

Edmonton Region Open Competition

Announcement

November 28 - 30, 2008

*Hosted by the
Stony Plain Skating Club
TransAlta TriLeisure Centre
Spruce Grove, AB*

*Sanctioned by Skate Canada
#4767*

HOST CLUB INFORMATION**Event Name: Edmonton Region Open Competition****Event Dates: November 28 – 30, 2008****Host Club Name: Stony Plain Skating Club****Competition Chairperson**

Name: Cathy Nielsen

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Name: TransAlta TriLeisure Centre
Address: 221 Campsite Road, Spruce Grove, AB
Phone Number: (780)960-5080
Ice Surface Dimensions: 200' x 85'

Registration Times: 1 hour prior to the first event and continuing throughout the weekend**Accommodation Information**

Host Hotel: Stony Plain Travelodge
Address: 74 Boulder Blvd., Stony Plain, AB
Phone: (780)963-1233
Room Rate: \$98.00 +tax – 2 Queens/non

Other Hotels:

Name: Ramada
Address: 3301 43 Ave, Stony Plain, AB
Phone: (780)963-0222
Room Rate: \$87.30 +tax – Standard; \$99.00 +tax – Kitchenette

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The Event is being held under the current rules of the Association Official Rulebook (revised 2000) and any amendments thereto which became effective after that date. The nature of the Event is defined in the Skate Canada Technical Handbook, 5000 Competitive Program. The Association reserves the right to alter the overall procedures to be followed during any part of the Event, if such alteration is considered to be in the best interest of the skaters or the Association. The Technical Representative, Chief Referee, or Senior Referee present will be the agent of the Association in such an instance.
2. **CATEGORIES:** The following Categories are to be held:
STARSkate Elements, STARSkate Freeskate, Interpretive
3. **SYSTEM OF MARKING:**
Closed marking will be used for all Categories.
4. **SCHEDULE OF PRACTICE TIMES AND EVENT SCHEDULE:** Will be emailed if an address is provided. Otherwise, a schedule will be mailed to all clubs who have skaters in the Event as soon as possible after the closing of the entries.
5. **ENTRIES:** Entrants in Events shall be:
 - a) Eligible persons as defined in Skate Canada Rule Book Section 2100
 - b) Be Associate members in good standing of the Association.
 Registration forms **must be completed in FULL** or they may not be processed!

Restriction of Entries – IF NECESSARY ENTRIES MUST BE LIMITED TO ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES FOR HOURS OF COMPETITION – see Interclub Manual for specific details

Skaters entering multiple events do so with the understanding that there may be conflicts that cannot be resolved.

7. **CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES:** All entries must be received no later than *October 29, 2008*. In the event of a postal disruption it is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that their entry is in to the Host Committee Registration person by the closing date, at their own expense. **ALL QUALIFYING TESTS MUST BE PASSED BY October 29, 2008.**
8. **ENTRY FEES:**

Introductory and Primary	\$45
First Event	\$60
Additional Events	\$45

Cheques or money orders should be made payable to: Stony Plain Skating Club

Mail Entries to: Stony Plain Skating Club
11 Willow Lane
Stony Plain, AB T7Z 0A4

CHEQUES POSTDATED AFTER THE CLOSE OF ENTRIES WILL BE RETURNED, REGISTRATION WILL NOT BE PROCESSED

THERE WILL BE A \$25.00 CHARGE FOR ANY NSF CHEQUES RECEIVED

9. **MUSIC REGISTRATION:** (Rule 5705).

Each skater or pair will provide **2 cassettes or 2 CDs (+ 1 back up cassette) TWO COPIES MUST BE COLLECTED AT REGISTRATION** for the competition upon registration. One for competition (marked as 'Master') and one for back up (marked 'copy'). The competition copy will be played during practices and competition.

Competitors are responsible for the recovery of their own cassettes or CDs at the completion of the Event.

Standard Specifications for Cassettes and CDs:

SKATERS MUST HAVE A BACK UP CASSETTE FOR ALL EVENTS.

- 1) Only one (1) program shall be recorded on each cassette or CD.
- 2) The start of the music shall be recorded on the tape or CD at least 3 seconds following the head leader and not more than 5 seconds.
- 3) Music shall be recorded at equal levels on both left and right channels in stereo.

