

Twin Bays Skating Club

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July 2008

Calendar of Events

August 25.....Registration for Pre-Fall & Fall/Winter Session
August 27.....**USFS Test Session** (forms due August 15)
August 28.....End of Summer Session
Sept. 1-2 No Skating
Sept. 3 to 9..... Pre-Fall Session @ Centre Ice
Sept. 10 to 26..... Pre-Fall Session @ **Howe**
Sept. 13..... Free 'Learn to Skate' @ Howe
Sept. 29..... Fall/Winter Session begins
March 13/14, 2009.....TBSC Annual Ice Show

TBSC Office Worker Needed – The new TBSC office worker (Paula) has been doing an outstanding job. However, she has unfortunately (for TBSC) been offered a full time position (with benefits) elsewhere and has decided that she must take that opportunity. Therefore, **we are again looking for someone to work in the office.**

The office worker is responsible for maintaining the TBSC office, answering the phone and responding to messages, providing TBSC information to callers and visitors, maintaining TBSC records & files, and assisting with major TBSC activities. The job requires good communication and organizational skills. A candidate must be able to interact with visitors, skaters, parents, coaches, and board members in a positive and effective manner. The ability to handle and resolve minor problems/disagreements is desirable. Some computer skills (email, word processing, and spreadsheets) are also required; skill in the use of Word and Excel is preferred. A candidate must also be able to establish priorities, work independently, and proceed with objectives without direct/immediate supervision.

This is a part-time, paid position. The hours would be during normal skating times (i.e. see summer skating schedule; then ~3pm to 7pm in fall/winter & spring).

If you are interested or want more info, please contact Cathy Shoemaker (cshoemaker@nwbank.com; 932-6720) or contact Mary at maryvk07@charter.net or 941-1658. Or submit your resume via email.

Summer Registration Update

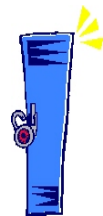
Thank you to everyone who registered for summer session and to those who purchased punch cards. We have significantly decreased the projected budget deficit for summer skating and are hopeful that we will come close to the break-even point without cancelling any additional sessions. We have met minimum registration numbers on most of the remaining sessions. Thank you to all for your quick attention to the budget issues!

Red Wings & Prospects Camp – Sept. 13-23

Hockey players will begin to arrive on September 10 for another exciting Red Wings' Training Camp at Centre Ice. Tickets are still available for some of the games – see <http://www.redwingstrainingcamp.com/> for info. Come watch the 2008 Stanley Cup Champions!

Get an early jump on your 2008-09 TBSC volunteer hours by helping at the camp. Drivers are needed to pick up and deliver players' laundry (vans will be provided) during the camp.

- ♦ 3 shifts per day for 10 days (9/13 to 9/23; pick your days & shifts)
 - ♦ Work 2 shifts and have a personal item autographed by a Red Wing skater
- Sign-up sheet is posted in the TBSC hallway.



TBSC Locker room must be cleaned out and vacated by 7pm on Sept. 9 in preparation for the camp. Please be sure to clean out your locker and take all belongings home with you at the end of skating on the 9th. Check the counter tops, benches, and floor. Please throw out any 'junk' you may see laying around. Anything left in the locker room will be discarded.

Upcoming Fundraisers – watch for more info:

Red Wings Jersey (signed by whole team) raffle – sell tickets for \$1 each or 6/\$5. **Pop Can Drives** – all summer; join your friends to collect pop cans & return them for refunds. **Synchro Bake Sales at Sam's Club** – watch for upcoming dates. 15% of profit from these fundraisers goes to the general fund and 85% of the skater's profit goes to that skater's account. **Friday Night Live** – Each Friday from mid-July through August.

Ice Show 2009

It is that time of year again to start planning the 2009 Ice Show!! We are looking for [suggestions for this year's theme](#), so if you have any thoughts, please send Mary Roxbury an email at meroxbury@yahoo.com or write it down and place it in the Ice Show Chair box at the rink. Your ideas are greatly appreciated!

Eligibility for various freestyle & dance numbers in the Ice Show is determined by your USFS test level as of October 11, 2008 (45 days after the Aug. 27 USFS test session at TBSC). Ice Show Guidelines will be attached at the end of this newsletter. Start preparing now for the August 27 USFS Test Session!!

TBSC COACHING STAFF

Senior/Professional Coaches

Cassie Grimm 360-1062
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Basic Skills Coaches

Jean Hamill 929-3829
Francine Keene 275-3138
Susi Pilath 271-6341

Junior Coaches

Savannah Burke 633-2002
Jane Scott 883-1080
Josie Trafelet 947-9738
Ali Ward 947-0321

Seasonal Coaches

Junior Coaches may teach private lessons on **Basic Skills and low freestyle sessions** at a rate of pay not to exceed \$25/hour. They may teach Freestyle, moves, and/or ice dance (as appropriate to own skating experience) and may choreograph a number in the Ice Show.

Senior Coaches may teach any skating discipline (dependent upon their own experience) on any TBSC session. Senior Coaches determine their own rates - please check with them individually.

