



**important
DATES
to note**

- **Sun May 5** – Assessment Day. No skating sessions disrupted.
 - **Mon May 13** – the Meadows M7 & M8 Pairs session is moved to Millwoods, Arena B.
 - **Wed May 15** – Year end Assessment Day. Affected skaters will be notified of the changes.
 - **Thurs May 16** – LAST skating day of the 2023-2024 Winter sessions. Please make sure your skater is registered for their summer sessions.
 - **May 17 – June 2** – NO skating – Enjoy the break!
 - **Mon June 3** – Back to the ice with the start of June skating programs!
- All June, July, and August Skating is at Confed arena (11204-43 Avenue).**

JrPrep Parent Meeting

Friday May 3 @ 6:15 pm
Meeting just outside the Club office at Confed arena.

Bingo Shifts

We still need 2 Bingo workers for the Sunday May 12 Bingo from 4:30 pm to 10:00 pm plus alternate workers needed in case. Bingo shifts earn you valuable ice credits (\$100-\$150) that you can use toward your skater's registrations. Sign up is done from the registration page. Scroll down till you see "Add Volunteer Position" on the left and then select your shift!

Program Assistant of the Month

This month, we give a shout out to **Angie Chu** as our Program Assistant of the month for April.

Angie helps the Advanced CanSkate group and has been doing a great job working on her own with small groups of skaters on more advanced skills while the coach finishes up their marking. She gives feedback and corrections to the skaters and was a big help to the whole group. Thank you, Angie!!

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

Summer Registration

Summer Skating Registration is open for Figure Skating (Junior Silver, Senior Silver, Gold levels). Registration for IFSA skaters starts on Thursday May 2, and for Junior Bronze skaters on Monday May 6.

Please register early so that coaches can plan lessons and programs.

Club Volunteers

A few Volunteer NEW Shifts have been added to the Uplifter system. All families need to sign up for ONE Club shift through the season (Sept to Aug).

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

Q's: volunteers@derrickskating.ca

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Photo Day

Thank you to all who attended Photo Day. What a great day with so many smiling faces. Proofs and ordering instructions will be emailed out to all families when they are ready for viewing!

Year-End Banquet & AGM - Save the Date

We are excited to be planning our Year-End Skater Banquet & AGM. This will take place on **Sunday June 9, starting at 4:30 pm.**

All IFSA and Figure Skaters, coaches, and families are encouraged to attend. There will be a dinner, gifts for all skaters and PA's, along with awards and recognition for achievements through the season.

Please mark the date in your calendar and plan to attend!

More information to RSVP will be out in a couple of weeks.

Club Sponsorship: The Club is currently preparing our Club Sponsorship Package for the 2024-2025 Season. If you own, work for, or know of any business that may be interested in Sponsorships, please reach out to our DSC Fundraising Coordinator, Helen, at fundraising@derrickskating.ca.

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

Next Bingo: **Sun May 12 (4:30 – midnight)** & **Wed June 5 (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 next DSC bingo will take place on Sunday May 12, 2024 (Mother's Day) – **additional volunteers needed.** Volunteer sign up for the June bingo will start on Tues May 14 at 10:00 am. 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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