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CENTENNIAL GALA ICE SHOW REPORT

Kelly Farmer, Centennial Gala Coordinator

Wow.....what a show!

Sunday, February 18th is a date we will not soon forget. The Centennial Gala Ice Show held at the John Labatt Centre was a terrific success. To see a smile on all the club skaters and guest skaters alike is what it is all about!

Thank you to all of you for your support before the show with the many practices, costume fittings, and mountains of notes on where and when to have the skaters. Also thank you to all the skating fans that have sent numerous e-mails, thank you cards and phone calls, to various members of the committee and the LSC office congratulating the committee on an outstanding show.

It truly takes a team to make this work and I'm glad to have had such great co-operation from the outstanding staff at the John Labatt Centre, parent's, skaters, coaches, volunteers and committee members.

A special thank you is extended to the rest of the gala committee which I had the honour of working with on this event: Mary Burdon, John Alguire, Cathy Alguire, Linda Taylor, Janie Nichol, Deb Neale, Don Minnema, Bill Boland, Paul Moir, Evelyn Bastow, Mary Lou Marchant, Rick Moss, Lisa Wholers, Karen Edens, Som Pravongviengkham.

There are many of you to thank! I can't name everyone as we had close to 100 volunteers for this event. Amazing! We couldn't have done it without you.

I have to mention some of my coaching colleagues as they volunteered their time to help keep your children safe and sound and did a terrific job: Stefanie Szpak, Michelle Rothwell, Courtney McCormick, Sarah Schrubbsall, Laurel Soanes, Amanda Eccles, Charlotte McLean, & Shannon Moxey.

Much appreciation is extended once again to our sponsors, BMO,

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Charterhouse Printing Services, A Channel, Bastow Family, Western Fair, and Standard Radio. Without our sponsors, this event would not have been possible. A huge thank you is extended to Rick Graham “That Man” for his outstanding help with security at the rehearsals and show, and to Brent Crowther for his help with the show. You guys were great!

To all the sign in/out volunteers, to dressing room parents.....THANK YOU!

Last but not least, thank you to Lynda Alguire (Lynda’s Skating Apparel and Dancers’ Den) for the beautiful costumes. The little skaters are even sleeping in them!

It truly was a great night of skating, which will soon be available for purchase on DVD. Watch for more information at your sessions. There are also \$5.00 collectors “100 Years of Skating, London Skating Club Pins” available for purchase at your various sessions, or from me. HAPPY 100th!

Editors note: and a big thank you goes to Kelly Farmer who was to kind of thank everyone else but herself. Thanks Kelly from your LSC family!!

Congratulations to the following London Skating Club members who passed their CanSkate badge in November 2006:

Preschool: Rebecca Mendes, Nathaniel Lewis, Abby Seabrook, Payton Muncaster

Stage 1: Finn O'Hara, Chenchen Peng, Kyla Presseau, Camryn Gaudet, Natalie Priamo, Alexa Parkinson, Ciera Covey, Jenna Parkinson, Devon Lanigan, Claire Morris, Reema Shahin, Ilana Abbey, Nathan Christian, Gregory Grayson,

Stage 2: Janna Galat, Katarina Galat, Madison Pinto, Julia Peng, Patrick Bylsma, Dee Jay Seeley, Grace Murray, Ilana Abbey, Marina Everest, Margaret Atkinson, Zack Woodward

Stage 3: Justin DiNardo, Winnie Lu, Alexis Cronk, Eleonore Julien,

Stage 4: Rozhin Rezaei, Erika Lumsden, Jarod Fagan, Isabel Kennedy, Emily Brooks, Kiera Desender,

Stage 5: Natalie Kenzie, Stephanie Brooks

Go Backwards: Alyssa Coelho, Susan Cooke, Alexis Cronk, Nathan Farren, Danielle Greene-Lawler, Charlotte LaBelle, Rohzin Rezael, Claire Swift, Nicole Waller, Kurt Watson, Lindsay Wong

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 27, 2007

Test Day
Farquharson Arena (all regular session cancelled at this location)

February 28, 2007

CanSkate sessions cancelled
Nichols Arena

March 1, 2007

Test Day
Nichols Arena (all regular session cancelled at this location)

March 7, 2007

Bingo

March 10, 2007

Bingo

March 16, 2007

Day Ice Cancelled

March 21, 2007

Test Day
Nichols and Western Fair Arenas (all regular session cancelled at these locations)

March 22, 2007

Test Day
Nichols Arena (all regular session cancelled at this location)

March 25, 2007

Skate-A-Thon

March 25, 2007

Bingo

April 1, 2007

Junior Olympics

April 2007

Spring Session Begins

May 8, 2007 (to be confirmed)

LSC AGM Meeting
Nichols Arena

From The Office

Kelly Farmer

SPRING SKATING

Spring skating sessions will be offered once again this year by the London Skating Club. We are currently waiting on ice confirmation before we can establish a schedule for the spring. If you are currently a London Skating Club member for the 2006-2007 season and are skating at winter school, you will be notified at your session or via the newsletter about spring registration. If you or your child is interested in joining the London Skating Club for the spring, please forward your name, address and postal code to: londonsc@execulink.com. As soon as the schedule is available, it will be sent to you!

