



UPPER HUTT ROLLERSKATING CLUB

Newsletter April 2013

High Praise for New Rink

The first competition held in our newly enlarged rink, the Central Area League Competition, was a great success. The event was well attended by skaters from Upper Hutt, Manawatu and Hastings clubs. Many skaters, coaches, officials and supporters commented on how the extra size makes for a much better competition surface and the entrance and area, changing rooms etc also mean much better facilities for spending a full day at. A big thank you to all who competed, officiated and helped out in other ways, like setting up, cleaning up, preparing food etc. It was a great event and would not have been so without everyone's contribution. We are looking forward to another great event here in June when we host the Upper Hutt Open Competition (more details later in the newsletter). Results from League are at the end of this newsletter and photos are all from league - a big thank you to Wayne Greer and Megan Hawley for the photos.



MEDAL TEST PASSES A big congratulations to the following club members who have passed medal tests recently: In Palmerston North at the Area Higher Medal Tests **Kyra Thomson** passed Medal 8 Solo Dance and **Samantha Whitham** passed Medal 6 Solo Dance. At Area Lower Medal tests in Upper Hutt before League, **Tiana Fisk** passed Medal 1 and 2 Figures, **Tracey Behrent** passed Medal 2 Freeskating and **Amber Clifton** passed Medal 1 Solo Dance. Congratulations to all. The medals will be presented at the next Patch Class meeting which will be held the first Tuesday in June.

PATCH PASSES Congratulations to **Summer Hicks** who has recently passed Patch 6. The next patch testing is set down for the last Tuesday in May. Head Coaches will decide when a skater is ready for testing and put them forward.

PATCHES Do you ever wonder where the funny name Patch comes from? It is from the cloth patch that a skater can purchase after they have passed the level they have been working on in the Learn to Skate class. The levels have eventually become known as patches. The cloth patches are available for purchase from the desk as soon as a skater has passed a patch. They are a nice memento that can be sewn on to their skate bag or onto a piece of cloth and hung as a banner. If you are interested in purchasing these patches for your skater please speak to one of the ladies at the desk on Tuesday – they will be able to help you.

PATCH COACHING TERM 2 As planned, head coaches are changing patches for term 2. Generally the same assistant coaches will stay with the coach in the new patch, although there are a couple of exceptions to this. This term Patch 5 will be looked after by **Nika Thomson** and her assistants, Patches 4 and 3 by **Sarah Jane Jones** and her assistants, Patch 2 by **Emma Hazelwood** and Patch 1 by **Laura McKenzie**. Pre Patch will be overseen by one of the experienced assistant coaches under the guidance of **Wil Cooper**, however, Wil will predominantly be testing, not coaching for term 2. If you have any questions about what your skater is doing in patch class, please talk to the head coach for that level.

ATTENDING LEARN TO SKATE CLASS A reminder that once a skater has passed Patch 6 they can no longer attend Learn to Skate Classes. If they wish to help with the class they will need to put their name forward and be selected for that position when a vacancy comes up. If you are interested in becoming an assistant coach you must have passed patch 6 and can then put your name forward to one of the head coaches (**Sarah Jane Jones, Emma Hazelwood**). They will then contact you to discuss selection criteria and training requirements when a vacancy comes up.

NEW MEMBERS Welcome to new members **Caitlyn Harris** and **Amanda Santos**. We hope you will enjoy your new sport and being a part of the UHRSC.

CONGRATULATION Grace Cooper on passing her dance coaching exam. Well done

EASTER DISCO A very successful Easter Themed night disco was held on the evening of Good Friday. Congratulations to **Tylah-Anne Charles** who was the winner of the best dressed club member prize.

YELLOW NIGHT DISCO In the spirit of the colours of Wellington, our next night disco is a "Yellow" disco. It will be held on **Saturday May 11**. Dress in yellow and you could be up to win the best dressed club member prize. There will also be a prize for the best dressed non club member. The more present the merrier so get your friends and family organized and bring them along for a fun night. 7pm-9pm.

UPPER HUTT ROLLERSKATING CLUB AGM The club AGM will be held at the rink from 6.30 pm on Tuesday May 28. All members are invited to attend.

Coaches Reports

Coaches are also invited to provide **WRITTEN** reports of their year's activities if they would like to. No verbal reports will be accepted as the reports go into the formal record of the meeting. These must be received by the Club Secretary **BEFORE** the meeting. Coaches are invited to read these reports during the meeting. If they are unable to attend then they will be read by the club secretary.

No Skating

There is to be no skating during the meeting. Coaches are advised that skating and coaching may commence at about 7.30pm or as soon as the meeting is over (if this is earlier).

Nominations for Committee

Nominations are now open for positions on the committee. This includes the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and 6 Committee Members. If you are interested in becoming a member of the committee please talk to one of the current members to find out more about what it involves. Current committee members are listed at the end of the newsletter. Nomination forms will be available on the club noticeboard (by the kitchen at the rink). Nominations close on Sunday May 26 at 3pm. All nominations must be in the hands of the secretary by this time.



