behrent, Reuben Johnson**. Patch 4 **Jade Bennett, Katie Hawley, Tracey Behrent, Tiana Fisk, Olivia Munro, Paige Pember, Natalie Ingram, Summer Hicks**. Congratulations to you all.

MEDAL TEST PASSES: **FIGURE 1** Samantha Alexander, Olivia Munro-Tupangaia, Jade Bennett, Wayne Greer, Janine Belser **FIGURE 2** Katie Hawley, Samantha Alexander **FREESKATING 1** Katie Hawley, Summer Hicks, Samantha Alexander, Tylah-Anne Charles, Jade Bennett **SOLO DANCE 1** Natalie Ingram, Samantha Alexander **PRECISION 1** Shania Freemantle **PRECISION 2** Shania Freemantle, William Cooper. These will be presented on **Tuesday 8th May** at about 6.20 pm just before the AGM.

LOCAL LOWER MEDAL TESTS: The club will be running medal tests at the club rink on **Tuesday July 3** (*PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER*) between 5.30 and 6.30pm. If there are too many test for the 3rd the rest will be done on Tuesday July 10. These will be for medals 1 and 2 Figures, Freeskating and Dance only (no Precision). Anyone interested in sitting these medals should discuss it with their coach so planning can be made now. Entry forms will be on the noticeboard soon.

HIGHER MEDAL TESTS: Higher medal tests (above medal 2 in Figures Freeskating and Dance and all Precision tests) will be held at Jubilee Stadium in Wanganui on **June 16 and 17** and Pascal Street Stadium Palmerston North on **August 4 and 5**. Skaters are reminded that anyone wanting to qualify for Worlds 2012 or Oceania's 2013 must have the appropriate medal at the time nominations close so this test timing will be useful for those needing medals to nominate. Entry form is on notice board

PLEASE RETURN CHOCOLATE AND LOLLY MONEY: Thanks to all who have been selling chocolates and lollies to help club fundraising – we appreciate your efforts. Please can money be returned as quickly as possible as our treasurer needs to get the accounts tidied up. For a box of chocolates you will need to return \$60 and for a box of lollies it's \$54.

DEVELOPMENT SQUAD UPPER HUTT: The artistic committee will be running a development squad in Upper Hutt on Saturday and Sunday **June 9 and 10**. The squad will be held at Riverstone Recreation on Saturday and the rink on Sunday. This is a great opportunity for our non-international skaters to learn Figures, Freeskating, Dance and Precision from some of NZ's top coaches while enjoying mixing with skaters from other clubs. Registration will be available soon. If you think you would be interested in attending discuss it with your coach.

RIVERSTONE RECREATION USE JUNE 10: Because the squad is using the rink on the Sunday before higher medal tests, the club will cover the cost of training at Riverstone Recreation on Sunday till 1.00 pm only for full card holders or those on a part card with Sunday as their day. A sign-up sheet will be on the notice board soon. Once we know the interest in using this time a timetable will be worked out.

GRAEME SHEPPHARD CHALLENGE: GSC will be the qualifying competition for selection for the 2012 World Championships. This competition will be held in Wanganui from **July 13 - 15**. More details later. Skaters wanting to put their names forward for selection for World Championships must have the appropriate medal qualification at the closing of nominations.

OCEANIA SELECTION COMPETITION: Because of the change in timing of our artistic calendar, this year a special Oceania selection competition will be run. It will be held in Jubilee Stadium Wanganui from **August 24 to 26**. It will be for Oceania grades only. More information will be sent out and posted on the board once we are notified.

SUNDAY RINK USE: Rimutaka Inline Hockey Club will be using the rink **Sunday May 20 RIHC using 11.00 am – 5.00 pm**. Coaches/Skaters please remember to check the calendar for times RIHC will be using.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS EARLY BIRD TICKETS: Early bird tickets are now available for World Championships being held in Auckland this October (during the school holidays).

Visit <http://www.ticketdirect.co.nz> Under Search events enter skating for more information and to purchase. An early bird season ticket is \$260 or \$200 for a concession season ticket (65+ years or 5-15 years) Early bird prices are only available until June 30th 2012. After that full rates will apply. From July 1 these are - Season ticket \$300, Season Ticket Concession \$230, Day ticket \$30, Day Ticket Concession \$20, Opening Night \$40, Opening Night Concession \$30, Group ticket (10 people) \$270, Children Under 5 Free.

