



Figure Skating Club
of Cincinnati

Newsletter

Fall 2004

Twizzle

Welcome to the 2004 - 2005 Skating Season!



Buckeye Open Adult Competition November 6th - 7th, 2004

The Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati and the South Dayton Figure Skating Club will once again co-host the Buckeye Open Adult Figure Skating Competition. This years event will be held on November 6th and 7th, 2004 at the Sports Plus facility in Cincinnati, Ohio.

If you or someone you know is interested in competing at the Buckeye Open, the official announcement and entry forms may be found at our club website, www.skatecincinnati.org

We are also in need of volunteers to help with the many tasks involved. If you are able to

volunteer your time for one of our committees and/or the days of the competition, please contact Cindy Williams at cwilliam1@KENTON.k12.ky.us. Cindy will be coordinating all of our volunteer efforts! Please remember that profits from a successful event benefit all club members, so please volunteer if you are able.

A test session has also been planned for Sunday, November 7th. Contact Paula Sitawi at psitawi@johnmorrell.com or Jeff Privett at jeffprivett@yahoo.com for a test application. Volunteers for the test session are also needed!

Competitions

Skate Cleveland
Winterhurst FSC
September 9th - 11th

2005 EGL Regionals
Strongsville SC
October 9th - 16th

2004 Skate America
Pittsburgh FSC
October 21st - 24th

Wyandotte AI Viviani
Wyandotte FSC
September 10th - 12th

Buckeye Adult Open
FSC of Cincinnati
South Dayton FSC
November 6th - 7th



Tests Passed

- John Bierma - Adult Pre Bronze MIF
- Sarah Lynn Schlomer - Pre Preliminary MIF
- Jeff Privett - Adult Bronze FS
- Chloe Amitin - Canasta Tango, Dutch Waltz
- Cathy Brinkman - Preliminary FS, Swing Dance
- Dottie Janson - Hickory Hoedown
- Catherine Looby - Juvenile MIF
- Susan Osgood - Pre Pre MIF, Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues
- Mikal Wayne - Intermediate FS
- Cathy Brinkman - Adult Silver FS

- Ashley Malin - Fiesta Tango, Willow Waltz, Hickory Hoedown, Ten Fox, Fourteenstep, Juvenile MIF, Pre Juvenile FS
- Katherine Roach - Rocker Foxtrot, Junior MIF, American Waltz, Pre Juvenile FS
- Brynn Shuller - Preliminary FS, Pre Juvenile MIF, Cha Cha

**Next Test Session
Sunday, November 7, 2004**

Membership

Time flies when you are having fun!

If you chose to pay for your ice package on the installment plan, your first payment was due August 1st. If you have not made payment, please do so at this time.

Please send to:

FSCC Treasurer
3798 Ault Park Avenue
Cincinnati, Ohio 45208

2004 Awards

The following awards were presented at the Spring FSCC Annual Meeting.

Erdman Artistic - Cathy Brinkman
Britnall Most Improved Beginner (JR) - Mary Veeneman
Britnall Most Improved Beginner (AD) - Pat Miller
Shipley Dance - Susan Osgood
Betty Lee Duval Sportsmanship - Brynn Shuller
Griffin Club (JR) - Chloe Amitan
Griffin Club (AD) - Dottie Janson
David C. Prince Memorial Hospitality - Jody Shelden
USFS Memorial Fund Scholarships recipients - Cathy Brinkman, Holly McDonell, Dottie Janson, Katherine Roach and John Bierma.

Learn more about the new judging system.
www.isu.org

Sports Plus Update

Looking for some additional ice time as you head in to the skating season? Then check out the Cutting Edge!



Cutting Edge Figure Skating has afternoon ice available daily Monday through Friday. Session times are 2:45, 3:30, 4:30, & 5:15pm. Sessions are 45 minutes in length. A coupon book of 10 sessions is \$80.

For additional information about the competitive program or the Learn To Skate program, please contact Denise Mackey at dmackey@learntoskatecincinnati.com.