- 4) Competitor's name followed by music time (not skating time) shall be clearly printed on side one of the cassette or CD.
 - 5) Music recording levels shall be a maximum of 0VU and a minimum of -8VU.
 - 6) Cassettes or CD's must be marked with the skater's name, Category and total music time and they must be enclosed in their integral container, also marked accordingly.
10. **ACCIDENTS:** The Association and Committee of the Host Club undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skater. As a condition of and in consideration of their entries in this Competition, all competitors and their parents or guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks or injuries to the competitor's person and property resulting from, or caused by, or connected with the conduct and management of the competitions. An agreement must also be deemed to release any and all claims they may have against the officials, the Association, the Host Club, and their officers. Entries shall be accepted only in accordance with these conditions.
11. **REFUND OF ENTRY FEES:**
Entry fees shall be refunded only if the event is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the date of close of entries (Skate Canada Rule 7000 – 1.5 (2)).
12. **REGISTRATION:** Skaters must register at least one hour prior to their scheduled Category or practice. Music tapes must be turned in at the time of registration. **(2 copies of music must be registered)**. Skaters must report to the Ice Captain one hour prior to their scheduled Category.
13. **FLIGHT SYSTEM:** If the number of competitors in a Category warrants it, a flight system will be used. In the STARSkate categories flights would be determined by skaters' ages. Competitive events will be determined by a random draw.
14. **EVENT SPECIFICATIONS:** In normal circumstances, each category offered at the competition will be held for men and women separately. It is permissible for events that do not progress skaters on to a subsequent level of Interclub competition to combine events as follows:
- (a) Combine two or more categories in the same event when each category has fewer than three entries;
 - (b) Combine two or more categories in the same event when one category has insufficient entries to hold the event;
 - (c) Combine men and women in events when insufficient entries are registered in one to hold the event.
- The decision to combine events is at the discretion of the Technical Representative and the Host Committee. In any of the above cases, categories may be combined – only with full prior knowledge and agreement of all competitors affected. If a category is not held, due to a lack of competitors, the Host Committee will inform competitors and return entry fees.
15. **CANCELLATION OF EVENTS:** The host club reserves the right to cancel events.
16. **SKATING UP:**
Skating up one level is allowed. However, competitors must register in **ONLY ONE** level of the same Category (ie, one freeskate, one elements, etc). When skating up program must meet the criteria for the higher level.
17. **COACH ACCREDITATION:** All coaches must be minimally certified NCCP Level 1, Level 1 CanSkate Coach or Level 1 STARSkate Primary Coach and carry their Photo ID card indicating current membership within the Association and a valid First Aid certificate. A maximum of 5 Program Assistants may accompany a certified coach to assist with FunSkate competitions. Coaches may expect to register at the registration desk.
18. **AWARDS:** It is the responsibility of any skater receiving a medal to wear their skates and skating attire for the medal presentation.
19. **WARM UP TIMES:** Skate Canada has standardized warm up times for all events. They are as follows:

Interpretive, Element Programs	4 minutes
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STARSkate Freeskate	5 minutes
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WARM UP TIMES MAY BE ADJUSTED FOR ENTRY LEVEL EVENTS, AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVE, TO A MINIMUM OF 3 MINUTES

ELIGIBILITY AND CATEGORIES

STARSkate EVENTS ELEMENTS PROGRAM

COMPETITIVE SINGLES TEST EQUIVALENCIES IN THE STARSkate Events: As regulation 4000 –E – 3.1 states, skaters passing Free Skating tests in the competitive test system are granted equivalencies for regular free skating tests as follows:

- Juvenile Competitive Singles Test = Senior Bronze Free Skating Test
- Pre-Novice Competitive Singles Test = Junior Silver Free Skating Test
- Novice Competitive Singles Test = Senior Silver Free Skating Test
- Junior Competitive Singles Test = Gold Free Skating Test

Skaters who have previously passed any competitive test and are no longer competing in the competitive stream must enter the STARSkate Event at the level corresponding to their competitive test or STARSkate test whichever is highest.

Elements Programs will not be skated to music. The skater may determine the order of the elements. Connecting steps are permitted to link the elements. Additional elements or repetition of elements that have failed are not permitted. Rotational movements of more than one full rotation shall be considered extra elements. Small jumps of not more than half a turn may be included in the step sequence.

INTRODUCTORY LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must not have passed **any** portion of the Preliminary Freeskate test.
 - (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 1 minute.
Groups will be given half of the ice surface
1. Any forward upright spin
 2. Toe loop
 3. Waltz Jump
 4. One forward spiral

PRIMARY LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must not have passed **any** portion of the Preliminary Freeskate test.
 - (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 1 minute.
Groups will be given half of the ice surface
1. Sit spin
 2. Salchow jump
 3. Loop
 4. One forward spiral

PRE-PRELIMINARY LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must not have passed the complete Preliminary Freeskate
 - (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 1 minute; not less than half of the ice to be used
Groups will be given the full ice surface
1. Flip jump
 2. Back spin (minimum 2 rotations)
 3. Jump combination – Salchow/toe loop
 4. One Backward spiral