WELLINGTON ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS 2012 – PLEASE SELL THEM TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

We are again selling the popular Wellington Entertainment Book. Anyone who has one will know how great they are for saving money not only on meals but also on movies, takeaways, accommodation, DVD hire, dry-cleaning etc. This year's books again contain hundreds of vouchers for 25 per cent off, 50 per cent off or buy one get one free. Businesses include - Burger King, McDonalds, Dominos, Kapai, Butlers Chocolate Café, Jamaica Blue, Event Cinemas, Wellington Zoo, Zealandia, Wagamama, Fig Tree and much more. The cost is \$60 with **the club member who sells the book getting \$12 per book credited towards their skating expenses. The more books you sell the more you make.** This is a great way to help pay your skating expenses. The system is that you take the orders and payments from your friends, family and work colleagues and then let Mary-Anne Thomson know how many books you require and she will order them for you. You make payment to the club in your name for that number of books and payment will be receipted in your name for that number. Then \$12 per book will be credited to your skating club invoice – this can be used to offset your rink fees. Mary-Anne has fliers available if you want to distribute them door to door, at work or wherever. If you buy a book for yourself, you will pay \$60 but \$12 will be credited to your rink fees. Start selling straight away. You can make one order as soon as you have payments, and then if you sell more make another – that's no problem.

UPPER HUTT OPEN COMPETITION: The Upper Hutt Open Competition, which is one of the highlights on the local club calendar, will be held on June 30/July 1. This will include all National schedule grades as well as some beginner grades. All competitive skaters should mark this in their diary and plan on competing. More details later. Entry form will be on notice board shortly

CENTRAL DISTRICTS ROLLER SKATING LEAGUE RESULTS: Saturday 28th April

2012 Palmerston North FIGURES Classic Michelle Crosby 1st Esquire Wayne Greer 2nd Janine Belser 3rd
Preliminary Zoe Greer 1st *Novice* Samantha Alexander 1st Emma Greer 2nd Tracey Behrent 3rd *Primary* Katie Hawley 1st Natalie Ingram 2nd *League Beginner* Olivia Munro-Tupangaia 1st *League 1st Time/Tiny Tots/Primary* Jade Bennett 1st Tylah-Anne Charles 2nd Catherine Jamieson 3rd **FREESKATING Preliminary** Emily Walford 1st Zoe Greer 2nd *Elementary* Emma Greer 1st *Novice* Samantha Alexander 1st Tracey Behrent 2nd Summer Hicks 3rd *League Juvenile/Elementary* Olivia Munro-Tupangaia 1st Jade Bennett 5th *Primary* Katie Hawley 1st Natalie Ingram 2nd Tylah-Anne Charles 3rd Kotuku Ruki 4th *League Tiny Tots/Primary* Jessica Pitirio 1st **SOLO DANCE Esquire** Janine Belser 1st *Preliminary* Zoe Greer 1st *Elementary* Emma Greer 1st Samantha Alexander 2nd *Primary* Natalie Ingram 1st *League Open* Emily Walford 1st *League Beginners* Jade Bennett 1st Olivia Munro-Tupangaia 2nd Catherine Jamieson 6th **CREATIVE PAIRS** Tracey Behrent & Summer Hicks 1st

MEETINGS AND COMPETITIONS AND MEDAL TESTS

Please Note: Dates/Venues may be subject to alteration. Please check with event management.

May 8	Upper Hutt Club AGM, 6.30pm at the rink.
May 19 - 20	Laurie Hastie Open Competition, Pascal Street Stadium, Palmerston North. Closed
June 9/10	Development Squad, Upper Hutt. More details coming soon.
June 16 - 17	Higher Medal Tests Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui. Details soon.
June 30 - July 1	Upper Hutt Open Competition, Upper Hutt Club Rink, Upper Hutt Entry forms coming soon.
July 3	Lower Medal tests Upper Hutt Club Rink. Entry forms coming soon.
July 13 - 15	Graeme Sheppard Challenge Jubilee Stadium Wanganui. More details later.
August 4 - 5	Higher Medal Tests, Pascal Street Stadium Palmerston North.
August 24-26	Oceania Selection Competition, Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui
Sep 29 – Oct 13	Artistic World Championships, Auckland.
Dec 8/9	Upper Hutt Club Championships, Upper Hutt Club Rink

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