Classifieds



For Sale: FSCC Media Cabinet. Make offer. Has space for TV monitor, VCR, and other audio/visual equipment. Measures 24" (width) x 22" (depth) x 53" (height). Mounted with casters. Contact Holly McDonell 513-759-0984 or mcdonell23@aol.com

For Sale: Brand new Jackson Competitor DJ2200 skate boots size 4.0 B. They have never been mounted or worn. Price is \$100. They were originally \$169. Contact Holly McDonell (513) 759-0984h, (513) 284-1960c, or email mcdonell23@aol.com

The 2005 Rulebook and Directory are now available from US Figure Skating. A rulebook and directory may be purchased for \$12.00. A directory only costs \$5.00. Binders for rulebooks are also \$5.00. You may place an order directly with USFS by calling 719-228-3419. For additional information go to the USFS website www.usfigureskating.org

Skate Cincinnati

Congratulations to all of our Skate Cincinnati volunteers who helped make the 2004 competition a success. We were faced with many challenges this year, but our volunteers faced them head-on and won! A special thanks to the competition chairperson, Kelly Bixby for her dedication to this event. Kelly will be joined by Pat Miller in organizing the 2005 competition. Pat will learn the ropes as she prepares to take over the position of competition chairperson for future Skate Cincinnati competitions.

Mark your calendar. Skate Cincinnati 2005 is scheduled for March 19th and 20th, 2005.

Around The Rink

Our best wishes to Barb Berger and her fiancé Karl Kreunen as they walk down the aisle into wedded bliss! Barb and Karl will be married on October 2nd, 2005. Congratulations Barb and Karl.

Jeff Privett began an internet business in the spring selling figure skating t-shirts and gifts. You can visit Jeff's site at www.cincyskate.com.

Ciao! Paula Sitawi recently returned from our daughter's beautiful Italian wedding. It took place on the island of Sardinia, back-dropped by a spectacular sunset and set among one of the thousands of historic towers displayed on the island.

Syncho News

The 2003 - 2004 season-in-review was highlighted by Style team "bests" in competition, a FABulous team banquet at Lake Isabella in March, and being published in the April edition of Skating Magazine (hyperlink to <http://www.usfsa.org/Magazine.asp?id=60&issue=25919>)!

Just as the 2003 - 2004 season ended, skaters were getting jazzed up for the next synchro' season. After a FANtastic Synchro' Mini Camp in May 2004, the team tryouts in June 2004 had a great turn out. Style would like to thank the following for their contribution to the 2004 Camp and Tryouts:



- Denise Gifford and LTS Cincinnati for collaborating on the ice schedule
- Dorothi Cassini for teaching Dance lifts and spins
- Lisa Stoughton for providing the aerobic workout portion of the camp
- Judy Smith for her demonstration of ballet stretches to be used for future off-ice warmup routines
- Jo Erdman and Gretchen Boerup for assisting with the judging during Tryouts
- Maureen Geier for demonstrating the skills during Tryouts and keeping the skaters going
- The Cincinnati Style Executive for helping to organize and promote synchronized skating

After two hours of skating, the skaters' evaluations were scored and ranked. Skaters were sent letters and emails inviting them to be on a Style team. When the final list of skaters was posted at Sports Plus, Cincinnati Style came away with THREE teams for the 2004 - 2005 season! Along with new faces in the skating crowd, Style now has two new coaches on staff! The Youth Introductory team is coached by Emily Caudill and managed by Sheila Michael. The Teen Introductory team is coached by Holly Cook and managed by Mary Shrider. The Adult Introductory team is coached by Susan Papert and managed by Rae Brooks and Judy Smith.

