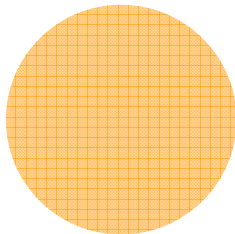


# SIFC Newsletter

February 2007

## Top stories:

- Club Tracksuits
- Test passes
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- Members reps



## Other items of interest:

- Dress sales
- Dates for open competitions
- Watch the best!



Dear members,

A happy new year to you all!

There are many subjects to cover in this first newsletter of 2007 so I will try to be as brief as possible.

Since the election of the new committee at the AGM in December you may have noticed a couple of changes at club. The most noticeable one (I hope) being the table near the rink entrance. Every week there will be at least one committee member manning the table to help with any queries you may have. We will also have entry forms for competition, track suit order forms

and comments forms. Please come and speak to us, we can usually point you in the right direction even if we can't help personally.

Please remember that we committee members are also parents of skaters and understand how confusing it can be for new members and their families - we've all been there and remember it well.

We hope you enjoyed the recent visit and coaching session by Alex Wilde, please let us know if you would like more events like this.

## Club Tracksuits

The suppliers of our club tracksuits are quoting 6-8 weeks delivery, but this can be speeded up if we give a large order.

Since the introduction of the club tracksuits last year we have found a number of benefits. Firstly, they are practical - the tops are lightweight but warm and the bottoms unzip to the thigh which allows for them being removed over boots. Wearing the club name also gives skaters a sense of identity, of belonging. Easily identified at competitions - we have had a number of comments from other clubs that our

skaters are well behaved and always cheer on their fellow club members, which is wonderful to hear!

With competition season rapidly approaching we would like to place a track suit order as soon as possible, so if you would like to order tops and/or bottoms please let us have your completed forms by 9<sup>th</sup> February.



## Congratulations on test passes

December 15<sup>th</sup> had a record number of entries for NISA tests. Congratulations to the following club members on their passes -



Jordan Bonello	Level 9 Elements
Jessica Carroll	Novice Field Moves
Kira Clinton	Level 3 Elements & Free
Lara Conlan	Prelim Field Moves
Julie Cook	Level 8 Free
Morgan Daniels	Level 4 Elements & Free
Rachel Fertnig	Inter-bronze Field Moves
Megan Fidler	Novice Field Moves, Level 1 Elements
Hannah Godfrey	Level 3 Elements & Free
Holly Heath	Level 2 Free
Isabella Larkin	Level 7 Elements & Free
Daisy Leahy	Bronze Field Moves, Levels 3 & 4 Elements & Free
Carmen Lee	Bronze Field Moves, Level 4 Elements & Free
Gemma Lorains	Prelim Field Moves
Sian Morris	Novice Field Moves
Vicki Poole	Level 8 Free
Gemma Stowe	Level 4 Elements
Eleanor Wilkinson	Bronze Field Moves, Compulsory Dance 1



I sincerely hope no-one has been missed off the list, please let me know if this is the case.

*Please let us have  
your comments.....*

## Comments Forms

We welcome your comments and ideas, but for these to be followed up we need to have them in writing. Please find attached to this newsletter a blank comments form - this will also be available to download from the website and at the table on club nights.

Whether you want to have a moan, have a new idea or just want to say that you have particularly enjoyed something please put it on one of these forms.



## Members Reps

There are two skaters reps on the committee - Nicola York and Julie Cook.

They represent the members so need your views and ideas to be able to report back at committee meetings.

Nicola & Julie will shortly be arranging a members' meeting to get ideas together. So, get your thinking caps on and watch the notice board and web site for further details.

## Dress sales

Regular dress sales are held at club.

The second-hand sales are organised by Pauline Bonello and are a useful way to pass on those items that you are bored with or grown out of and also to pick up a bargain.

Just bring along anything you want to sell on the night, clearly labeled with your name and the amount you want - and please remember to take things back that don't sell, Pauline is surrounded by suitcases full of dresses at home!

Sales of new skating attire are a regular feature from both Charlotte Pearce and Love2Skate.

Please note that 10% of all sales goes to help club funds.

Next sale is by Love2Skate on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February and will include flowers and beanies for those of you stocking up for the competition season.

Please watch the notice board and website for further sales.

## Watch the best!

A number of events are happening during February and March -

Fantasy on Ice is taking place at Cardiff International Arena 13<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> February, [http://www.holidayonice.com/uk/fantasy\\_tickets\\_Cardiff.asp](http://www.holidayonice.com/uk/fantasy_tickets_Cardiff.asp) for further details.

The World Figure Skating Championships are in March, visit the ISU website for loads of information plus results from

last week's European Championships - [www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org)

Highlights from the recent British Championships are being televised (and not before time!) and will be shown on Sky Three on 5<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm.

## Stop Press

Don't forget the closing date for entries for next week's Elements Competition is Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February. Skate order will start with highest levels first and will be posted on the notice board.

On Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February, dance instructor Pollyanne will be coming in to provide off ice dance/stretch tuition following both coaching sessions. This will be a taster class and will be free of charge. Please come along and try it out - don't forget to give us your feedback.