



**important
DATES
to note**

- **Fri Mar 15** - NO yoga class for Intermediate & Senior skaters.
- **Sat Mar 16** – NO off ice fitness for JrPrep through Senior skaters due to StarSkate finals (IFSA off ice stays as regularly scheduled).
- **Spring Break** - Regular ice sessions & schedules & LTS until Sun Mar 24.
- **Spring Break** - March 25-28 – All regular ice sessions scheduled for Junior through Senior skaters and skaters attend their regular days. **NO off ice during Spring Break.**
- **NO IFSA & JrPrep during Spring Break** – IFSA & JrPrep skaters have no classes from March 25-28.
- **Easter Weekend** – No ice or off ice on Fri Mar 29, Sat Mar 30, & Sun Mar 31. Back to the ice on Mon April 1.

Saturday Seminars

We ask all skaters for the **Sa1** & **Sa2** Saturday Seminar classes to **BE ON TIME!** Arriving late is disruptive to the flow of these group classes.

Club Volunteers

NEW Volunteer Shifts have been posted for Sun April 14.

If you need a Club shift to meet your requirement – please sign up!

Q's: volunteers@derrickskating.ca

Sign up is done from the registration page. Scroll down till you see “Add Volunteer Position” on the left and select your shift!

Program Assistant of the Month

This month, we give a shout out to **Mia Ramirez** & **Sofia Williams** as our Program Assistants of the month for February.

Mia & **Sofia**– Thank you for enthusiastically taking on the challenges of managing your own group. You have both done an amazing job with the extra responsibility.

Please see coach Cecilia, coach Karin, coach Megan J, or Cindy in the office for your gift card prize!
~ **DSC Coaching Team**

Competition Volunteer Shifts

All skater families **MUST** complete their required shifts (based on skater level) during the weekend of March 15-17, 2024 during the StarSkate & Adult Championships weekend at Terwillegar Arena, or the deposit will not be refunded.

Check your emails for the Sign Up link sent out on Tues February 27.

All JrPrep through Senior Skater family have been billed a \$200 deposit for these shifts. You **MUST** complete your shifts to receive your deposit back. Deposits will be reconciled and credited to your member account before the end of March and can be used toward your April installment or saved for a future registration.

StarSkate Raffle Table

The DSC will be hosting a Raffle Table at the StarSkate Competition event. If you have any items that can be donated to the table through a business or private family, please contact Helen: fundraising@derrickskating.ca

Dressing Room THEFT

There has been some dressing room theft & mischief. We ask all parents to discuss with their skater's that they are not to move, touch, or take another skater's items in the dressing room. Skaters may bring their items and valuables into the player's boxes & store them neatly under or on the benches.

Skater must be respectful to one another & each other's personal items.

April & May ARENA CHANGES (April 1-May 16)

On April 1, our ice contract switches to our Summer contract. This brings change – but **ONLY 2 days** are affected, **Wednesdays & Thursdays.**

Wednesday ice will move from Meadows to Confed Arena. This move goes from 2 ice surfaces to one. See the attached schedule for the session changes.

Thursday ice has Kinsmen and Confed swap schedules. The schedules remain exactly the same, except Confed skaters move to Kinsmen & Kinsmen skaters move to Confed. This also affects LTS (and PA's).

Upcoming B I N G O @ Parkway Bingo: 8775-51 Ave

Next Bingo: **Mon March 4 (4:30 - midnight)**

Working bingos earn DSC families valuable ice credits to offset their ice fees! Workers must arrive on time for shifts. Shifts are filled on a first come, first served basis.

The Mon March 4 Bingo is filled. The next DSC bingo will take place on Sunday May 12, 2024. Sign up will be announced in the April newsletter. Bingo shifts can **ONLY** be signed up for through Uplifter. From DSC website, click “registration”, scroll down & click “Add Volunteer Position”.

***Please note the fair access to bingos based on skater sessions that each family can sign up for listed in the Skater Handbook (or email the office for details).**

Q's about Bingos? Please email Helen, DSC Fundraising Coordinator: fundraising@derrickskating.ca

FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARDS

Monthly PROMOTIONS for Fundscrip Gift cards means the DSC earns more money back from members gift card purchases!

What are Fundsrip Gift Cards? They are the easiest way for members to spend money in the same ways they already do and support the Derrick Skating Club. **Do you buy groceries, gas, coffee, and birthday gifts?** You can get all these as gift cards! Plan ahead and get into a routine of purchasing your gift cards in advance makes a HUGE difference to the Club and in turn, your skater! There are hundreds of stores and retailers to choose from.

If you buy \$200 to Superstore, \$100 to Esso, & \$25 to Starbucks – you just earned \$11.25 for the Club! 2-10% of the total gift card value is donated to our Club. **We encourage ALL members to consider supporting the Club through these gift cards.**

The QuickStart GUIDE on the Fundraising & Bingo tab of the website (under About Us) will help you set up your account and begin purchasing your gift cards right away!

Website: <https://www.fundscrip.com/login> ; Invitation Code: **YSJZWD**

Name: **Derrick Skating Club Ice Fee Reduction Fund**

EFT forms are available on the Fundscrip website. **We respectfully ask that Fundscrip Gift Cards are purchased by EFT (direct debit) funds ONLY** – Please do not use credit cards to make your purchase or the Club is deducted the 1.99% processing fee.

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