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Competition Registration Procedures For skating season 2009 / 2010

Since we have quite a few new skaters in our Canskate 5 and 6 advanced group and our Starkskate sessions, we thought it would be a good idea to give parents some information on competitions.

Several competitions come up during the skating season. Competitions are a fun way to use the skating skills learned. If your coach thinks your skater is ready to compete, she/he will provide your skater with a registration form for each competition event. We will have Skates Alive coming up shortly, so you can expect to receive this registration form for your child soon. Your coach will suggest the events your child is ready for i.e. dance (Dutch Waltz etc.), freeskate, etc. and will complete that part of the form for you.

Below is the procedure you would follow once you have been given a registration form:

1. Complete all other skater information. You and your skater will need to sign it.
2. Determine who your cheque needs to be made payable to. Normally Skates Alive is made out to the Fergus Skating Club, and we send one cheque with all the skater registrations. Skates Alive is due to me by October 20/09. All other competitions are generally made out to the club hosting the event. Please review the registration form for this information.
3. Please note that there are specific deadlines that your registration and payment is due and these will be clearly marked on each registration form. This deadline is required because we have to get the registrations to the clubs hosting the event so they have time to begin scheduling their event.
4. Return your completed form and cheque in an envelope marked
Attn: Joan Koob, Competition Chair. Please submit this by the due date.
5. Place your envelope in the wooden club mailbox located by the skating club office in rink B.
6. Unfortunately if the registration is not in by the due date mentioned by the Fergus Skating Club, your skater may miss out on competing in the event. I will try to keep people updated and informed through the club newsletter and email, so missed entries will not happen, but it is up to you to make sure your child's form and payment is sent in on time.

The one last thing to remember is that we want your child to have fun at the competitions. It is not mandatory that your skater attends a competition, but they may enjoy the day with friends. If you have any questions about competitions, please contact me at 519-846-1631 or email norkoobi@bell.net, or speak to your coach. This letter will be posted on our website www.fergusskatingclub.com, along with other competition information as it becomes available.

Thanks and we wish all skaters best of luck in their competitions this season!
Joan Koob, Competition Chair