



UPPER HUTT ROLLERSKATING CLUB

October 2015

Scary Nite Skate

Congratulations to **Trinity August** (pictured at right) who won the best dressed member prize at our recent Scary themed night disco. As usual the costumes for this event were excellent. Our last night skate will be a Christmas Theme and will be held on **Saturday December 19 from 6.30-8.30pm**. Mark the date in your diary and plan on inviting friends and family being there. It is a good way to get into the Christmas spirit and the more the merrier!!! Start planning your costume now.



MEDAL TEST PASSES Congratulations to the following club members who passed medal tests in Upper Hutt recently:- **Samantha Alexander** (Solo Dance 5), **Maisie Behrent** (Figure 3, Precision 3, Solo Dance 1), **Tracey Behrent** (Solo Dance 4, Precision 3), **Tylah-Anne Charles** (Figure 3, Solo Dance 3, Precision 2), **Amber Clifton** (Figure 2, Precision 2), **Aria Coleman** (Figure 3), **Josie Durney** (Figure 4), **Victoria Edwards** (Figure 5, Precision 3), **Abigail Evans** (Solo Dance 7), **Riona Francis** (Figure 1, Figure 2), **Hollie Goldstone** (Solo Dance 5), **Emma Greer** (Precision 3), **Zoe Greer** (Precision 3), **Anneka Gurney** (Freestyle 1, Figure 1), **Johanna Hey** (Figure 6), **Summer Hicks** (Solo Dance 5), **Natalie Ingram** (Solo Dance 3), **Katelyn Kennedy** (Solo Dance 7), **Olivia Munro-Tupangaia** (Precision 2), **Jessie Pitiroi** (Freestyle 3, Solo Dance 3, Precision 2), **Kotuku Ruki** (Freestyle 5, Precision 2), **Cassie Singleton** (Figure 3, Freestyle 2, Precision 2), **Jessye Willcox** (Precision 3) and **Holly Yeatman** (Solo Dance 4). Thank you to our judges **Jane Reason, Margaret Grant, Raewyn Hailes, Bill Stratford** and **Michelle Crosby**.

PATCH PASSES We have had our last patch testing for the year because skaters will now be working on routines for Club Champs. Congratulations to the following who passed tests in October. Patch 1: **Maya Beaumont**. Patch 2: **Emilie Beaumont, Ashlin Coffey-Duffin, Dani van-Niekerk**, Patch 5: **Amber Clifton**.

NEW MEMBERS Welcome to **Charlotte Andrews** and **Keltia Robinson-Reidy** who have joined us recently:- We hope you will both enjoy your association with the club.

BEGINNERS' DANCE CLASS A beginners' dance class will start on November 3rd and will run from 5-5.30pm until Club Champs weekend. This is available to all Patch Class skaters who have not entered dance events before at another competition besides Club Championships. It will enable those who want to, to enter a dance event at Club Championships. This class will be taken by Patch Class coach Josie Durney. Thanks Josie for volunteering your time in this way. There is no extra charge for attending this class for skaters on a patch class card or part card.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 2016 Our Club Championships are at the club rink on **December 13 and 14**. Entry is open now and a schedule is on the notice board. This is a fantastic opportunity for patch skaters to put their skills into a competition routine as well as see other skaters in action. This is a fun competition and we hope all members will take the opportunity to come along and watch and support others as they skate. Good luck to everyone. Competitors' family members are asked to contribute food for our officials' morning and afternoon teas and lunches. Carolyn Evans is organizing a list so please see her so you can find out what is needed. Thanks and good luck to all.

HOW TO ENTER

If you are in learn to skate class and have a private coach, your coach will help you with your entry so please make sure you discuss your grades with them. If you do not have a private coach – the patch head coaches and manager, Margi Morrison, will help you with entering. Note:- if you have a private coach please discuss grades with them and enter through them (whether you are in patch or not). The cost is heavily subsidised by the club, the only fee is a registration fee of \$10 per skater for one event or \$15 per skater if entering two or more events. **Note: Ages for events are the skater's age as at January 1st 2016 so whatever age the skater is on that day is the age for competition purposes. Entries close Saturday 21st November, 3.00 pm. Payment must be made with entry.**

DRESS

Generally skaters wear a leotard and tights (girls) or stretch pants and a shirt/skating top (boys). The club has a range of second hand costumes available for sale and these can be tried on at patch class. The costumes vary in price depending on the quality of workmanship and materials, the number of times they have been worn and other factors. We also have a member who has a company which makes new leotards/skating tops and pants. If you would like more information please ask the ladies at the front desk.

QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER A quiz night fundraiser was held recently at the Upper Hutt Cossie Club. Thanks to all who attended. It was an excellent night and a considerable amount of money was raised to help our skaters who are hoping to represent NZ at Oceania Championships in 2016. Thanks to those who donated and sourced prizes which included a "Pure Pleasure Package" at Solway Hotel Masterton kindly donated by **Trust House** and sourced by **Bruce and Michelle Crosby**, Tools and Tool Box donated by **Catering Equipment Services/The Edwards Family**, Artisan Vinegars and Chutneys donated by **Artisan Vinegar** and sourced by **The Edwards Family** and a 7 Day Soup Diet donated by **Mitre 10** and sourced by **The Goldstone Family**.

LEARN TO SKATE CLASS RECEPTION A big thank you to **Tania Agnew** who has volunteered to join Margi and Julie as a regular helper on the reception desk at Patch Class. Thanks Tania we really appreciate your help

LEARN TO SKATE CLASS INFORMATION

ROUTINES

Learn to Skate Class is now working on routines for Club Champs. Each patch has a routine, which all skaters will learn together then skate individually at the competition (unless they have skated Federated Grades and then they must stay in their Federated Grade). They will be given practice skating on their own closer to the event. We hope all patch skaters will take the chance to enter the competition as it is a great chance to practice putting the content they learn each week into a routine. Skaters in pre-patch are working on a demonstration which they will skate as a group during the weekend of the competition. We encourage your pre-patch skaters to get involved with this as it is lots of fun.

Note: Skaters with private coaches who have not yet entered federated level events, must decide with their coach if they want to skate in the patch grade or skate their own routine in a non patch grade. It is only possible to enter one grade for each discipline.

SKATES

Generally from around Patch 3 the club skates are not of sufficient quality to allow skaters to perform the content they are learning to the best of their ability. At this time please consider either hiring from the club, or buying (either second hand or new) some artistic skates. These allow the pressure to be placed where it is needed to execute the content properly. If you would like information about skates to suit your skater please see Margi at the desk who will be able to put you in touch with someone to help you source skates. We generally have access to a wide range of second hand skates, sizes and quality vary all the time, and we also have a club member who runs a company which sells brand new skates at reasonable prices.

SIGN IN AND OUT

An adult must come to the desk to sign in their skater/s to patch class and come into the building to collect skaters. This has not been happening consistently recently. This is for both health and safety reasons and to ensure that each family gets information like newsletters, appropriate forms etc. This is particularly important coming up to club champs. We would like all families to update their contact details please.

CLUB LEOTARDS The committee has decided to discontinue the practice of providing club leotards for skaters at Area and National level competitions. This means that the leotards (and men's tops) previously owned by the club will now be offered for sale on a first come first served basis. These leotards will then be owned by the club member and can be worn for training at any time. Please see Vicki Kennedy if you are interested in purchasing one of these. New club leotards in exactly the same design can be purchased from The House of Oom in Main Street Upper Hutt. The cost for these is: - Child Sizes 4,6,8 \$69.00, Child Sizes Sizes 10, 12 \$80.50, Adult XS to Med \$92.00, Large and above \$105.00. Please arrange this directly through The House of Oom.

LOCKER AVAILABLE A locker has become available for hire. The cost is a very reasonable \$10 a quarter. The user supplies their own lock. If you are interested please see Liz Edwards. First in first served!!!

MEETINGS AND COMPETITIONS AND MEDAL TESTS:

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

2015

Nov 7 Central League, Pascal, Street, Palmerston North.. Entry forms on board now. **Closed**
 Nov 7-8 Jim Taylor East/West Regionals, Pascal, Street, P/Nth. Entry forms on board now. **Closed**
 Dec 12-13 UH Club Championships. Upper Hutt Rink **Entries close Saturday 21st November, 3.00 pm**
 Dec 19 Xmas Theme Disco, Upper Hutt Rink
 Dec 29-31 NZ Speed Skating Road Championships, Kowhai Park, Wanganui

2016

Jan 1-2 NZ Speed Skating Flat Championships, Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui
 Jan 3 NZ Speed Skating Marathon, venue to be advised
 Feb 6-8 New Zealand Banked Track Championships, 200m Track Marine Parade Timaru
 March 4-6 UH Open Day, Upper Hutt Club Rink
 March 19-20 Medal Tests, Arena 3 Palmerston North (Higher tests will be given preference)
 March 25-29 Oceania Speed Championships 200m Track Marine Parade Timaru
 April 22-24 Central Areas, Pascal, Street, Palmerston North.
 June 4-6 Graeme Sheppard Challenge, Jubilee Stadium, Wanganui
 May 22 Central League/ Lower Medals Tests, Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North.
 July 11-16 NZ Artistic Championships, TSB Stadium, New Plymouth
 Sept/Oct School Holidays dates to be confirmed – Oceania Championships, Wanganui
 Nov 5/6th League/Regionals dates and venue to be confirmed

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