

# Message from the President:

For many people, snow means lifting heavy snow, no sun for weeks on end and cold temperatures. For skaters it means practices, competitions and friendships. The winter season is when the skate hits the ice for most skaters. While we do operate year round (one of the few in Ontario that does offer ice year round), the winter season is when most activities take place and is the longest in duration of the four seasons we split the year into. This is the time we have the most ice rented, the most test days and the most competitions.

As I type this, we are preparing for a number of events. We have the year ending competitions for the individual/pair skaters as well as the Synchronized Skating teams, we have the bi-annual 'Junior Olympics' and the Club Annual Meeting to name but three. We also have other routine work such as preparing for the Spring and Summer Sessions and volunteering at numerous fundraising events to name but two.

Being involved In the Club activities is fun. I would not do it if it was not fun, and I am sure many others would echo this. I strongly encourage you to consider being more active in the Club. Being active could be volunteering for a few fundraisers, selling magazine orders, sitting on a committee, or being on the board. There are many ways you can help. Some are very minimal in time commitment, others a little more. But all are very satisfying. They all support the main goal of the organization – to maximize the skating opportunities for the membership.

Stephen Komarnicky London Skating Club President

## Adult Sessions- Thompson Arena-UWO

The adult members of the club are enjoying their sessions Thursday morning and Friday & Saturday evenings at Thompson arena. There is a group stroking lesson at all sessions and a group dance lesson on the Thursday morning session, taught by Charlotte McLean. Our Beginner skaters are also making progress.

Our Thursday skaters enjoyed a Christmas lunch at the Milestone Restaurant in December and our evening members enjoyed Christmas goodies at the rink after skating. We invited any adults who are skaters or wish to learn to skate to give our session a try. At present we have skaters from 18 years old to 82 years old enjoying free skating and dancing in a friendly atmosphere.

MEMBERSHIPS ARE NOW HALF PRICE. FREE PARKING AT THE ARENA ENTRANCE. FOR INFO OR BROCHURE PLEASE CALL EVELYN BASTOW -519-434-1973 OR MAISIE ALLEN 519-451-4527

## Test Day Results from February 8th:

#### **Skills**

Ir. Silver

Deanna Gooden

Emma Tiede

Alicia Harris

Sr. Silver Skills

Anna McMullin

## **Introductory Interpretive**

Erika Boudreau

Deanna Gooden

**Silver Interpretive** 

Cassandra Harris

**Gold Interpretitive** 

**Brooke Marshall** 

**Shelby Crampton** 

**Emily Galan** 

#### **Dances**

Willow

Leanna Noel

#### European

Kaitlin Farren

**Maddison Chute** 

Alicia Harris

Emma Millward

**Keats Foxtrot** 

MacKenzie Murray

**Harris Tango** 

Veronica Maurice

American Foxtrot

Katie Edwards

**Starlight Waltz** 

Cassandra Harris

**Blues** 

Katie Graham

**Argentine Tango** 

**Brooke Marshall** 

Congratulations to LSC Synchronicity Teams who competed at the North Bay Regional Synchronized Championships on February 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>

Juvenile- 5<sup>th</sup>

Pre- Novice- 2<sup>nd</sup>

Intermediate-2<sup>nd</sup>

Adult I- 1<sup>ST</sup>

Good Luck to the Intermediate team who qualified to represent the Western Ontario Section at the 2011 National Synchronized Championships in Brampton, Ontario.





Congratulations to the following skaters who competed at the Charles

Dover Competition in Grimsby on Jan. 8/Jan. 9, 2011

Bev Dodge - 2nd, Bronze Women's, Adult Interpretive

Emme Chute - 3rd, Western Ontario Development Team, Level 2

Maddison Chute - 8th, Western Ontario Preliminary A, Flight 4

Pam Carrothers - 5th, Silver Women, Adult Interpretive

Shari Spada - 6th, Gold Women, Adult Interpretive

Shelby Komarnicky - 12th, Senior Bronze Ladies STARSkate

Congratulations to the Synchronicity Teams who competed at the Lloyd Ogilivie Memorial competition on January 22-23, 2011 in Aylmer, ON.