This season, team practices started in late August. With a new mix of skaters and coaches, this gave everyone time to work through choreography ideas and assess team skill strengths. Here is a peek at this season's itinerary:

- December 18-19, 2004: Winter Wonderland Ice Show - hosted by LTS Cincinnati - Cincinnati, OH (Youth, Teen, Adult)
- January 15-16, 2005: Mid America Synchronized Skating Championships - Fraser, MI (Youth, Teen, Adult)
- January 28-30, 2005: Midwestern Synchronized Team Skating Sectionals - Dallas, TX (Adult)
- February 11-12, 2005: Tri States Synchronized Team Skating Championships - Bowling Green, OH (Youth, Teen, Adult)

Each synchro' team still has two positions available for interested skaters. Come skate with the team and see what all the fun's about! \$10 walk-on fee to participate during the following practices only: Saturday, September 11, 18 from 3:30 PM - 6:30PM at Sports Plus! Only \$10 for a 1/2 hour off-ice practice followed by 2 1/2 hours of on-ice practice! What a deal for so much fun! Email synchro@skatecincinnati.org to register to skate - please include skater's name, skating level, and age.

Interested in finding out more about Cincinnati Style? Check out the club website at www.skatecincinnati.org and follow the Synchronized Skating links, OR email synchro@skatecincinnati.org today and find out how YOU can join a team and/or the mailing list and keep up with Style!

- Susan Papert, Director - Cincinnati Style Synchronized Skating Teams



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Twizzle is a newsletter produced by the Figure Skating Club of Cincinnati for our members, coaches and others involved in the sport of Figure Skating.

Articles about skaters, competitions, training programs or other information that may be of interest to our members are welcomed. Photographs are also accepted.

The next issue will be published in Winter 2005. To submit articles or photos, please contact Jeff Privett.

FSCC Skaters Go For The Gold!

FSCC skaters competed in a record number of competitions this past year. Congratulations to all. The following is a recap of competitions and placements.

Silver Skates 2004

[Alexis McDonell](#) - 3rd place Showcase II, 3rd place PrePrelim Compulsory Moves

[Ina Tobin](#) - 1st place Adult Pre Brz Spins, 1st place Adult Pre Brz Freeskate, 1st place Adult Pre Brz Compulsory Moves

[Pat Miller](#) - 2nd place Adult Level I

Troy Summer Skate 2004

[Anneke Belman](#) - 5th place Basic FS 1 & 2

[Christopher Belman](#) - 2nd place Beginner II Boys FS, 2nd place Beginner I CM

[Cathy Brinkman](#) - 1st place Adult Silver

[Jessica Miller](#) - 6th place Beginner I FS

[Kerstin Nilsson](#) - 5th place Beginner I FS

[Siobhan McShane Schoeck](#) - 8th place PreJuv FS

North American Adult Open 2004

[Barb Berger](#) - 2nd place Adult Silver II FS, 4th place Adult II Interpretive

[Kelly Bixby](#) - 2nd place Adult I FS

[Dottie Janson](#) - 7th place Adult Silver II FS, 5th place Adult II Interpretive

[Holly McDonell](#) - 2nd place Adult Bronze II FS

[Kurt Schwab](#) - 3rd place Adult Pairs

[Patty Schwab](#) - 3rd place Adult Pairs

Tri States Synchro 2004

[Teen Intro](#) - 6th place

[Adult Intro](#) - 1st place

Peach Classic 2004

[Cathy Brinkman](#) - 4th place Silver FS III, 5th place Silver CM

[Holly McDonell](#) - 3rd place Bronze II FS, 1st place Bronze Spins

Columbus Holiday Season 2003

[Barb Berger](#) - 2nd place Adult Silver

[Steffi Homan](#) - 5th place PreBeginner FS

[Dottie Janson](#) - 6th place Adult Silver, 1st place AD Silver CM

[Holly McDonell](#) - 1st place Adult Bronze FS

[Alexis McDonell](#) - 6th place PrePrelim A FS

[Molly Seitz](#) - 6th place Beginner CM

[Ina Tobin](#) - 1st place Adult PreBronze FS

Midwest Adult Sectionals

[John Bierma](#) - 1st place Pre Bronze Dance 2, 2nd place Pre Bronze Dance 1

[Cathy Brinkman](#) - 7th place Interpretive Class III

[Dottie Janson](#) - 9th place Silver FSClass II, 4th place Interpretive Class II

[Holly McDonell](#) - 5th place Interpretive Class II, 4th place Bronze FS Class II

[Jeff Privett](#) - 1st place Bronze Men FS



Holly McDonell & Dottie Janson at the Adult Sectionals in Cleveland.