LOST & FOUND

A large number of items have been collected at the arena during the winter and has been kept in the London Skating Club Storage Room. Also many costume pieces and a pair of glasses were found after the London Skating Club Centennial Gala at the John Labatt Centre. If you are missing something, please notify the LSC office to claim it. Items not claimed by the end of winter school will be donated to charity.

BULLETIN BOARD AND WEBPAGE

Don't forget to regularly check the London Skating Club bulletin board which is located at Nichols Arena by the Concession Stand and the club webpage at www.londonskatingclub.com. Information on cancellations, calendars, upcoming skating seminars, test days etc., can be regularly found at these locations!

The Olympics Are Coming!

Michelle Rothwell

This years Junior Olympics will be held on Sunday April 1, from 12-4 p.m. at Nichols Arena. Forms are available at the CanSkate table. Don't delay! Forms are due by March 10. It is free and each child walks away with the very own medal. Pizza, a skating boutique and photographer will be available to capture this special day.

Editors note: This is a 'Can't Miss' event for you and your budding skater. I am confident you will be as impressed as my wife and I were at our first Olympics event, and your skater will have the time of their life.

Your Board

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Mary Burdon

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Test Chair

Mary Burdon

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Steve Komarnicky

Music Chair

Randy Hearn

LSC CENTENNIAL GALA MEMORIES

Kelly Farmer

LSC CENTENNIAL GALA DVD

The London Skating Club Centennial Gala Ice Show DVD is now available for purchase. Pick up your order form today from your session, the London Skating Club bulletin board at Nichols (near the concession stand), or from Kelly Farmer, LSC office.

The cost of the DVD is \$31.80 which includes tax. These will be available for purchase for a limited time only!

LSC CENTENNIAL GALA COLLECTORS PINS

Skaters and fans alike for years have been collectors of skating pins.

Don't miss out on your chance to pick up the "London Skating Club 100 Years of Skating" collector pin.

Pins are only \$5.00 and are available at all Preschool/CanSkate sessions from the table, or from Kelly Farmer, LSC Office.

Limited number available.....great for trading too!

Competitive Skating Update

Stephen Komarnicky

Many individuals have done well this year representing the London Skating Club throughout the year. Watch for the next newsletter for a year ending wrap-up detailing how each skater did during the season.

Off to the Provincial Championships sponsored by Boston Pizza are the following skaters that either Home with the London Skating Club or skate a significant amount on LSC sessions: Jenna Zaleski and partner Andrew Dwyert, Brittaney Everett, George Tzortzis and Rebecca Jackson. Beverly Dodge and Avu Koskela (LSC Adult members) are off to the National Adult Championships in Calgary, and Allison Proudfoot is also representing Canada at the World Synchronized Skating Championships right here in London at the JLC!! Way to go to all of these LSC skaters and to all of the competitive skaters on a great season!!!

The Pre-juvenile Synchronized Skating team earned 3rd place at the Bernie Deveau competition at the beginning of February in St. Thomas. The team has been asked to skate and represent the London Skating Club on New Day, the morning program at A channel on March 8th. The theme of the skate is Pirates of the Caribbean. Way-to-go, Team!!

Synchronized Skating Team News

Deb Neale

The Skaters have represented LSC very well over the past two months.

