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SKATING CLUB

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important DATES to note

- **February 2 – Confed Arena: Assessment Day.** M1 through M6 sessions are cancelled with no Confed off ice. The M7 Open session will still run following the assessment day.
- **February 12 – Kinsmen Arena: Kinsmen Event** – flice time ends at 4:45 pm with no IFSA and no LTS that evening (scheduled OMIT date).
- **February 12: Regular SPARK session** for those registered.
- **Mon February 16: Family Day** – all ice sessions and off ice are cancelled. Enjoy your day off!

Club Volunteers

Be reminded that **ALL** IFSA & Figure Skating Members are expected to **work ONE Club Volunteer Shift per skater, per season** (September 1 to August 31 annually).

We have many tasks at the Club that require a bit of help, and we continue to be short volunteers.

If you do not complete your shift, your member account WILL be billed a \$50 Incomplete Volunteer Shift fee on August 15.

Sign up for shifts from Uplifter registration. Scroll to see “Add volunteer position” tab on the left.
<https://registration.derrickskating.ca/volunteering/search/>

Learn to Skate Recognition!

We’re excited to give a shout out to our **January Coach & PAs of the Month!** This month, we recognize **Ayla Hanson** (Coach of the Month) and **Mya Hicks & Eason Xie** (PAs of the Month) for their outstanding contributions!

Ayla brings incredible energy and creativity to her Pre-Can and CanSkate groups. Her inventive games and engaging teaching style keep skaters smiling, moving, and fully involved—so much so that skaters from other groups are often drawn over to join the fun! Thank you, Ayla, for creating such a positive and exciting learning environment on the ice.

Mya is our dedicated Thursday afternoon PA and is with us all day on Sundays. She consistently arrives early and takes initiative with setup, without being asked. Mya handles the busiest and most chaotic sessions with a calm, steady presence and always ensures everything is left organized at the end of her shifts. She takes direction extremely well and is intuitive to the needs of the coaches and skaters, making her a reliable and valued member of our team.

Eason is a new member of our PA squad and has already made a strong impression. He’s quick to step in—working the doors, helping skaters on and off the ice, picking up extra shifts, and jumping between tasks to keep sessions running smoothly. Eason consistently shows initiative, especially in supporting skaters who need extra help.

A huge thank you to the whole LTS Team. Keep up the great work!
Ayla, Mya, and Eason - please see coach Deborah for your gift card prize!
~ Coach Deborah ~

Spring Registration

This season, our Winter schedule ends on March 29!

We will have the Spring (and Summer) schedules sent out by about February 18th.

Please watch your email for them along with registration information and remember to discuss your registration with your coach!

Ongoing - Stuffie & Toy Drive

Do you have small stuffies or toys that you don’t want or need anymore...

We can help you declutter your home and can put them to great use in our Learn to Skate program!

Please bring all stuffies, toys, mini toy cars/tractors, & games that can be used on the ice.

Please bag or box your items and drop them off in our office with any of the coaches at Confed!

Calling for New Board Members

The DSC is run by a dedicated group of member volunteers who support the Admin and Coaching Teams with support from the Office staff. The DSC is a Governance Board who meets once per month to help support the vision and direction of the skating club in the best interest of the whole skating community.

We are still looking for members who would be interested in:

1. **Vice President** (start ASAP) – supports the President in tasks as needed. Contributes to conversation at meetings and sits on Finance or other committees as needed.
2. **Assessment Coordinator** (to help the current Assessment Coordinator until June for learning and take over after the AGM in June) – the Assessment Coordinator helps to facilitate the Skate Canada assessments (tests) for the skaters with support from the office. This person would start slowly over the next few months, shadowing and learning from the current Assessment Coordinator.

If you would like to learn more about being a part of the Board and supporting the Club – we would like to hear from you! Please reach out to the office (office@derrickskating.ca) to submit your name or for more information about any of the roles listed above or other opportunities that might become available.

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

Next Bingos: Sun April 19 (daytime – 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 April Bingo will open in March. Please watch for sign up information in the March 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 the Office: office@derrickskating.ca