



UPPER HUTT ROLLER SKATING CLUB

Sk8ing Upd8

November 2019



The winner of the best dressed Club Member was Caitlin Munn



“SCARY” Disco

Another fun evening was enjoyed by many!



The winner of the best dressed non-Club Member was Rose Blain-Anderson



NEW MEMBER - Maddie Olsen - we extend a very warm welcome to you and are sure you will enjoy skating at our Club. Please ask any of our Members if you require help or advice.

WELCOME BACK - We also have great pleasure in welcoming Terriann Randle who has re-joined us after a three-year break. Terriann will be assisting Katelyn Kennedy with the running of our Tuesday Patch Classes. As a skater, Terriann had many successes over the years and it is lovely to have her with us again.

MEDAL TESTS IN UPPER HUTT Sunday 17th November – We remind all our members that our rink will not be available for practising on this day while the medal tests are in progress. We are expecting this to be from 9.30a.m. to 3.30pm approximately. To those of you who are sitting medals, we wish you the best of luck.

OUT AND ABOUT - What a weekend some of us have had at the beginning of this month.

A couple of our skaters and a coach attended the 2019 International Dance Seminar in Queensland. We understand they all found this to be most worthwhile.

At the same time, several of our officials and those interested in becoming an official, attended a most worthy weekend Judges' and Officials' Seminar here at the NZCIS in Upper Hutt. A very satisfactory time was enjoyed by everyone involved.



2019/20 LARGE SHOW TEAM – Katelyn Kennedy continues the practices for the “Revolution” large show team and each evening it is so obvious everyone is having such a lot of fun! It is heartening to have so many skaters taking part in this. Practices take place each Tuesday evening at 7.00pm for half an hour, immediately after patch squad. If you have missed out on this and are interested in being part of the team, please email Katelyn at katelynrosekennedy@gmail.com to see if she has any vacancies.

Looking Ahead!

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS – Exciting times ahead!! Our skaters are all working hard ready for these Championships on Saturday and Sunday 7th & 8th December. Club Champs are such a fun time for everyone. For many of our patch skaters they are an introduction to a competition in the comfort of our own rink. Additionally, it gives all our newer skaters and their families the opportunity to watch our more experienced skaters doing their competition events, showing you just what you can aim to attain for yourselves. Please make sure you set these dates aside in your calendar now, so you are all available for this fun-filled weekend, supporting the work the patch classes and skaters have been doing all year. We ask all Patch skaters and/or their parents to see the ladies on the front desk who will help you to ensure you are entered in the correct event. **Please do this just as soon as possible.** The fee for this Championship is \$20.00 to enter one event and \$30.00 for two or more events.

RETURN OF CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP CUPS / TROPHIES –

It is necessary that all of these are now returned to the kitchen as soon as possible so they can be sorted and prepared for this year's presentations. It goes without saying that **these must be cleaned before you return them!**



END OF YEAR XMAS PARTY FOR EVERYONE - Tuesday 10th December 2019 from 5.30 to 7.00pm. DON'T MISS IT! Christmas provides a great chance to celebrate the end of year for all our club members. Let's make it Christmassy with costumes, fun skating games, food and drink. All skaters are asked to please bring a plate of party food to share. The club will provide a drink for all patch class skaters; family members are welcome to buy drinks. Come along and celebrate with us all.

LAST AND FIRST PUBLIC DISCO - The last Saturday afternoon public disco for 2019 will be on Saturday 21st December 2019. The first disco for 2020 will be Saturday 1st February 2020.

CHRISTMAS CLOSURE FOR MAINTENANCE - It is planned that the rink will close for summer maintenance from 22nd December. During this period there will be working bees on 6th, 7th and 8th January 2020 from 10.00am – 2.00pm each day. Pizza will be provided for lunch. Please could each family help with doing something around the rink. The only way we can all enjoy it is for us all to help maintain it. Provided all the jobs have been completed, the rink will open again, for club members only, on Monday 13th January 2020.

2020 WORLD SKATE ARTISTIC SKATING INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR - INCLUDING WORLD SKATE ACADEMY CLASSES - 31 January To 4 February 2020 In Lisbon, Portugal

The Artistic Committee and HPC have sent a “**Save the Date**” notice to our club Secretary and your coach.

