



Activity noted since the last meeting on July 8th

1. ACTISA competitions:

The next competition to be held will be the National Federation Challenge including dance and the Gwen Peterson Theatre-on-Ice Trophy on Friday and Saturday 4th and 5th September followed by the Reg Park Artistic Competition held on Sunday 6th September. Announcements and entry forms available on the ACTISA website, ACTISA fb page and at the rink. Please note the closing date of 14th August and ensure entries are placed on time as there is NO guarantee that late entries will be accepted if numbers of entries already received do not permit extra skaters.

This is a large competition and all available volunteers will be utilised so if you are available on the weekend please be sure to indicate this to our co-convenor Andrea Wood at comp@actisa.asn.au.

2. Interstate competitions:

Congratulations to Chris and Alex Fladun-Dorling who were placed second in pre-primary dance at the MJS Trophy event in Newcastle in July.

Thirteen skaters travelled to Melbourne the first weekend in August to compete in the Crystal Challenge event and seven brought home trophies. All our skaters represented the ACT with pride and benefited positively from the experience in what was a very large but friendly competition.

Congratulations to: Poppy Munro-Mobbs (4th Aussie Skate Freeskate 1), Lizzie Marshall (3rd Aussie Skate Freeskate 3), Sofia Jensen (16th Preliminary technical), Leila Villegas (17th Preliminary technical). This was the first interstate competition attended by these four skaters.

Congratulations also to Monique Lawrence (7th Pre-primary ladies), Anastasia Bradshaw (3rd pre-primary artistic, 14th pre-primary technical), Emily Leong (1st intermediate artistic, 10th intermediate technical), Charlotte Kesteven (2nd intermediate artistic, 11th intermediate technical), Georgia Tongs (3rd intermediate artistic, 8th intermediate technical), Tanisha Jory (4th intermediate technical, 5th intermediate artistic), Eleonore Willis (12th intermediate technical), Elliot Murphy (3rd intermediate men technical), Callum Bradshaw (2nd novice men).

It is great to see good numbers of skaters travelling in a group to these large events and supporting other skaters as a team.

3. ISA Tests:

Congratulations to the following skaters who passed tests on 25th July: Preliminary Leila Villegas, Pre-primary Monique Lawrence, Primary Ben Meeuwissen

The next ISA test day will be Saturday 26th September beginning 4pm. Applications close Saturday 5th September.

4. Aussie Skate Tests:

The next Aussie Skate testing session is Thursday 6th August.

5. Memberships

Member numbers have remained constant in the past quarter. We have had two Aussie skate graduates (Leila Villegas and Genevieve Temple). Congratulations skaters.

6. Competitions/Championships selection policy:

The draft policy has been amended to take in to account feedback thus far and will now be circulated to coaches and judging convenor for further comment before finalisation.

7. New application forms and fees for ISA testing:

New test application forms have been developed and will be posted on website shortly. The old forms will be accepted up until 5th September when entries close for the next test session but the new application forms should be used following that session.

Regrettably we have also had to restructure test fees to more adequately reflect costs of testing. In some circumstances the current fees were insufficient to cover even 50% of the cost of testing. It should be noted that ACTISA aims to break even or incur a small net cost to the organisation for running tests. These have never been run at a profit. The new fee structure will also apply AFTER the September testing session and is indicated on the new application forms.

ACTISA committee wishes to remind members of the following:

1. Judging:

ACTISA is always on the lookout for more judges and technical officials. Fancy giving it a go? You can start trial judging Aussie Skate as soon as you are 15 years old! Contact judges@actisa.asn.au if you are interested.

2. Funding:

Skaters and judges can apply for funding at any time. Please check our website for the appropriate form and procedure.

3. Feedback and Enquiries:

Feedback including complaints are welcome at any time and should be made in writing and submitted by sending to our PO Box, placing it in the drawer at the rink, or emailing pres@actisa.asn.au. Only written complaints will be accepted and all complaints will be considered seriously and receive a response. Enquiries regarding committee decisions and processes are also welcome. Often information is not correctly interpreted before being passed on resulting in confusion and a perception that correct and fair procedure is not being followed. Instead of automatically believing what you hear, please check by contacting ACTISA yourself.

4. Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 2 September at the Woden Tradies Club, commencing at 6:30pm. Comments and suggestions are always welcome! **Please note that committee meetings are not open to the general membership or non-member parents except by special arrangement.**

You can also check the website for news at www.actisa.asn.au

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