Basic Skills Corner

Mark your calendars for a **free** "Learn to Skate" clinic on Saturday, Sept. 13 from 9am to 10:20am at Howe Arena. Bring a friend or two (or three)! Participants in the clinic who sign up for the TBSC fall Basic Skills session on the day of the clinic will receive a discount on their registration for that fall Basic Skills session. The regular Learn to Skate/Basic Skills program will begin on September 29 (at Centre Ice). Classes will be held on Mondays or Saturdays.

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→If you need a form signed by a Club officer (i.e., competition forms, out of club test form, etc.), please see Mary, Holly, Colleen, Cathy, or Kim.

Newsletter Articles

To save money, the TBSC newsletter is e-mailed only. You may also view it at www.twinbays.org. To submit an article, e-mail Jean at jcr34@charter.net or drop off copy in the newsletter mailbox in the TBSC office. Deadline is the 3rd Friday of the month. TBSC reserves the right to alter submissions for space purposes.

Next Board Meeting

August 12, 2008 6:00 p.m.

Centre Ice Community Room

- A copy of the minutes is available to any TBSC member in the TBSC office once they receive Board approval.

Note: Most Club communication is done via email. Please be sure we have your current email address. Please send any changes to maryvk07@charter.net

TBSC ICE SHOW GUIDELINES/SKATER CRITERIA
ICE SHOW 2009

All skating levels will be based on the USFS tests passed by the skater as of 45 days from the August/Sept. TBSC test session. Skaters may test at a different club up to 45 days after the Aug/Sept. TBSC test session. Once the above deadlines have passed, no exceptions will be made to any of the following criteria! (Criteria for ice shows may change year to year.) **TBSC skaters must be currently taking lessons from a TBSC coach on TBSC ice during the entire fall/winter session, signed up for regular TBSC ice time, and actually skating the sessions in the discipline specified in each of the following numbers.** Skaters must register for and pay the ice show registration fee for each number that they wish to participate in (and are qualified for) by the Ice Show registration deadline in October. For the skater to be allowed to skate in the ice show, all accounts including fees for coaching, designer costumes, etc. must be paid in full by the ice show payment deadline.

For FS solos, FS groups, High School number, and/or Ice Theater Ensembles, skaters must be registered for at least one TBSC FS session and be taking FS lessons from a TBSC coach on TBSC ice during the entire fall/winter session.

Freestyle Solos: Skaters must have passed Junior Moves and Intermediate Freestyle or be a High School Senior who has passed Pre-Juvenile Freestyle and Juvenile Moves. Once a skater meets regular solo requirements, she/he is expected to continue to take consistent lessons with a TBSC coach and improve/expand their skills by continuing to test and/or compete in order to continue to be spotlighted in the Ice Show in subsequent years. Solos will be a maximum of 2.0 minutes.

Groups of 2 or more: Skaters must have passed Juvenile Moves and Juvenile Freestyle. Maximum of 1.45 minutes.

Groups of 3 or more: Skaters must have passed Juvenile Moves and Preliminary Freestyle. Maximum of 1.45 minutes.

Groups of 4 or more: Skaters below Juvenile Moves but passed Advanced Beginner. Maximum of 1.45 minutes.

High School Number: Any skater in 9th through 12th grade who has passed Juvenile Moves. The skater does not have to be on the High School Team to participate.

High Ice Theater Ensemble: Skaters must have passed Juvenile Moves and Preliminary Freestyle and be registered for High Ice Theater for the entire fall/winter session. No highlighting of individual skaters is allowed.

Low Ice Theater Ensemble: Skaters must be registered for Low Ice Theater for the entire fall/winter session. No highlighting of individual skaters.

For Dance Solos & Ensembles, skaters must be taking ice dance lessons with a TBSC dance coach on TBSC ice during the entire fall/winter session & be actively involved/progressing in Dance by testing within the past 1.5 years

Dance Solos: Skaters must have passed Junior Moves and at least one (1) Pre-Gold Dance. The dance solo can be done with or without a partner (partner would be at the expense of the skater). The length of the program would not exceed 2.0 minutes. This solo must meet the USFS technical requirements for the Free Dance for the current year and be choreographed by a dance coach or a dance choreographer.

- If a skater meets the qualifications for both a dance and a FS solo, the skater may perform one solo only (Dance OR FS).

High Ice Dance Ensemble: Skaters must have passed at least one (1) Silver Dance and be currently working on other Silver Dances or higher

Intermediate Ice Dance Ensemble: Skaters must have passed all Pre-Bronze Dances and be currently working on Bronze Dances or higher.

Synchronized Teams: Each established team will perform their programs.

Advanced Beginner: Skaters must be registered in Advanced Beginner for at least one 6-week session during fall/winter session AND be signed up for Ice Show Advanced Beginner number by the beginning of the 3rd session. Maximum time is 1.45 minutes. **Skaters may participate in an Advanced Beginner OR a Basic Skills OR a Freestyle number.**

Basic Skills: Must be signed up for at least one 6-week basic skills session AND be signed up for Ice Show Basic Skills number by the beginning of the 3rd session. All class periods have one large number that is then subdivided to allow skaters to perform at their level. This is done in the choreography. The costume will be the same for each Basic Skills day.

TBSC will pay senior coaches \$25/hr and junior coaches \$17.50/hr for their coaching time for Ice Theater, High School, Advanced Beginner, and Basic Skills numbers. Skaters will be individually billed by the coaches for all other numbers at the coach's prevailing hourly rate.