- Our youngest team the pre-juvenile, had their very first competition on Feb. 2 in St. Thomas. This team finished close to the bottom last year and this year was 4th out of 9 teams after their first skate. They were extremely happy with this placing; however they ended up capturing the bronze medal and were ecstatic! They have one more competition in March.
- The juvenile team has had quite a year. They were judged for the first time ever with the new system, implemented at the Regional competition in North Bay. This is a very competitive category as we are competing against the top teams in all of Ontario. Earlier in the season this team finished in 7th and 8th place. They were crossing their fingers to perhaps move up to a 6th place finish at Regional's. They were very excited when they exceeded their expectations and finished 4th. They were actually 3rd in the second skate. They have gone on to win Gold at the Bernie Deveau competition.
- The Junior team was kept alive with the addition of 3 Open Girls who double teamed. This was to be mainly a development year but this team exceeded all expectations. They won a bronze medal at the Lloyd Olgilvie competition as well as representing London with rave reviews at a London Knights Hockey Game.
- The Open team has been working extremely hard on and off the ice. The Managers have been working non-stop as well to help fund the \$10,000 trip to Nationals in Chicoutimi, Quebec. They had their first taste of the new judging system at Regional's winning the bronze medal and made a huge improvement scoring 37 points higher than they received at Nationals last year. They are very optimistic and would love to bring home some hardware from Nationals. This team will be representing London at the Gala as well as the Old Timers Hockey Game on Tuesday Feb. 20, 7:00 pm at the JLC and then they leave directly for Quebec.
- All of our teams have raised the bar this year which was our goal. They have all won medals and as one parent put it "we are on a roll" lets continue the momentum. We hope to implement more stroking next year through our fundraising. I also have to mention Andrea Clement, who not only helps with the pre-juvenile team, runs their off-ice and does an amazing job with the synchro portion of the website. She along with many other Managers and parents has helped to make this season such a success. Everyone is welcome to come out and watch the teams skate on Sunday March 4 from 1:15 – 2:05 "C" Pad at Nichols arena.

Santa Claus Parade a Success!!!

A special thank you is extended to the organizing committee of the Santa Claus Parade float that was entered into the London Santa Claus on November 25th. A lot of work was put into making this happen. A sincere thank you to Pete & Michelle Rothwell, David & Judi Proudfoot & Jodi & Darren Walz for their hours and hours of work before and during the parade. Thank you also to the Junior Synchronized Skating Team and all the skaters on the float for your dedication. The London Skating Club also received much needed donations from both Capitol Printers here in London and from Bruce R. Smith Ltd., in Mississauga. Thank you also to all the folks who donated items for use on the float!

Volunteers will be needed once again in the Fall 2007 if we wish to make this a yearly event. Contact the LSC office if you are interested in learning how you can be part of the LSC Parade Team!!

Congratulations to the following London Skating Club members who passed their CanSkate badge in December 2006:

Preschool: Dawson Everest, Bennett Moore, Jared Couture

Stage 1: Luke Ciapka, Erica Clancy, Sarah Clancy, Milana Torhjelm, Rachel Marshall, Max Vandervelden, Kyle Ramey, Sam Ramey, Nathan Duwyn, Chloe Nichol

Stage 2: Aidan Shimizu, Julien Lepage, Patrick Davies, Abby Riddell

Stage 3: Penny Appleton, Hannah Barrett, Alexander Tzortzis

Stage 4: Annie Barham, Maeson van Meerbergen, Claire Swift

Stage 5: Samantha Goodison, Madisyn Walz

Congratulations to the following London Skating Club members who passed their CanSkate badge in January 2007:

Preschool: Jett Wombwell, Lukas Casavechia, Josh Cunningham, Saif Shahin, Paige Lavoie, Nate Johnson, J.T. Sheardown, Holly Bolton, Ryan Dube, Roj Miguel Abdullah, Shebab Badran, Megan Esler, Daniel Farren, Zachary Groulx, Shayla Imbroll, Landin Osborne, Caroline Martin-Smith, James Morrison, Corson Roy, Dylan Torhjelm, Hannah Wong, Dylan Torhjelm, Lucas Bradburn

Stage 1: Rebecca Mendes, Karley Wharton, Sarah Sugimoto, Jackson Huang, Jasmynn Will, Carly Malloy, Sonny Huang, David Archibald, Sydney Bristoll, Emma Tippler, Hanna Rowe, Lauren Rowe, Michael Adams, Jacob St. Pierre, Haley Bain, Jordan Huang, Alexis Wharton, Alexandra Chin, Payton Muncaster, Nathaniel Lewis,

Stage 2: Madeleine Bennett, Paige Cameron, Torin Schmidt, Laura Dennistson, Aidan Ferguson, Logan Wong, Chenchen Peng, Theresa Skubic, David Archibald, Sydney Bristoll, Jeremy Hall, Brenna Schmidt, Emily Grayson, Ivana Jovicic, Jordan Huang, Erica Clancy, Sarah Clancy, Megan Dodge, Reema Shahin, Jasmynn Will, Gregory Grayson

Stage 3: Vanessa Eedy, Zachary Palmatier, Clara Brown, Kaley Clarke, Leah Marshall, Devan VanSlyke, Kennedy Couture, Carlijn Van Kessel, Katarina Galat, Victoria Chubb, Preston Entwistle, Jerry Kim, Jamie Prowse, Ava Wombwell