UPPER HUTT OPEN COMPETITION The Upper Hutt Open Competition, which is one of the highlights on the local club calendar, will be held from Friday night June 14 - Sunday June 16. This will include all National schedule grades as well as some beginner grades. A schedule has just gone onto the notice board. **Entries close on May 24** with the club. Cost is \$25 for one event or \$40 for two or more events. All competitive skaters should mark this in their diary and plan on competing. Please discuss your grades and entries with your coach. No late entries will be accepted. Payment must accompany entries or they will not be accepted.

RETURN UPPER HUTT OPEN COMPETITION TROPHIES PLEASE Skaters who won trophies at last year's Upper Hutt Open Competition are asked to make sure these are cleaned, engraved with your name and returned by the end of May in order that they can be catalogued and awarded again this year.

COLLEGE SPORT WELLINGTON INTER SECONDARY SCHOOL

CHAMPIONSHIPS We will again host the CSW Wellington Inter Secondary School Championships. These will be run in conjunction with Upper Hutt Open Competition. Entry will be open to all skaters at Colleges in the Wellington area (Kapiti to Upper Hutt and south) who are also federated with Skate NZ and members of a registered skating club. This means Years 9-13 at Colleges and Years 7-13 at schools which have a Year 7 as long as the skater is skating up a grade in a college age grade. Entry forms will be sent to the colleges soon. Skaters please make sure you enter through your college immediately after the holidays. Anyone with queries about whether they are eligible to enter can talk to Mary-Anne Thomson before seeing their school sports co-ordinator.

MEDAL TESTS IN UPPER HUTT IN AUGUST The committee is arranging medal tests at the rink on **August 17/18**. Please note change of dates. We have not had confirmation from the Artistic Committee yet as to what tests we will be able to sit in our newly enlarged rink but we know we can already do Figures 1-10 and the lower free skating and solo dance medals. We are hopeful that we will be able to do higher medals as well. At this stage we need expressions of interest from skaters and coaches of what tests people would like to sit so we can arrange appropriate judges. A sheet for expressions of interest will be on the noticeboard by the end of the week. **Expressions of interest close on May 11** so please get your name up stating the medals that you would like to do and hopefully we will be able to accommodate them.

UPPER HUTT SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR AWARDS Congratulations to **Kyra Thomson** and **Katelyn Kennedy** who were both finalists in the Young Sportswomen Category of the 2013 Upper Hutt Sportsperson of the Year Awards. While the category win went to a girl involved in Gymnastics, it was good to see roller skating represented at the awards ceremony on May 1. Both girls have had an excellent past 12 months of skating and both were honoured at the awards ceremony.

CARPARK A reminder to park in the marked squares in the car park or on the road please. Please do not park in the center of the car park as this blocks others in and impedes traffic coming and going. Another tenant has access off our car park and has been blocked in or not able to get his vehicle into his own building more than once in the past month. The landlord has had complaints and says it is usually the same few cars that are responsible. He has asked all members to be considerate in this manner

CLUB UNIFORM The committee is aiming to provide a tracksuit and top for all skaters who qualify to compete at National Championships 2013. **We asked in the last newsletter for confirmation that those who already have uniforms have the right size. This was supposed to have been done by APRIL 30. NOT ALL HAVE REPLIED. PLEASE DO THIS NOW OR YOU MAY NOT GET THE RIGHT SIZE!!!!** For those of you who already have track suits and singlet tops / T shirts, please try them on urgently and check if they still fit. If they do please confirm with Deb Bougen that your tracksuit is the right size and you will be retaining it. If they do not please return it to Deb urgently so she can arrange for a track suit in your size. We not only need to know whether those who have tracksuits still fit, we need to know what may be coming available for others who need them for the first time. **Please do this by May 11.**

Just a reminder to those of you who have club uniforms - They look fantastic and we want them to stay that way. These items of uniform may be retained (on loan) by the skater, but must be returned when requested or if you cease skating competitively before then. As they belong to the club they can only be worn when approved by the club and must be looked after with care. Those skaters with the uniform may wear it at the Laurie Hastie Competition and Upper Hutt Open Competition but all items must be worn together. The jacket may only be worn with the tracksuit pants or over a leotard or skating pants. The pants may only be worn with the club singlet or singlet and jacket. No street clothes with any piece of the uniform at any time.

FUNDRAISE TOWARDS YOUR SKATING EXPENSES BY SELLING Do you know that every Entertainment Book you sell or even ones you buy for your own use earns you personally \$12 towards your skater's rink fees? The more you sell the more of your rink fees are paid off - so get selling!!!! There is a sample book at the desk so you can see how good they are and show it to people. This year's books are again \$60 and for \$60 the buyer receives \$15,000 of valuable offers. Anyone who has one will tell you it pays for itself in a very short time. **The club member who sells the book gets \$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 - so 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 Vouchers this year include:- The Traditional Thai Restaurant, Fig Tree Café, Garage Espresso, Curry Workz, Espresso Garden Café, Go Cake Yourself, Ascot Cinema, Staglands, H2O Aquatic Centre, Hutt and City Taxis, Rasha Taylor Couture, New Leaf Skin Care, Video Ezy, Staglands, KFC, Burger King, McDonald's, McCafe, Domino's, Esquires Coffee, Wendy's Supa Sundaes, China City Restaurant, Buttercup Café, Café Romeo, The Art Of Pizza, Yatra, Silverspoon, Little India and Furnace plus many online shopping, travel and leisure services. Of course, there are vouchers for Lower Hutt, Wellington City, Kapi Mana area and more.

