



# UPPER HUTT ROLLERSKATING CLUB

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## GOOD LUCK TO OUR WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS SKATERS

Eight of our club members will travel to Auckland later this month to skate for New Zealand at the *World Roller Figure Skating Championships*. We wish **Sarah Jane Jones, Emma Patrick, Emma Hazelwood, Kyra Thomson, Laura McKenzie, Grace Cooper, Tanja deWilde and Caitlin Williams** all the best and hope they have an amazing experience. Sarah-Jane will skate Senior International Ladies Solo Dance, Emma P Senior International Ladies Figures, Emma H Junior International Ladies Solo Dance and Kyra Junior International Ladies Freeskating. Laura, Grace, Tanja and Caitlin are members of the Small Show Skate Team "*The Ring Masters Spell*". Two other club members will also travel with the team – **Raewyn Hailes** is the Manager for the senior skaters and **Imelda Coleman** is one of the coaches for the senior skaters. The club has been able to make a donation towards the costs incurred by these club members thanks to the fundraising which has been going on. Thanks to everyone who has or is currently helping the team fundraise for their expenses. They do appreciate your support. World Championships are being held in Auckland for the first time in 25 years. The *2012 World Roller Figure Skating Championships* is the biggest event on the Roller Figure Skating calendar worldwide, and all club members are invited to attend and appreciate the fitness levels and artistic flair associated with roller figure skating at this two-week event at the Waitakere Trusts Stadium, Auckland scheduled for October 1 to 13, 2012. The top skaters from up to 26 countries around the globe will be competing. More information from: event website - [www.newzealand2012.org](http://www.newzealand2012.org) Tickets are available now from <http://www.ticketdirect.co.nz/Event/Details/52947> Profiles of our world skaters can be viewed on our club website [www.skate.wellington.net.nz](http://www.skate.wellington.net.nz)

**OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS:** *Please note* Your help at our Private bookings and Public sessions during the holidays is needed for with Worlds being on at the same time a majority of our members will be away. If you can help at a session/s please see the ladies at the desk at Patch Class on a Tuesday or contact Chris or Bruce by **Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept**. We are arranging for person/s for you to contact during holidays if necessary. All will be notified before end of Sept. who contacts will be.

**NELSON OPEN COMPETITION:** A group of skaters from the Upper Hutt Club recently traveled to Nelson for the Nelson Open Competition. All enjoyed this small and friendly event. Photos in this newsletter are from the event. Thanks Katie Behrent for the photos.

**MEDAL TEST PASSES:** Congratulations to the following members who have passed medal tests in Palmerston North recently:- **Jordan Bougen** (Solo Dance 7, Figures 5), **Katelyn Kennedy** (Solo Dance 6, Figures 6), **Hayley Patten** (Solo Dance 6, Figures 4), **Terriann Randle** (Solo Dance 5, Freeskating 5), **Emily Walford** (Freeskating 4), **Zoe Greer** (Solo Dance 3), **Johanna Hey** (Figures 3, Freeskating 3), **Thaylia Evans** (Figures 3) and **Shania Freemantle** (Precision 3).



**MEDAL TESTS IN UPPER HUTT:** With no Artistic National Championships to work towards this year it is a perfect time for skaters with private coaches to think about working towards medal tests. We will be holding medal tests in Upper Hutt on the weekend of November 3 and 4. Skaters may sit medals 1-10 Figures at the rink, 1-3 Freeskating and Inline Freeskating at the rink with 4 Freeskating and Inline Freeskating at Riverstone Recreation, 1-3 Solo Dance at the rink with 4 Solo Dance at Riverstone Recreation, 1 and 2 Precision at the rink with 3 and 4 Precision at Riverstone Recreation. Please discuss it with your coach. There is a sign-up sheet on the noticeboard now. Please indicate interest by September 15 so appropriate judges can be arranged.

**PATCH PASSES:** Patch Class continues to see many skaters making great progress. Congratulations to the **Jade Bennett** and **Reuben Johnson** who have passed Patch 6. Well done to you both.

**NEW MEMBERS:** We welcome the following new members to the club – **Riley Kidman, Jack, Isabella, Darryl and Stefanie Stonnell, Letitia Ahearn, Jordan Benjes and Kirann Humphrey**. It is also great to welcome back **Rosie Carter**. We hope you will all enjoy the sport.

**HAWAIIAN NITE DISCO:** Our next Night disco celebrates the arrival of spring and is an **Aloha Hawaiian Party**. It will be held on **Saturday October 20 from 7pm-9pm** so get your costumes planned now. These events are the most fun when they are well attended to 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. Proceeds go to help our international skaters with their expenses representing New Zealand.

**PATCH COACHES MEETING:** There will be a meeting for all patch coaches at the rink on September 8 at 2pm. This will be to go through routines which will be taught to skaters in patches who don't have their own routine they want to do at Club Champs. All patch coaches are asked to attend please.



**UPPER HUTT CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Our Club Championships are a must for all Upper Hutt skaters and includes grades for everyone from patch 1 up. This will be held at the club rink on December 8 and 9. Set those dates aside now so you can make sure you are available to compete. In term 4 skaters in Patch Class will begin to learn Freeskating routines which incorporate the elements they have been learning in patch. This is a fantastic opportunity for them to put their skills into a competition routine. Also, in Term 4, we hope to resurrect the Patch Dance Class to teach our patch skaters the dances they will need to compete in the beginners dance events at our Club Champs. This class will be held on a Saturday from 2.00 – 3.00pm and will be open to all skaters in Patch who do not have a Private Dance Coach. Skaters in Patch with a private coach should talk to their coaches immediately to decide if they are going to do the appropriate routine for their patch or their own private routine. Skaters may only do one or the other. If a private routine is chosen the skater will not be able to enter the patch grade which is appropriate to their patch.