Stage 4: Marissa Marshall, Charlotte LaBelle, Kaitlyn Groenewegen, Deanna Gooden, Sean Walter, Nathan Farren, Lindsey Wong, Alexis Cronk, Rachel Haggith, Danielle Green, Justin DiNardo, Winnie Lu, Shaeleigh O'Neil

Stage 5: Rohzin Rezaei, Tatiana Desender

Credit Policy Due To A Skating Injury

Injuries are never fun, but when a skater misses a significant amount of time, it can also result in a significant amount of skating sessions being paid for but not used by the skater. Even though most other sports will not issue a credit or refund if an athlete is injured during a season, regardless of the reason or how the athlete is injured, the London Skating Club has decided that it is in the best interest of the Club and families if we offer some credit in the unfortunate event of an injury as the result of skating takes place on LSC sessions. The credit is not 100% as there are costs that the club incurs regardless, but there is a credit just the same. As such, the board passed a resolution to establish formally the credit policy in the event of an injury to the skater.

Any skater that misses four or more consecutive weeks due to an on ice injury on a LSC Session, and supplies a doctors note to the ice convener for the level they are currently skating that indicates the injury is the result of the on ice activity and has evidence the injury occurred during a LSC session, is entitled to a credit of 50% of the prorated amount of the session amount missed. This policy is effective February 13, 2007.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this new policy, please submit your question or concern in writing to the LSC office by March 13, 2007.

Board Members Needed

Every year a few good working volunteers that have contributed to the club by sitting as a board member have their two year term come to an end. This year we have four members terms ending. Even though a few may decide to remain on the board, we are sure to need a few new volunteers to sit on the board. The activity the new board members would do is worked out between all board members at the first board meeting in May.

If you are wishing to become a board member or have questions about becoming a board member, please submit your name to a board member or the LSC office. The board is always in need of new ideas and new perspectives. The board meets once per month as a group. Other time required depends on the role you volunteer for on the board.

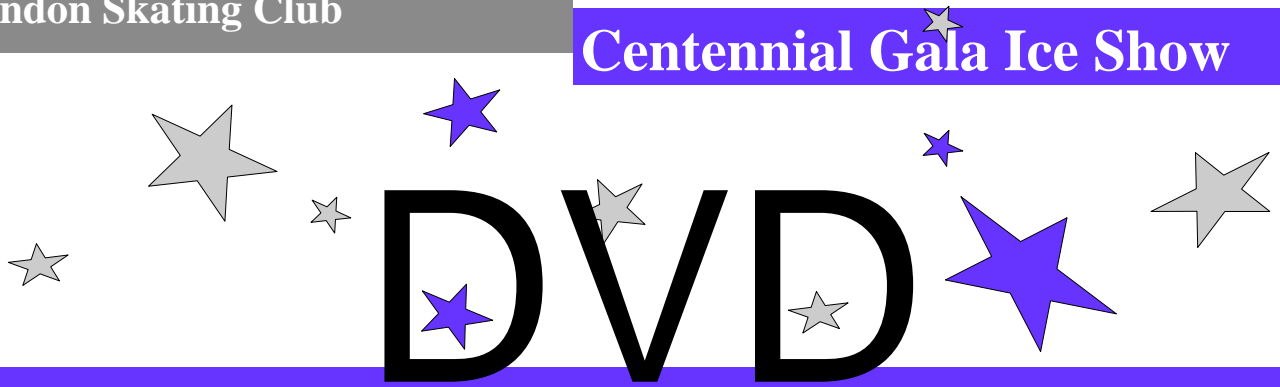
As a thank you to volunteering your time, all board members have their contingency cheque requirement waived during their term on the board.

The Second Annual LSC Skate-A-Thon

David Proudfoot

The second annual LSC Skate-a-thon is quickly approaching. This year the event will be held on March 25th, 2007. More details will be handed out to the skaters during an upcoming skating sessions.

Like last year, you will get instant credits back based on your funds raised, allowing you to get direct rewards for getting more donations than others. This years prize for the top fundraiser will be a poster signed by the skaters that participated in the LSC Centennial Gala, one poster per skating category. Watch for the details on this and possibly other rewards for the top fundraisers!! Thanks to the Centennial Gala Committee for this terrific gift.



Purchase your copy of the London Skating Club
Centennial Gala Ice Show!

\$31.80 (taxes included)

Complete the below form and return it to the London Skating Club office at Nichols Arena or
Kelly Farmer.

All cheques are to be made out to **LSC GALA.**



Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Phone Number: _____

Pre-school/ Canskate	Preliminary	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Adult
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<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday				<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday	

Number of DVD's _____ X \$31.80 = _____

ALL FORMS ARE DUE BY MARCH 5, 2007