Elementary: 4<sup>th</sup> place Juvenile: 2<sup>nd</sup> place Pre- Novice: 1<sup>st</sup> place Intermediate: 1<sup>st</sup> place Adult I: 2<sup>nd</sup> place



# Show It Off for Skate Canada

Although the London Skating Club did not win the "Show it off for Skate Canada Contest", the London Skating Club did receive honourable mention from A jury of judges, made up of Skate Canada CEO William Thompson, Skate Canada President Benoît Lavoie and 2008 World Champion Jeff Buttle!

CONGRATULATIONS, and thank you for everyone who donated their time!



The London Skating Club has updated the Safety Rules and Ice Etiquette. For the protection of all, members are asked to visit the website and read the amendments. The rules cover skater conduct and ice etiquette as well as consequences.

Please go to www.londonskatingclub.com and click on "Rules and Policies."

Thank you for your conscientious efforts to keep the London Skating Club a safe place to skate.



## 2011 Ontario Skater's Promotions Contest - Ticket Stubs

Thank you to all London Skating Club members and their families for supporting the London Skating Club with this fundraising endeavor.

The draw will be held on March 12, 2011, at the Ontario StarSkate Provincial Championships for your chance to win the 2011 Ford Mustang, \$5,000 Home Entertainment Centre, \$3,500 Travel Certificate, \$2,000 Laptop Computer with

This is the absolute final week that I can accept ticket stubs to enter into the draw as I have to take them to the Skate Canada - Western Ontario office here in London.

Stubs can be returned to myself or slide them under the LSC office door located at Nichols Arena down the hall from A pad. There is a LSC sign on the office door.

## **VOLUNTEERS ALWAYS NEEDED:**

# For more information visit www.londonskatingclub.com

Click on the LSC Board under the main menu, and click on Elaine Desando Volunteer Co-ordinator. Send her a quick email and let her know you are interested in being on a list to be notified when volunteer opportunities arise

Volunteers will get a credit of \$5.00/hr to go towards their next skating registration. It is a great way to meet other skating families and a great way to give back to the London Skating Club!

THANKS IN ADVANCE ©

#### Attention: Open, Preliminary, Jr, Sr, Day Ice Skaters/Coaches:

#### March Break Seminar - Nichols Arena:

Please find attached information and a registration form for the H.O.M.E. Region - Skater Development March Break Seminar that is being held at Nichols Arena.

The London Skating Club is a member of the H.O.M.E. Region of Skate Canada (Huron, Oxford, Middlesex, Elgin), and the region puts on these seminars for skaters in our area. This seminar is for Pre-Preliminary skaters - up to Sr Bronze freekskate.

From experience, the skaters have a great full day of both on ice and off-ice participation.

Gather up your skating friends, and get out there. Skaters will meet lots of new friends from other clubs too.

The deadline for applications as per the attachment is: March 8, 2011

ATTENTION: H.O.M.E. REGION SKATERS!
RE: H.O.M.E. REGION SKATER DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR
DATE: Tuesday, March 15, 2011
Earl Nichols Arena, London
OR
Wednesday, March 16, 2011
Tavistock Arena, Tavistock

TIME: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm (9:00 am -Registration starts)
COST: \$25.00- Please make your cheque payable to the H.O.M.E. REGION

Your H.O.M.E. Region is hosting a WO Skater Development Seminar. The Seminar will be held on Tuesday, March 15, 2011 in London or Wednesday, March 16, 2011 in Tavistock. Registration will begin at 8:30 am with the seminar beginning at 9:00 am promptly. Skaters are asked to bring their own bag lunch, running shoes and bottled water. Skaters will participate in both on and off-ice training sessions during the day.