PRELIMINARY LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must have passed the complete Preliminary Freeskate test
 - (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 1 minute; not less than half of the ice to be used
Groups will be given the full ice surface
1. Lutz jump
 2. Jump combination - flip/loop
 3. Camel/Sit Spin (minimum 2 rotations in each position)
 4. Spirals on the left and right foot (may be performed separately or in sequence)

JUNIOR BRONZE LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must have passed the complete Junior Bronze Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 1.5 minutes, the full ice surface to be used
 - 1. Axel
 - 2. One other double or single jump
 - 3. Jump Combination – any single or double jump followed by a Loop
 - 4. Combination spin – at least one change of position with one change of foot (minimum 2 rotations in each position)
 - 5. One (1) spiral on each foot in sequence
 - 6. Footwork sequence (any pattern using the full ice surface)

SENIOR BRONZE LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must have passed the complete Senior Bronze Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 2 minutes; the full ice surface to be used
 - 1. Axel
 - 2. Double Toe jump
 - 3. Jump combination - any single jump followed by a single or double jump
 - 4. Any flying spin (minimum 3 rotations)
 - 5. Combination spin – at least one change of position with one change of foot (minimum 2 rotations in each position)
 - 6. Combination of spirals on each foot and one other field move in sequence
 - 7. Footwork sequence (any pattern using the full ice surface)

JUNIOR SILVER LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must have passed the complete Junior Silver Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 2 minutes; the full ice surface to be used
 - 1. Axel
 - 2. Double Loop jump
 - 3. Jump combination - any single or double jump followed by a double jump
 - 4. Combination spin – at least two changes of position with one change of foot (minimum 2 rotations in each position and minimum 4 rotations on each foot)
 - 5. Any flying spin (minimum 3 rotations)
 - 6. Combination of spirals on each foot and one other fields move in sequence
 - 7. Footwork sequence (any pattern using the full ice surface)

SENIOR SILVER LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must have passed the complete Senior Silver Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: program length not to exceed 2 minutes 40 seconds; the full ice surface to be used
 - 1. Axel
 - 2. Double Flip jump
 - 3. Jump sequence - 3 or more jumps including at least 2 double jumps
 - 4. Camel change camel (minimum 5 rotations on each foot)
 - 5. Flying sit spin (minimum 5 rotations)
 - 6. Combination of 3 field moves in sequence
 - 7. Footwork sequence (any pattern using the full ice surface)

GOLD LADIES/MEN:

- (i) TEST: Competitors must have passed the complete Gold Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Program length not to exceed 2 minutes 40 seconds; the full ice surface to be used
 - 1. Axel or double Axel
 - 2. Double Lutz jump
 - 3. Jump combination - 2 double jumps or a double and a triple jump (attempted in any order)
 - 4. Any flying spin - (minimum 5 rotations)
 - 5. Combination spin – at least two changes of position with 1 change of foot (minimum 2 rotations in each position and minimum 5 rotations on each foot)
 - 6. Combination of 3 field moves in sequence
 - 7. Footwork sequence (any pattern using the full ice surface)

STARSkate CATEGORIES

FREESKATE CATEGORIES

INTRODUCTORY FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must not have passed **any** portion of the Preliminary Freeskate test.
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Freeskate Program to music of 1 or 1.5 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)
MAY INCLUDE JUMPS; WALTZ, SALCHOW AND TOE LOOP BUT NO HIGHER JUMP OF ONE OR MORE REVOLUTIONS. HIGHER JUMPS IF ATTEMPTED WILL BE GIVEN NO CREDIT. IN ADDITION A DEDUCTION OF 0.1 WILL BE TAKEN FOR EACH FORBIDDEN ELEMENT.

PRIMARY FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must not have passed **any** portion of the Preliminary Freeskate test.
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: Freeskate Program to music of 1 or 1.5 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)
MAY INCLUDE JUMPS; LOOP AND FLIP BUT NO HIGHER JUMP OF ONE OR MORE REVOLUTIONS HIGHER JUMPS IF ATTEMPTED WILL BE GIVEN NO CREDIT. IN ADDITION A DEDUCTION OF 0.1 WILL BE TAKEN FOR EACH FORBIDDEN ELEMENT.

