



Fergus Skating Club

Skateline News

JANUARY 2020

President's Greeting

Welcome back to our returning skaters and a special welcome to all our new skaters and families!

The Fergus Skating Club is a group of wonderful and talented athletes. We are very proud of our skaters. Congratulations to all skaters on your tests and badges, and ribbons passed.

Special thanks to our Coaches, Program Assistants and Helpers who are there to help our skaters reach their potential and to cheer them on!

Thank you to the parents, grandparents, and guardians for bringing your skaters each week and for your support. We are very busy in our Canskate programs this year, with all classes at capacity. However as I look out at the skaters I see great progress already after just 3 weeks! Keep up the great work skaters!

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact any board member. We try to have at least one board member at the FSC table during lessons. We can direct concerns and questions to the coaches, if it is an issue we cannot help you with. Also our head coach Patty will be happy to reply to emails.

Happy Skating!

Evelyn Brown

FSC President & Registrar

www.fergusskatingclub.com

Dates to Remember

Valentine Fun!

Feb. 10, 12, 14 & 15

No skating on Family Day:

Monday Feb. 17, 2020

No skating during March Break (beginning Monday):

March 16, 18, 20, 21, 2020

CANSkate "Spring Fling" Fun Days:

March 25, 27, 28, 2020

Year End STARSkate Performance:

March 29, 2020

(Practice 12pm;

Show 1-3pm)

AGM:

Date/Time TBD

Spring Skating:

Begins April 1, 2020

-We'll send an email when registration opens

2019-2020 EXECUTIVE BOARD

President:

Evelyn Brown

Vice President:

Karen Varley

Registrar:

Chris Szczepko

Secretary:

Paula Cerveny

Treasurer:

Marsha Murphy

Test Chair:

Allison McDaniel

Call for Volunteers:

The Fergus Skating Club runs on volunteer strength, energy and commitment. Dedicated new members are needed each year to guide the focus of the Club and help create fun, engaging environments for all

of our skaters. This is your opportunity to get involved and make a difference!

Welcome Back Reminders

- CSA approved hockey helmets MUST be worn up to and including Stage 5 for insurance.
- Skaters must wear name tags & coloured skate tags to each class to ensure organization.
- Professional coaches assess the progress of the groups daily. If the coach feels that a skater is above or below the general average of the group at any time during the course; the skater may be changed to a more suitable group.
- Only participants and coaches are allowed on the ice during the session.
- Skates with good fit and support are necessary for comfort and progress. We recommend Edee's Skate Place for figure and hockey skates. She has a great trade-in program. 1-800-399-0282.
- If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask. Feel free to talk to a Professional Coach after the session or a club volunteer is often at the table in the viewing area.
- Keep up to date on all Fergus Skating Club activities. Visit our website regularly and check both the family calendar and the event calendar to confirm all dates and times at www.fergusskatingclub.com

Inclement Weather

Just a reminder that if winter weather affects the safety of our skaters and coaches travelling to the arena, we will send out a mass email and post a notice on our website. We will aim for a 3:00pm notice advising of any cancellations; however, families are always encouraged to check within the hour before lessons in case the weather quickly turns for the worse. Please note that it is the responsibility of parents to check the website for any information.

SKATING COACHES

Patty Lambertus, Skate Canada Professional Coach

Sarah MacDonald, Skate Canada Professional Coach

Leigha Bailey, Skate Canada Certified Regional Coach

Janet Weinstein, In Training Club Coach

Sophia Thomas, In Training Club Coach

All our coaches work hard to make your child's skating lesson a most enjoyable and fun experience. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to approach any of the coaches after lessons. You can also contact our Head Coach, Patty, by email: icex@rogers.com

StarSkaters News!

Two of our StarSkaters will be competing in Paris, ON on Feb 1st and 2nd. Eight of our StarSkaters will be competing in Owen Sound on February 15th and one skater on February 16th. We wish our skaters the best of luck. FSC families are encouraged to go and cheer them on! If you'd like details of the location and timing, please see a board member at the table.

StarSkate Performances

Congratulations to all our STARSkaters for their performances in December. Thank you to Coach Patty and DPSC for inviting us to skate at the Teen Ranch Christmas Performance. Thank you as well to all the volunteers helping with the FSC Performance Night. It was wonderful to see everyone's progress and smiling faces out on the ice.



CanSkate Christmas Festival Days

Congratulations to all our CanSkaters from the fall session. They worked incredibly hard to build their skating skills. It was wonderful to celebrate all their successes and accomplishments at our Christmas Festival Days. Thank you to all the PAs and parent volunteers for their help throughout the fall, as well as to the dedicated coaches.



StarSkate Tests!

StarSkaters have been busy working hard and passing tests this year! Congratulations to the following:

- Ava Asplen:** STAR 3b Dance Elements (Baby Blues & Swing Dance), STAR 4b Dance-Fiesta Tango
- Eliana Cerveny:** STAR 2 Freeskate Elements, STAR 3 Dance – Baby Blues, & STAR 3 Skills
- Ava Childs:** STAR 1 Dance
- Paulina Cho:** STAR 1 Freeskate
- Teagan Fletcher:** STAR 1 Dance
- Madeleine Hallas:** STAR 3b dance Elements, STAR 4b Dance-Fiesta Tango, & STAR 5 Skills
- Mark Knierim:** STAR 2b Dance-Canasta Tango
- Wesley Knierim:** STAR 2a Dance-Dutch Waltz
- Presley Landoni:** STAR 2 Freeskate Elements
- Amelia McDaniel:** STAR 2 Freeskate Elements & STAR 2b Canasta Tanga
- Emily Murphy:** STAR 2 Freeskate Elements, Star 3 Dance – Baby Blues, & STAR 3 Skills
- Melissa Murphy:** STAR 3b Dance Elements, STAR 4a and 4b Dance-Swing Dance & Fiesta Tango, & STAR 4 Skills
- Rachel Murphy:** STAR 1 Dance
- Makenna Polsterer:** Star 3 Dance – Baby Blues
- Maya Todd:** STAR 1 Dance
- Trinity Torres:** STAR 2a & 2b Dances-Dutch Waltz & Canasta Tango & STAR 1 Freeskate
- Sophie Traynor:** STAR 3b Dance Elements, STAR 5a Dance-Willow Waltz, & STAR 5 Skills
- Ada Varley:** STAR 3a Dance-Baby Blues, STAR 3b Dance Elements & STAR 4a Dance-Swing Dance

Valentine Fun Week!

All StarSkaters and CanSkaters are encouraged to dress up in your "Valentine Best" clothing for lessons on Feb 10, 12, 14, & 15. Be creative! Hearts on your helmet, red outfit... there will be treats and lots of fun!

Fundraising Report

We currently have raised \$200.00 from the chocolate and ornament fundraiser. We will continue to sell chocolates on an ongoing basis, as well as the remaining ornaments next December. Our final fundraiser for the year, Elmira Poultry, is currently underway, with orders due back by February 1st. All proceeds go towards making skating affordable for all, as well as in-session and recognition materials for both the CANSkate and STARSkate programs.