



**important
DATES
to note**

- **August Skating Camp** – Runs August 6-16.
- **No ICE** – August 17-25, 2024
- **Fall Kick Off Week** – runs August 26-29, 2024 for Jr Silver, Sr Silver & Gold Skaters. No off ice.
- **No ICE** – August 30-September 2, 2024.
- **Tuesday September 3** – full start to the 2024-2025 Season for all levels of skaters.
- **Save the Date Fall PA Training** – Wed/Thurs September 4/5. See newsletter information!

Video Recording

The Club would like to remind parents that videoing on ice sessions is permitted as long as the video is of your own skater. Videoing other skaters without permission is not permitted.

Volunteer Shifts

Club volunteer shifts for the 2024-2025 season are posted to the website and parents are encouraged to sign up early for their shifts.

From the registration page, scroll down and on the left side, select “Add Volunteer Position”.

Program Assistant of the Month

This month, we give a shout out to **Shalwa Rozikin & Naomi Ammann** as our Program Assistants of the month for July.

Both PA’s were eager and ready to help with anything that was asked of them. They were both very helpful to our new Coordinator Bradley and helped make his transition into his role a little easier by knowing what needed to be done without being told!

Thank you, Shalwa & Naomi! Please see coach Bradley for your gift card prize!
~ **Coach Bradley**

Calling All Program Assistants (PAs)

What is a PA? PAs are a special group of skaters who have been trained by a coach and are a vital part of our program to assist in the delivery of a Skate Canada Program. PAs can also help demonstrate skills and support the newer skaters in our Learn to Skate programs.

PAs earn gift cards (or ice credits) for their time, they receive training and pizza, plus a year end gift from the Club!

To PA in our Learn to Skate (LTS) Program – skaters must be a minimum of 10 years of age and have passed a minimum of ONE Star 3 assessment.

If you have not reached out to express interest in being a part of the Fall PA Team, please email coach Bradley at LTSCoordinator@derrickskating.ca before August 28.

LTS PA Training – Thursday September 5 from 5:00-7:30 pm (Kinsmen Arena). Watch your email for PA Training Day details.

Junior Academy PAs

These PAs have similar responsibilities and benefits to the LTS PAs but work with our IFSA and JrBronze skaters!

To PA in our Junior Program, PAs must have passed their full Star 6 Freeski assessment.

To express interest in the Fall Jr Academy PA Team, please email coach Sandra at LTSCoordinator@derrickskating.ca before August 28.

Jr Academy PA Training – Wednesday September 4 from 6:00-7:30 pm (Meadows Arena). Watch your email for PA Training Day details.

2024-2025 Registration

Registration for the new season is open. Please register as soon as possible. It is important to note both the on ice and off ice times. Session adjustments (to review wait lists and session numbers) will occur in early August, as needed.

Club Sponsorship

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.

Kick Off Week Schedule

Skater can attend on the days they are regularly registered on the session that matches their level. No off ice.

Mon August 26 to Thurs Aug 29

- 1:00-2:00 – Day Ice (incl dance/pairs)
- 2:15-3:15 pm – Day Ice (incl dance/pairs)
- 3:30-4:45 pm – Gold
- 4:45-5:45 – Senior Silver
- 6:00-7:00 pm – Junior Silver
- 7:00-8:00 – Open

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

Next Bingos: Fri August 16 (10:30-3:30pm); Mon Sept 16, 2024 (4:30pm to 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.

Volunteer sign up for the August bingo has started. Sign up for the Sept 16 Bingo starts on Wed Aug 21 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

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.**

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

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

EFT forms are available on the Fundsrip website. **We respectfully ask that Fundsrip 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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