SELL NUTRIMETICS TO PAY YOUR RINK FEES Sarah-Jane Jones is a Nutrimerics' Consultant and is offering a deal to skating families to help them raise funds towards their rink expenses by selling Botanicals Energizing Shower Gels. The gels come in a limited edition gift box of 5 250ml bottles and are priced at \$35 from June 1 - 21. The normal retail is \$49.50 for 5 250ml bottles so not only does the promotion save \$14.50, \$5 from every gift pack sold will be donated to the seller's rink account by Sarah-Jane. By selling just 10 gift packs you can raise \$50 - sell more, raise more. Plus...for every gift pack sold Nutrimerics will donate \$1 to Special Olympics New Zealand. The selling period for this is June 1 - 21 so start taking orders for an early June delivery. For more information talk to Sarah-Jane directly.



MEETINGS AND COMPETITIONS AND MEDAL TESTS:

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

- May 11 Yellow Fever Night Disco, 7-9pm Upper Hutt Club Rink
- May 18/19 Laurie Hastie Competition, Palmerston North **Entry now closed**
- June 1/2 Sid Cooper Memorial Open Day, Hamilton - Entry forms on the noticeboard soon.
- June 14-16 Upper Hutt Open Competition, Upper Hutt **Entry on notice board now**
- June 28-30 Graeme Sheppard Challenge, Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui
- July 19-21 Central Area Championships, Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui **Entry forms on notice board**
- August 3 Night Disco, 7-9pm Upper Hutt Club Rink
- August 17/18 Medal Test Upper Hutt **Expressions of interest form on noticeboard now**
- August 24/25 Central Districts League Competition and Lower Medal tests, Palmerston North
- Oct 1-5 Artistic National Championships, Jubilee Stadium Wanganui
- October 19 Night Disco, 7-9pm Upper Hutt Club Rink
- Nov 30/Dec 1 Speed King Tour, Upper Hutt
- December 7 Christmas Night Disco, Upper Hutt Club Rink 7-9pm
- December 14/15 Upper Hutt Club Championships, Upper Hutt Club Rink

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	Upper Hutt			E-Mail	skatewellington@yahoo.co.nz

CENTRAL AREA LEAGUE APRIL 20/21 2013 UH RESULTS

Freeskating

Elementary: Hayley Patten 1, Hollie Goldstone 3, Johanna Hey 4, Victoria Edwards 5, Samantha Alexander 6.

Juvenile: Tiana Fisk 1, Olivia Munro-Tupangaia 2

Primary: Katie Hawley 1, Natalie Ingram 2, Aria Coleman 3, Tylah-Ann Charles 4

Preliminary: Ashleigh Hunter 1, Zoe Greer 3

Novice: Reuben Johnson 1, Kotuku Ruki 2, Raquel Wilcox 3, Tracey Behrent 4

League Open: Jade Bennett 1

Beginners: Amber Clifton 2

League Tiny Tots/Primary: Cassie Singleton 1, Bella Stonnell 2

First Time Out: Jacoba Gurney 2, Anneka Gurney 3

Inline Freeskating

Junior: Hollie Goldstone 1

Figures

Elementary: Hayley Patten 1, Johanna Hey 3

Juvenile: Olivia Munro-Tupangaia 2, Tiana Fisk 3

Primary: Katie Hawley 1, Natalie Ingram 2, Tylah-Ann Charles 3, Aria Coleman 4

Preliminary: Shania Freemantle 1, Thaylia Evans 2, Ashleigh Hunter 3, Emma Greer 4, Josie Durney 5, Zoe Greer 6

Novice: Raquel Wilcox 1, Kotuku Ruki 2, Tracey Behrent 3, Reuben Johnson 4

League Open: Jade Bennett 1

Beginners: Amber Clifton 3

League Tiny Tots/Primary: Cassie Singleton 1, Bella Stonnell 2

Solo Dance

Intermediate: Shania Freemantle 1, Josie Durney 2

Elementary: Hayley Patten 1, Hollie Goldstone 3, Samantha Alexander 4, Victoria Edwards 5, Tracey Behrent 6, Jessye Willcox 7

Juvenile: Tiana Fisk 1, Kotuku Ruki 2

Primary: Katie Hawley 2, Natalie Ingram 3

Preliminary: Ashleigh Hunter 1, Emma Greer 2, Zoe Greer 3

Novice: Reuben Johnson 1, Olivia Munro-Tupangaia 2, Jade Bennett 3

Beginners: Amber Clifton 1, Cheryl Rioga 4.

League Tiny Tots/Primary: Cassie Singleton 1, Jordan Benjes 2

Creative Solo Dance

Intermediate: Josie Durney 1.

Elementary: Hayley Patten 1, Samantha Alexander 3, Hollie Goldstone 4, Jessye Willcox 5, Victoria Edwards 6.