**MOVIE NIGHT FUNDRAISER:** A movie night fundraiser to help raise funds for skaters representing NZ at Oceania Championships in Sydney next April is being planned for Thursday September 20<sup>th</sup> at Upper Hutt's Ascot Cinema. If you think you would be interested in attending please mark this date in your diary now. More details will be available from Phillipa Steiner shortly.

**OTHER OCEANIA FUNDRAISERS:** Phillipa is also planning to organize a quiz night and a Christmas Raffle to help raise funds for Oceania skaters' expenses. The club is starting to collect prizes for these now. If anyone has anything they would be prepared to donate please give it to a committee member. Thanks a lot.

**SKATE NZ AGM:** Skate NZ's AGM is on this weekend (September 8) at the Kingsgate Hotel, Wellington. Thanks to **Bruce Crosby** who is attending as the club's delegate.

**ONLINE CALENDAR:** A reminder to all coaches that when you have any change to your normal timetable you must please change the online calendar ASAP – this includes when you are not coaching. Others use this calendar to plan and it helps all with coaching and training when it's up to date. Your co-operation with this will be greatly appreciated.

**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 now** as our Treasurer needs to get the accounts tidied up. For a box of chocolates that \$60 and for a box of lollies its \$54. Thanks

**RESULTS:** Upper Hutt Club members results from recent competitions.

**Nelson Open Competition:- FIGURES** Novice Samantha Alexander 1 Raquel Willcox 2 Summer Hicks 4 Tracey Behrent 5 *Juvenile* Victoria Edwards 1 **FREESKATING** Novice Samantha Alexander 1 Tracey Behrent 2 Summer Hicks 3 Raquel Willcox 4 *Juvenile* Victoria Edwards 1 **CREATIVE FREPAIRS** Summer Hicks & Tracey Behrent 1 **SOLO DANCE** Senior International Will Cooper 1 *Elementary* Samantha Alexander 1 Jessye Willcox 2 *Juvenile* Victoria Edwards 1 Tracey Behrent 2 Novice Summer Hicks 1 **CREATIVE SOLO DANCE** Elementary Samantha Alexander 1 **PRECISION** Novice Mini - **SYNKARONISITY** Samantha Alexander, Tracey Behrent, Victoria Edwards, Summer Hicks, Jessye Willcox, Raquel Willcox 1

**International Challenge:- FIGURES** Senior International: Emma Patrick 1 Junior International: Kyra Thomson 2, Tanja de Wilde 3 Youth International: Grace Cooper 2, Martina Steiner 3 Cadet International: Katelyn Kennedy 1, Terriann Randle 2, Jordan Bougen 3, Abigail Evans 5 **Advanced Masters:** Paula Boulcott 1 **Masters Mens:** Roger Boulcott 1, Alan Thomson 2 **FREESKATING** Senior International: Emma Patrick 1 Junior International: Kyra Thomson 2 Youth International Ladies: Martina Steiner 1 Cadet International: Katelyn Kennedy 1, Terriann Randle 2, Jordan Bougen 4, Abigail Evans 5 **INLINE FREESKATING** International: Martina Steiner 1 **SOLO DANCE** Senior international Ladies: Sarah Jane Jones 1, Emma Hazelwood 2 Senior International Mens: Wil Cooper 1 Junior International Ladies: Kyra Thomson 2, Tanja de Wilde 6 Youth International: Jordan Bougen 1, Grace Cooper 2, Katelyn Kennedy 3, Samantha Whitham 8 Cadet International: Terriann Randle 1, Abigail Evans 2, Shania Freemantle 7 **Masters International:** Paula Boulcott 3. **DANCE PAIRS** Masters International: Roger and Paula Boulcott 2 **PRECISION** International Mini: Kapital Kids 1.

**MEETINGS AND COMPETITIONS AND MEDAL TESTS:**

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

Sep 29 – Oct 13 Artistic World Championships, Auckland.  
 October 20 Hawaiian Night Disco, Upper Hutt Club rink 7pm-9pm.  
 October 27/28 River City Speed Tour, Wanganui. TBC  
 November 3/4 Medal Tests Upper Hutt  
 November 24/25 Central Districts League Skating Competition and Lower Medal tests, Bell Hall Palmerston North.  
 December 1/2 Valley Inline Speed Skating Club Speed King Tour, Upper Hutt. TBC  
 Dec 8/9 Upper Hutt Club Championships, Upper Hutt Club Rink  
 Dec 15 Christmas Night Skate, Upper Hutt Club rink 7pm-9pm

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Jan Speed Nationals, Road Palmerston North, Flat Track Wanganui. Dates to be confirmed.  
 March 2/3 East/West Central Regionals/Joan Alexander Challenge, Jubilee Stadium Wanganui  
 April 6/7 Central Districts League Competition and Lower Medal tests. TBC  
 April Oceania Rollersports Championships. Dates and Venue to be confirmed.  
 July 19-21 Central Area Championships, Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui  
 September Artistic National Championships. Dates and venue to be confirmed.



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