EVENTS BELOW WILL BE JUDGED ACCORDING TO THE 2008-09 WELL BALANCED PROGRAM CRITERIA

PREPRELIMINARY FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must not have passed any complete Skate Canada Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One Free program to music of 1.5 or 2 minutes in length (+ / - 10 seconds)

PRELIMINARY FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed complete Preliminary Freeskate test but not Junior Bronze Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One free program to music of 2.0 or 2.5 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)

JUNIOR BRONZE FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed complete Jr. Bronze Freeskate test but not Sr. Bronze Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One free program to music of 2.5 or 3 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)

SENIOR BRONZE FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed complete Sr. Bronze Freeskate test but not Jr. Silver Freeskate test
- (iii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One free program to music of 3.0 or 3.5 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)

JUNIOR SILVER FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed complete Jr. Silver Freeskate test but not Sr. Silver Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One free program to music of 3.5 or 4 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)

SENIOR SILVER FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed complete Sr. Silver Freeskate test but not Gold Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One free program to music of 3.5 or 4 minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)

GOLD FREESKATE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed complete Gold Freeskate test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One free program to music of 3.5 or 4.0 (ladies)/ 4.0 or 4.5 (men) minutes in length (+/- 10 seconds)

INTERPRETIVE CATEGORIES

COSTUME REQUIREMENT FOR ALL INTERPRETIVE CATEGORIES The clothing for all competitors must be modest, dignified and appropriate for athletic competition – not garish or theatrical in design. Accessories and props are not permitted.

COMPOSITION OF THE INTERPRETIVE PROGRAM:

This program shall contain a variety of skating moves - and should be joined with connecting steps demonstrating edges, turns and creativity.

These moves should be selected for their value in enhancing the choreographic interpretation of the music rather than for their technical difficulty. Jumps are allowed, but no credit will be given for their technical difficulty.

Skaters may enter only one Interpretive Category.

PRE- INTRODUCTORY INTERPRETIVE

- (i) TEST: Must not have passed any Skate Canada Interpretive Skating test.
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One Interpretive program of 2.0 to 3.0 minutes in length.

INTRODUCTORY INTERPRETIVE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed the Introductory Interpretive test but no higher.
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One Interpretive program of 2.0 to 3.0 minutes in length.

BRONZE INTERPRETIVE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed the Bronze Interpretive, Adult Artistic, or Bronze Artistic test but no higher.
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One Interpretive program of 2.0 to 3.0 minutes in length.

SILVER INTERPRETIVE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed the Silver Interpretive or Silver Artistic test but no higher.
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One Interpretive program of 2.0 to 3.0 minutes in length.

GOLD INTERPRETIVE

- (i) TEST: Must have passed the Gold Interpretive or Gold Artistic test
- (ii) SPECIFICATIONS FOR EVENT: One Interpretive program of 2.0 to 3.0 minutes in length.

Skate Canada: Alberta - NWT/Nunavut
Edmonton Region Open Competition Nov. 28-30, 2008 Event Entry Form
REGISTRATION FORMS NOT COMPLETED IN FULL WILL BE RETURNED UNPROCESSED!!!
ONE REGISTRATION FORM PER EVENT

Competitor's Name	Please circle: Male Female		
Home Address and Postal Code			
Home and Emergency Phone Number			
Skate Canada Number			
Date of Birth	Day	Month	Year
Health Care Number			
Name of Home Club			
Signature of Club Test Chair			
Club Contact Person			
Home Club Phone/Fax / Email			
Category Entering (Men's, Ladies, Pairs, Interpretive, etc)			
Level (Preliminary, Pre-Novice)			
Name of Partner (if applicable)			
Title of Interpretive Program			
Music Time			
Test Qualifications (highest passed)	Freestyle:	Elements:	Skating Skills:
*Competitive test equivalencies must be taken into account when registering for Test Stream Events	Dance:	Interpretive:	Competitive:

NOTE: Competitors entering more than one Category must complete an entry form for EACH Category
For those Categories with an age restriction, a copy of the birth certificate or other proof of age must be submitted with the entry form.

RETURN FORM TO:	STONY PLAIN SKATING CLUB 11 Willow Lane Stony Plain, AB T7Z 0A4	BY: October 29, 2008
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ENTRY FEES:	Introductory & Primary \$45 First Event \$60 Additional Events \$45	CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: Stony Plain Skating Club
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Participant's Release

By my participation in this event, I consent to the known and foreseeable physical risks inherent in the sport of figure skating. These risks include, but are not limited to: travel to and from the arena, ice conditions, equipment failure, falls, collisions with other participants and/or instructors, and facility conditions. In assuming these risks, I, the undersigned, forever release, for myself, my heirs, and any person acting on my behalf, the Host club and Skate Canada: Alberta-NWT/Nunavut, and its directors, employees, volunteers, coaches, officials, instructors, independent contractors, agents and sponsors, from any claim arising from any illness or injury to my person as a result of my participation in this activity.

Participant's Name (print):	Participant's Signature:
Date:	
If under the age of 18 years:	
Parent's Signature:	Address:
Name of Coach (please print)	Signature and verification of event entered

Forms may be returned if not completed in full and signed.