All skaters working on their *Pre-Preliminary – Senior Bronze Freeskate Level* are welcome to attend. Please fill out the application carefully so we can group your child according to their level of ability. We must have at least 30 skaters to conduct our seminar, with a maximum of 80 skaters. Therefore, please get your applications in early to enable your skater to participate.

Application deadline is *March 8, 2010*No applications will be accepted after this date

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:
Sharon Mann - HOME Region Skater Development Contact
Phone 519-765-1929 Email donshar@eastlink.ca
Or Carol Moir - Skate Canada Western Ontario Skating Programs Coordinator
Phone 519-686-0431 ext 23 Email programs@skating-wos.on.ca

## **Cancellation - Family Day:**

Just a reminder that the Open and Preliminary sessions being held on Monday, February 21st in the evening at Nichols are cancelled due to Family Day. Also, the day ice session in the morning at Kinsmen is cancelled.

Please note that the Pre-Novice team, will still run their practice on Family Day at Nichols from 7:30-9:20 pm. All other sessions are cancelled.

## Junior Olympics - Winter Wrap Up Day:

Keep your calendar clear for Sunday, April 3rd at Nichols Arena. Information for CanSkate/Preliminary and how to sign up for this exciting wrap-up winter event are coming soon! Junior and Senior skaters, sit tight for an exciting announcement about a "Special Guest" coming to your event. A few details are still being ironed out, and then we will make the grand announcement!!

Fred's Photography will be at the event on Sunday, April 3rd in the Meeting Room for picture taking/orders.....SMILE:)

### **Spring/Summer Registration:**

The London Skating Club has just received ice confirmation from the City of London for both spring & summer sessions. All programs will be held at Nichols Arena.

We are currently working on getting the spring brochure finalized. Keep an eye out on the website for online registration hopefully within the next week or two at the most.

Summer information should be available NLT mid-March at this point. Don't forget, make your own summer package options will be available once again to accommodate summer holidays, other camps etc. \*NEW\* this year some evening ice, as well as daytime ice. More info to follow!

I'll notify everyone when spring/summer registration will begin when details have been finalized.

All the best for the remainder of the winter skating season.

Kelly Farmer
Administrative & Promotions Coordinator
London Skating Club

### **SPRING 2011**

# <u>Evening Program sessions – April 11-June 9 – Test Day – June 13</u> <u>Day Ice Program (separate registration through office for qualified Preliminary, Jr, Senior, Adult skaters – April 4-June 10<sup>th</sup></u>

Session	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nichols Arena is located at 799 Homeview Road, London	<u>8 weeks:</u> Cancelled Mon, May 23 <sup>rd</sup> (Victoria Day)	8 weeks: singles (no singles session on Tues, April 12 <sup>th</sup> only!)  1 week - synchro try outs Tues, Apr 12 See below	9 weeks:	8 weeks: Singles (no singles session on Thurs, April 21st only!)  1 week- Synchro try outs Thurs, Apr 21	No ice:
Preschool	Nichols 6:40-7:20			Nichols 5:10-5:50	
CanSkate	Nichols 6:30-7:20			Nichols 5:00-5:50	
Preliminary – Groups	Nichols 5:00-6:20				
Preliminary/Junior – Privates only				Nichols 6:00-7:20 (no stroking)	
Junior – Privates only		Nichols 5:00-6:50 (*w/stroking)			
Junior/Senior – Privates only			Nichols 7:00-8:50 (*w/stroking)		
Senior – Privates only	Nichols 7:30-8:50 (no stroking)	Nichols 7:00-8:50 (*w/stroking)		Nichols 7:30-8:50 (no stroking)	
*Stroking – All 1 hour 50 minute sessions include stroking		*	*		
Synchronized Skating tryouts		Tues, April 12 <sup>th</sup> – 5-9 Nichols		Thurs, April 21st – 5-9 Nichols	

DAY ICE SPRING 2011 - see separate flyer for more information and how to register (Prel, Jr, Sr, Adult who qualify only)

Colour Me:



Help the figure skater through the skating maze to get the gold medal.

