

North Kawartha Figure Skating Club

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Daina's Notes For Fall

Special points of interest:

- Keep hair tied back
- Learn to Skate skaters must wear CSA approved helmets
- Everyone must wear gloves
- NO JEANS
- Pants must not go any longer than the heel of the boot of the skate
- All skaters should be at the arena, ready to go, 15 minutes before their lesson time
- No Gum

I would like to welcome everyone to the North Kawartha Skating Club 2018-2019 season. It is always great to be back on the ice. I will periodically prepare and distribute a newsletter which will be available at the NKCC (as a hard copy), on the "Figure Skating" page of The Township's website: www.northkawartha.on.ca, and a copy will be emailed to those of you who wrote your email address on your registration form. I also invite skaters and parents to join our Facebook page North Kawartha Figure Skating Club. I will post news, information, reminders and interesting skating articles. Parents, if you have any questions or concerns, please contact me anytime, at dainaashton@yahoo.com.

I look forward to this year's program, so many young skaters to work with! This year's beginner group will be the foundation of the program for years to come. So, a big thank you to the parents, for allowing your kids to participate in the program. We are now in the month of October and that means we will celebrate Halloween at the end of the month. It would be great if all skaters could wear their costume on the 30th and we will have a fun Halloween skate. Please remember that costumes need to allow skaters to move freely on the ice.

October to December we will continue to focus on the basic skills which are a must for all groups. These skills will allow our skaters to enjoy their ice time, be



safe on the ice, and promote a suitable learning environment for all groups. I would really like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers that have been coming on the ice to help on Tuesdays. This is the highest number of skaters, especially the kinder skate group, that I have had yet, which is very exciting for the growth of the figure skating club. Without the help of the volunteers< this class would not be able to grow and be successful. Thank you very much, I really appreciate your help.

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About The Coach

A lot of you are returning skaters, but for those of you that are new to our skating club, I would like to tell you a bit about my skating background.

I started skating lessons at a very young age and continued with them through high school. I competed at Canadians with a precision skating team for three years, amongst other competitions within Canada and the

United States. After high school, I attended Seneca College where I received a diploma in Figure Skating Coaching Techniques, and acquired my National Coaching Certification Level 1, Level 2, and Level 3 theory and technical. I have coached at different clubs within Toronto, St. Catharines, Yellowknife, NWT, and Queenstown, New Zealand. I also toured with a professional ice show in South America for close

to two years, spent two summers in Japan skating in a park show, and toured Australia and New Zealand for one year.

This is my fifth year coaching for the North Kawartha Skating Club and I am excited and looking forward to another great season of skating!

The Importance Of Our Fundraiser—Please Read!

Fundraisers and parent volunteers are an integral part of ensuring the viability of most programs, and that is true for the North Kawartha Skating Club. Fundraising assists us in keeping annual registration fees affordable, and helps to cover ALL other skating club expenses such as



ice show costumes, lights, and the other expenses that help us put on such a great show at the end of the season.

This season's annual Yuk Yuk's fundraiser will be held on Saturday, August 10th, 2019. For this event to be successful we need not only volunteers to help at the event, but it is also extremely important that parents help with this fundraiser financially. In the past, parents were obligated to pay the

cost of their child's costumes for the ice show, which could add up to hundreds of dollars. And on top of that, throughout the season, there would be multiple fundraisers such as the selling of chocolate bars. Throughout the winter there are so many fundraisers through the school and other events, that adding another one is not ideal.

That is why the Yuk Yuk's show is really a great way to fund raise with just one event. It is one night in the summer, it's extremely affordable and it is a night of laughter, great food, and a chance to spend time with family and friends.

Currently, this is the one and only fundraiser we have, and as the participation of skating parents has been very low (even though the Fundraiser is to their benefit), we must ask every skater to be responsible for two Yuk Yuk's tickets, which is \$40 at \$20 a ticket. The tickets can be used by the

parents, they can be sold (if you need more please ask), or the tickets can be purchased but donated back to be re-sold. These tickets are available to purchase immediately, and we would like all fundraising money to be paid by March 1st, 2019.

I know it is difficult to commit to plans so far ahead, especially in the summer, but again, the money from our Yuk Yuk's fundraiser goes directly towards the skating club's many expenses. If you have any questions about Yuk Yuk's, please ask me or Jim Elder.

Our last Yuk Yuk's fundraiser was held on August 11th and once again it was a really fun night. I would like to personally thank our volunteers that make this event possible: Randy Greene, Shandis Wilson, Blair Wilson and Dawn Knightly. I'd also like to say a special thank you to Jim Elder, for all his help and time he puts in to organizing this event.

Ice Show - "The Greatest Show On Ice" March 16th

Our annual ice show will be on March 16, 2019. The ice show gives all the skaters an opportunity to showcase all the hard work they have done, and what they have learned.

The theme for this year's show is "The Greatest Show On Ice".

The annual ice show does take place the same week as the kids' March break. Please let me know as soon as possible if your child will

not be here during that week.

The success of the show is added to with the help of our volunteers, and I look forward to working with all of you in the planning and preparation of

Important Dates

October 30
Halloween Dress-up Night

November 24
Christmas Parade

December 18
Christmas Skating Party

December 20 – January 2
Christmas Holidays,
No Skating

March 12
Dress Rehearsal 4-7 pm

March 14, 15
Final Rehearsals 4-7 pm

March 15
Set-up 7-9 pm

March 16
Ice Show

March 21 or 29?
Skating Awards Banquet

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	7-8:30 am Ticket Ice	4-4:55pm Int. 4:55-5:50pm Senior 6-6:30pm Preschool 6-6:50 Learn to Skate Oct. 30 Halloween Dress-up	7-8:30 am Ticket Ice	4-4:55 Int. 4:55-5:50 Senior	7-8:30 am Ticket Ice	
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