



important DATES to note

- **Sat May 10: Skating Excellence Seminar** – at Meadows arena. All Confed sessions running as per schedule.
- **Wed May 14: Spring IFSA Performance Day** – Performance event will happen during regular session.
- **Thurs May 15: Assessment Day** – NO regular sessions at Confed. Assessment Day runs 1:30-7:30 pm. Kinsmen sessions run as per regular schedule.
- **Fri May 16 to Sun June 1: Break from the ice** – NO on ice or off ice programming.
- **Sun June 8: Skater Awards Banquet & AGM** – Save the Date

Photo Day Update

There was excellent turn out for the Club Photo Day on Sat April 26.

Note that your proofs will be emailed to you directly and then you will be able to order the pictures you wish.

Program Assistant of the Month

As always, choosing just a few PAs to highlight is no easy task. Every one of you has made meaningful contributions to the program, and your dedication is truly appreciated.

This month, we're recognizing **Abigail So & Mia Ramirez** for their outstanding work!

Mia brings energy and confidence to every Thursday afternoon session. She knows what needs to happen and helps ensure everything runs smoothly for everyone on the ice.

Abigail engages with the skaters in a fun and constructive way, creating a positive learning environment that helps them stay motivated and improve. Both Mia and Abigail help make our sessions a success, and we're grateful for the strengths they bring to the team. **Thank you to Mia, Abigail, and all our amazing PAs** — your hard work and dedication do not go unnoticed. Keep up the great work!

Mia & Abigail – please see coach Bradley for your gift card prize!
~ **Coach Bradley, LTS Coordinator**

Annual Skating Excellence

Our Annual Skating Excellence Seminar is being held on **Sat May 10** (Meadows Arena). This Seminar is for Star 4 & up skaters. It will be facilitated by Bruno Delmaestro and Garrett Gosselin. DSC skaters and coaches will be introduced to new ideas/techniques from highly skilled coaches and this seminar will be an excellent learning opportunity!

Please see the attached flyer and the skater registration deadline is Saturday May 3.

June & Summer Skating Schedules

The June and Summer skating schedules have been posted to the website and registration is now open! Please register ASAP and discuss your skating intentions with your Base/Foundation Coach.

Skater Awards Banquet & AGM

Save the Date for the Skater Awards Banquet & AGM on **Sunday June 8**.

This banquet is for all IFSA & figure skating skaters. Please watch your email for more information in the coming weeks – and we look forward to celebrating all skater achievements from this past season.

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

Next Bingos: Mon May 5 (10:30-3:30 pm) & Sat June 28 (10:30-3:30 pm)

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.

Sign up for the Sat June 28 Bingo will start on Mon June 2 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 Gaelene, DSC Volunteer Coordinator: volunteers@derrickskating.ca

FUNDSCRIP GIFT CARDS

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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.**

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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.

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