



Albany
Figure Skating Club

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JUNE/JULY 2007

CONGRATULATIONS!

USFS Test Session July 27:

Christina Lombardi:

- Intermediate Freestyle

Stephanie Lombardi:

- Pre-Juvenile Freestyle

Isabelle Lombardi:

- Juvenile MIF

Lindsey DeBerry:

- Preliminary MIF

Madeline Olberg:

- Intermediate MIF

Emma Briceland:

- Preliminary Freestyle

Jessica Marinstein:

- Pre-Preliminary MIF

Amanda Gemmitti:

- Pre-Juvenile Freestyle

Judy Bovitz:

- Adult Silver Samba

Charter Oak Open Competition

July 20 & 21:

Katie Howard:

- Preliminary Compulsory Moves: 2nd Place
- Pre-Preliminary FreeSkate: 6th Place
- Preliminary Jump Challenge: 4th Place
- Preliminary Spin Challenge: 4th Place

Olivia Serafini:

- Pre-Juvenile FreeSkate: 3rd Place
- Juvenile Jump Challenge: 1st Place
- Juvenile Spin Challenge: 2nd Place

Ginny Mahoney:

- Adult Bronze FreeSkate: 4th Place

Helen Serafini:

- Juvenile Jump Challenge: 2nd Place
- Pre-Juvenile FreeSkate: 1st Place
- Juvenile Spin Challenge: 1st Place

Olivia Matos:

- Beginner Girls FreeSkate: 5th Place

Katelyn Masullo:

- Pre-Preliminary FreeSkate: 1st Place

Skate Hickory 2007, June 2 & 3:

Katelyn Masullo:

- Pre-Preliminary A FreeSkate: 1st Place

2007 CERC Freeskate Competition, June 9 & 19:

Katelyn Masullo:

- Pre-Preliminary A FreeSkate: 1st Place

GREAT JOB!



SYNCHRONIZED NEWS!

Several members of our synchro team attended high level synchronized skating camps! Katie Howard, Aislyn DiRisio & Alyssa Hopsicker spent a week at the Hayden Synchronized Skating Summer Camp, home rink of the "Haydenettes!" Quinn Desiderio & Rachel Staudt went to Miami University in Ohio for another high level synchro camp! What an opportunity!

Questions about our synchronized skating teams? Contact Dawn Hopsicker @ 357-0934 or jhopsick@nycap.rr.com.



BASIC SKILLS & ADVANTEDGE

\$15.00

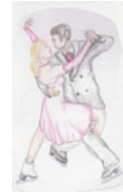
BUY-ONS AVAILABLE SUMMER 2007

Because our summer Basic Skills & AdvantEdge is quiet we have room for buy-ons at a rate of ONLY \$15.00! We are opening this up to club members with a special encouragement to those beginner freestyle skaters. You will appreciate that for the same amount you would pay for 1 hour of freestyle ice you can get 1 hour of skating with ½ hour of small group lessons!

ONLY \$15.00

COME & JOIN US

It is not necessary to sign up in advance
MONDAY'S 3:30-4:30!



BEGINNER ICE DANCE PROGRAM

\$15.00

BUY-ONS AVAILABLE

Coach Stacie Kuglin is doing a great job! All the skaters are enjoying themselves tremendously! Our volunteer skaters, Christina Lombardi, Lukas Sotola & Stephanie Lombardi also add greatly to the program!

So far we have learned swing rolls, cross rolls, backward swing rolls, progressives, chasses, and slide chasses. We have also learned the first 2 dances – the Dutch Waltz & Canasta Tango. We have practiced partnering, some with more success than others (oh well!).

There is plenty of room for skaters who wish to give ice dance a try – you can come and have fun while learning something new for ONLY \$15.00.

COME AND JOIN US
THURSDAY'S 5:00-5:30!

It is not necessary to sign up in advance
Questions? Contact Janet Sotola
jsotola@nycap.rr.com or 861-6705

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

- ❖ Amy Barba
- ❖ Sarah Booker
- ❖ Suzanne Decker
- ❖ Lily & Emily Digman
- ❖ Emily Faul
- ❖ Megan Guerds
- ❖ Joanne Heimerdinger
- ❖ Bailey Hogan
- ❖ Naama Kellman
- ❖ Elizabeth Lee
- ❖ Donna Liotta
- ❖ Katelyn Masullo
- ❖ Olivia Matos
- ❖ Alexis Mouzakes
- ❖ Abigail Smentkowski
- ❖ Christina Martinelli
- ❖ Alexandra Pigliavento



AFSC'S 1ST ANNUAL BASIC SKILLS & OPEN COMPETITION

Sanctioned by USFS!
Registration forms are out!

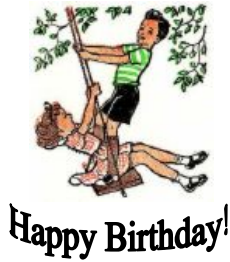
It is going to take a lot of manpower to get this competition up and running. Many have already volunteered but we need volunteers for the following tasks:

1. Ice Monitors: 2-hour shifts. Contact JoAnne Morrow 429-7861 or icezilla07@yahoo.com
2. Registration Table: Contact Mary Gillies 478-9925 or ampmgillies@aol.com
3. Assembling registration goody bags (to be done ahead of time). Contact Laurie Lombardi bricelal@acp.edu.
4. Next-to-New Sale: Contact Jeanie DiNapoli 439-0280 or chocoffee58@yahoo.com.
5. Announcing & Playing Music: Contact Marc Tracey marcnny@aol.com or 479-4070
6. Food donations for coaches: Contact Stacie Kuglin 383-3114 or staclin@aol.com.
7. Awards Ceremonies: Contact Laurie Lombardi @ bricelal@acp.edu.