START OF PATCH CLASSES IN 2020 - The first Patch Classes of the New Year will be as follows:

Patch Class commences on Tuesday 11th February 2020 from 5.30pm to 6.15pm;
Patch Squad will also commence on Tuesday 11th February 2020 from 6.15pm to 7.00pm;
Patch Off Skate will commence on Saturday 15th February from 1.30pm to 2.00pm;
Patch Skating Skills will also commence on Saturday 15th February from 2.00pm to 2.30pm.

We will look forward to seeing you all again next year and trust you will bring your friends too.

Hear ye! Hear ye! Hear ye!

Are you all remembering to check our website on a regular basis as this is where information becomes available as soon as it is to hand - www.skatewellington.org.nz

WE NEED MORE OFFICIALS!!!

The NZ Skating Community have found themselves in a position where our current officials are finding themselves in great demand and we need others to help relieve the load. To this end, we are encouraging any skater or parent who has an interest in finding out what is entailed with judging, calculating, marshalling or announcing, to please consider contacting us for more information.

SKATE REPAIRS

We have quite a few roller blades in need of a bit of TLC, is there anyone who has some knowledge and a bit of time to support the club with fixing these for us?

IMPORTANT NOTICES FOR THOSE ATTENDING THE RINK TO PRACTICE

THIS IS A MAJOR!!! There have been a few occasions recently that our rink has not been left in a secure manner, even, on more than one occasion, with the door not locked. Should you happen to be the last person to leave the rink, be it morning, noon or night, please ensure the sound system is turned off, the lights are turned off and the doors are all locked. This is so very important.

TRAINING IN A SOLO SKATER SITUATION We strongly advise that if you are training, you ensure there is at least one other person at the rink in case of any accident. Picture this – *“You’re there by yourself and you have a nasty fall (which can happen in freeskating, figures or dance). Your leg is broken; you are unable to get up or get to a phone; the rink surface is cold; you are in pain; shock sets in.....”* there is no need to paint the picture further! Should any of you decide to practice by yourself, be aware you are doing this at your own risk. At any time, if there is an accident, this must be recorded in the “accident register” located in the desk drawer.

RINK FLOOR SWEEPING

ALL MEMBERS are reminded of the need to sweep the rink floor before use. **If, on any day, you are first to arrive at the rink (both main and figures) please ensure you sweep them.** If this is not done, a build up of dust occurs and this is very slippery for the skaters. WE MUST AVOID INJURIES! Thankyou to those who have been doing your share of this. It is up to everyone to play their part and not leave it for someone else to do. There is a form to sign on the figures rink noticeboard which ensures others know when it has been done for the day.

COACHES', JUDGES' & OFFICIALS' CORNER

HAVE ALL COACHES ATTENDED TO THE FOLLOWING?

Would all coaches, who have not yet done so, please complete your biography and give it to Megan, with a photo, for the information board and so the coaches' pamphlet can be completed.

CALENDAR

2019

16	November	League 1 Plus Medal Tests 1 & 2	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
17	November	Medal Tests, 4 – 10, Upper Hutt	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
07-08	December	Upper Hutt Club Championships	UH Rink, 4A Railway Ave, UH Closed
10	December	Xmas End of Year Party	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt

2020

25-26	January	Area Medal Tests (Medal 3 Upwards)	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
31-04	Jan/Feb	World Skate Artistic International Seminar	Lisbon, Portugal
01-02	February	Central Area Medal Tests 3 and Higher	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
07	March	Kiwi Skate Day	NZ Wide
07-08	March	Upper Hutt Open Day	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
14-15	March	Laurie Hastie	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
17-19	April	Central Area Championships	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
30-01	May-June	Jim Taylor Combined Regional Championships (Queen's B'day Weekend)	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
20	June	League 2 Plus Medal Tests 1 & 2	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
13-18	July	NZ Artistic Roller Sports Championships	Jubilee Stadium, Springvale, Whanganui
07	November	League 1 Plus Medal Test 1 & 2	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North

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