



important DATES to note

- **Mon July 1** – Canada Day – NO Ice or off ice.
 - **Note our THURSDAY Theme Days** – There will be prizes for skaters at each level!
 - **Tues July 16 Sims** – Simulations for all Wild Rose Competitors at Callingwood Arena B – 2:45-5:45 pm. Schedule to be released about 1-week in advance.
 - **Sat July 27** – Assessment Day for Star 6 to Gold skaters as determined ready by their coaches. Schedule available 1-week in advance.
- All July and August Skating is at Confed arena (11204-43 Avenue).**

Summer Off Ice

All skaters **MUST** come to off ice prepared and on time!
 Summer off ice will be held outdoors where appropriate & pending weather.
Please dress appropriately!
 (i.e., wearing runners and a hat, and no long pants on hot days).
Please bring:

- Water Bottle
- Yoga Mat
- Spinner
- Therabands (Exercise Bands)
- Sunscreen (if needed)
- Bug Spray (if needed)

Raffle Items NEEDED

The DSC has been awarded the opportunity to host the Wild Rose Raffle table (August 2-5) which allows us to raise important funds for our Club. If anyone owns a business or knows a business who would like to donate to the raffle –please contact Helen at fundraising@derrickskating.ca.
****VOLUNTEERS** needed for the Raffle table. If you have not fulfilled your Club Volunteer hours, please sign-up ASAP (shifts are posted)! The Raffle Table hours will be the last opportunity to get 2023-2024 volunteer hours done.

Summer Registration

Summer Skating Registration for each week will be open until 5 pm on the Sunday prior to the week starting.
 For Junior Silver, Senior Silver, and Gold levels – make sure you are in contact with your coaches for lesson planning.

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.

New Learn to Skate Coordinator

The DSC is excited to **welcome Bradley Hazelton** to our coaching team as our new **Learn to Skate Coordinator**. Coach Cecilia and coach Karin will be working with Bradley during the Summer LTS camps as he excitedly transitions into his new role.

Bradley comes to us with a wealth of experience. He has been coaching since 1998 in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and for the last 12 years at Calalta. Bradley is NCCP Provincial Trained with a focus on freeski and having harness experience. Figure Skating is a family affair, and he comes from 3 generations in the sport!

Let's welcome Bradley warmly to the DSC family!

DRAFT Fall Figure Skating Schedule

Attached to this newsletter email, you will find a DRAFT version of the full 2024-2025 ice schedule for families to start planning. Minor changes may occur, and the off ice schedule is currently in development which will be added to the final version PRIOR to registration opening.

This season we are fortunate to have been able to acquire some additional ice, however, this comes with additional ice surfaces. It is important to note that we have more than one arena on many days. Choose the session for your skater that aligns with their assigned session level and instructions from their base or foundation coach.

Registration will open toward the end of July. Watch your emails in the coming weeks for the final schedule, along with the Member Handbook, and the opening date for registration.

Summer PA's

Please check your email for the Summer LTS PA schedule. Make sure to reply to that email to confirm!
 Your help through the summer classes is appreciated.

THURSDAY Summer Theme Days

Let's have fun with our Summer Theme Days - there will be prizes for skaters at each level!
 Thurs July 4 - Team Canada Day
 Thurs July 11 - Neon Bright Day
 Thurs July 18 - Pajama Day
 Thurs July 25 - Beach Day
 Thurs August 1 - Crazy Hair Day
 Keep your eyes on Social Media to see the fun!

Fall 2024 Program Assistants (PA's)

Program Assistants (PA's) are an integral part of our Learn to Skate Program. This PA training is mandatory for all returning and new PA's –so **please watch for the date to be emailed out!**

Program Assistants will receive training, compensation (gift cards or ice credits), and a year-end appreciation gifts.

If your skater is interested in PA'ing this Fall, please contact coach Bradley ASAP to let him know.

If your skater is new to PA'ing and is interested in joining the PA Team –they must be 10 years of age and passed a minimum of one Star 3 assessment. Please reach out to coach Bradley to express your interest.

Bradley can be reached at: LTSCoordinator@derrickskating.ca

More details will be emailed out to the PA TEAM in the coming weeks!

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

Next Bingos: Wed July 24 (4:30-midnight); Fri August 16 (10:30-3:30pm)

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 will start on Wed July 17 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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