Hosting a competition also costs a lot of money. The club has some reserve but will need more money than registration fees alone can pay for. Over the next few months you will be asked to contribute in many ways. One way to help is to put a "Skate-O-Gram" wishing your skater luck in our official competition program. See form available on-line.

Questions about the Open Competition? Contact Laurie Lombardi @ bricelal@acp.edu.

Questions about the Basic Skills Competition? Contact Janet Sotola @ jsotola@nycap.rr.com.



- Morgan Gillies July 16!
Gina DiNapoli July 11!
Amanda Gemmiti July 25!
Claire Triller July 3!
Naama Kellman June 8!
Stephanie Lombardi June 18!
Anne Kennedy June 23!
Alexis Mouzakes June 4!
Kacie Weatherhead June 5!
Madeline Olberg June 14!
Emily Mueller July 22!
Maggierose Smith June 13!



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

1. **August 19:** "Artistry in Motion" Performance School for Figure Skaters at Amelia Park Arena, Westfield, MA..
2. **August 30:** Last day of summer ice. All make-ups must be used by this date, as they will not transfer to our fall ice. Our fall ice should start promptly.
3. **August 27:** Last day of our summer Basic Skills & Advant-Edge program. Basic Skills & Advant-Edge will continue starting October 27 at the Albany Academy.
4. **August 30:** Last day of our first Beginner Ice Dance Program. Information for future ice dance classes will be available during the month of August.
5. **October 27-28:** Albany FSC 1st Annual Open & Basic Skills Competition at the Clifton Park Arena. Start working on those programs!
6. **October 28:** USFS test session at the Clifton Park Arena.

COACHES!

All coaches using Albany FSC ice must submit current proof of liability insurance coverage. Most presently on file have expired! We need ALL coaches to have proper insurance on file before our new season begins in September. Coaches can give to the session supervisor or submit to: Tara DiRisio, 58 Devonshire Dr. Slingerlands, NY 12159.

PLEASE HELP!
VOLUNTEERING IS A
NECESSARY PART OF
BELONGING TO A CLUB

1. **Fall/Winter 2007-2008 Basic Skills:** Seeking adult skater who would be willing to help out on the ice. Duties would be monitoring skaters' behavior for safety reasons, assisting in the event of an accident, helping younger skaters practice.
2. **Session Supervisors:** Fall ice packages will be out soon. As always we will need session supervisors to sign skaters in and play music. *This summer we have no volunteers to play music – every time a coach has to go play music the skater's family loses money as it takes away lesson time.* So, when the fall packages come out PLEASE sign up to help out with these duties!
1. **AFSC's 1st Open & Basic Skills Competition:** Many volunteers are needed for various jobs. See section about competition for further information.

ITEMS OF INTEREST:

2. Off-Ice Dance & Performance Classes by Paula Wagener. Wednesday's 2:30-3:15 starting July 18 in the Albany County Hockey Facility lobby. \$12.00 per class For information contact Paula @ 928-6320.
3. "Artistry in Motion" Performance School for Figure Skaters August 19, 2007 @ Amelia Park Arena, Westfield, MA. Under the direction of Paula Wagener. For more information email Paula @ 928-6320 or pwagener58@msn.com.
4. Changes to the 2007-2008 Qualifying Competition Season: Online registration requirement (does not apply to

Collegiates or Adults). Beginning this year, online registration is the ONLY acceptable method of entry into the qualifying competition season. There are NO paper entry forms. You will access online registration by logging in at www.usfsaonline.org. A user name and password are required. Your user name is your USFS membership #. If you do not already have a password, go to www.usfsaonline.org and follow the online instructions. Registration is tentatively scheduled to open July 16 so be sure to REGISTER EARLY to avoid any complications prior to the September 1, 2007 deadline.

UPCOMING COMPETITIONS
FOR THE SEASON:

USFS COMPETITIONS:

1. August 1-4: 2007 Lake Placid Ice Dance Competition: Lake Placid, NY
www.lakeplacidskating.com
2. August 16-18 Skate Chautauqua: Jamestown, NY
www.chautauquaice.com
3. August 22-25: 2007 Cranberry Open: Kingston, MA www.yarmouthiceclub.org
4. September 13-16 2007 Boston Open: Boston, NY www.scboston.org
5. October 27 & 28 AFSC's 1st Annual Open & Basic Skills Competition: Clifton Park Arena, Clifton Park, NY
www.albanyfsc.org

UPCOMING USFS TEST
SESSIONS:

1. Friday August 24: @ Saratoga Springs, Weibel Rink given by SSFSC.
2. Sunday October 28: @ Clifton Park Arena, Clifton Park, NY given by AFSC.
3. Sunday November 18: @ Saratoga Springs, Weibel Rink given by SSFSC.
4. Sunday January 13, 2008 @ Saratoga Springs, Weibel Rink given by SSFSC.
5. Sunday March 30, 2008 @ Saratoga Springs, Weibel Rink given by SSFSC.

NEXT BOARD MEETINGS

Tuesday August 28 6:30-8:30 PM @ the Delmar YMCA. All are welcome to attend.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Membership as of July 22, 2007:

- [AFSC Membership 2007-2008 86!](#)
(we are still waiting for many renewals!)
- [Basic Skills Membership 109!](#)

INTERESTED IN
MEMBERSHIP TO ALBANY
FIGURE SKATING CLUB?

Contact Membership Chair Janet Sotola @ jsotola@nycap.rr.com for information & registration form or go to our website: www.albanyfsc.org.

