



ANNUAL REPORT 2006-07

PROGRAMS

1. AdvantEdge (Summer 06/ACHF) – group freestyle lessons (~23 skaters)
2. Freestyle Clinics (Summer – 2 weeks - July/August/ACHF; spring- 1 week April YMCA) –group freestyle and off-ice instruction; themed production/show on final day (27 -33 skaters each week): increase from 1 week in 05-06 to 3 weeks
3. Summer 06 Freestyle (ACHF) –M-Thurs – 7 hours per week; generally 8-15 skaters each session
4. Fall/Winter Freestyle 06-07 (YMCA) –W-Fri-Sun (4 hours per week); added Mondays 1.5 hr at Albany Academy; approximately 10-18 skaters per session
5. Basic Skills Program (Oct 06 – Mar 07 Albany Academy) – 110 BS members; hockey curriculum introduced; 2 ice shows
6. Summer Synchronized Skating Team – ISI senior Youth – ISI Worlds competition (July 06)
7. Synchronized Skating –USFS Open Juvenile team (15 skaters); added new Beginner team (16 skaters)YMCA –Some Fridays and Sundays; 2 competitions (beginner), 4 competitions (OJ); ice show exhibitions
8. USFS Test Sessions (Oct 06 and Feb 07) - ~50 skaters

EVENTS

1. Synchro Open House/Ice Cream Social (ACHF) – Aug 06
2. Applebee's Flapjack breakfast – Oct 06 (synchro fundraiser)
3. Synchro skater holiday party – Lutheran Church – Dec 06
4. Next-to-New Sale (Nov 06 – YMCA)
5. Winter Ice Show & Basket Raffle (Dec 06-YMCA);45+ skaters
6. Empire State Ice Rink Tree Lighting Ceremony (Dec 06) ~22 skaters
7. Synchro skater “create noisemakers” party – Feb 07
8. Spring Exhibition (Apr 07 –YMCA) – (50 skaters)
9. Stars on Ice Group Sales (Mar 07-TUC)
10. 1st annual garage sale (April 07) - \$500 raised
11. Annual Awards Banquet/Silent Auction (Apr 07 –Albany Country Club) -120 attendees (\$1700)
12. Lake George Waterpark Outing – May 06 (~25 skaters)
13. Bethlehem Memorial Day Parade marching (May 07)

SERVICES TO MEMBERS

1. Monthly e-newsletter
2. Hosted website (www.albanyfsc.org)
3. ISI and USFS Club memberships
4. Room blocks for major competitions
5. Distribution of complimentary USFS test certificates/patches and ISI patches
6. Distribution of ISI test patches
7. Recognition/gift for graduating seniors at annual banquet

8. Club apparel sales (jackets, T-shirts, headbands, garment bags, sweatshirts, coffee mugs, etc)
9. Flower Sales at exhibitions and Mondor tights sales (synchro fundraiser)
10. Early Bird and/or member rates on certain ice packages/programs
11. Provision of Club Membership Directory; club membership card
12. Professional Photography at ice shows

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

1. Growth in membership from ~85 members to ~97 members
2. Doubled synchro program from 15 to 31 skaters
3. Tripled clinic program from one week to three weeks
4. Revised Policy for Hiring Skating Professionals (4/07)
5. Secured and displayed AFSC permanent banner at YMCA (9/06)
6. Set dates for first annual AFSC-sponsored USFS Competition (5/07)
7. Created Clinic Coordinator position (4/07)
8. Secured local publicity for club (Spotlight, Times Union)

PLANS for 07-08

1. Continue existing programs with the following additions:
2. Host USFS Competition/Basic Skills Competition – October 27/28; Clifton Park Ice Arena; form working committees
3. Explore addition of third summer clinic week of summer 08
4. Expand synchro program to include third team (pre-juvenile); increase ice time for OJ team from one day per week to two days per week; repeat tight sale fundraiser, Applebees fundraiser (Nov 07); rename the team
5. Explore “Bridge the Gap” event - in-house competition pairing advanced skaters with basic skills skaters
6. Offer two Synchro Open Houses –July 07
7. Introduce group ice dance lessons (summer 07 at ACHF); plan to continue fall/winter at AA
8. Increase membership dues by \$5 to cover \$5 increase in USFS membership cost
9. Consider expansion of freestyle ice at Albany Academy
10. Continue to offer 2 USFS Test Sessions (Oct, w/ competition and Feb);
11. Complete Access membership database
12. Conduct membership volunteer survey
13. Prepare “welcome new skater” brochure
14. Explore hanging banner at Albany Academy; trophy case at YMCA
15. Explore feasibility of securing jump harness for YMCA

FINANCIALS (report of the treasurer)

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