ART NEWS FLASH DEC 28, 2019

December General Updates

There are a number of updates and clarifications that the Artistic Committee would like to communicate. If you have any questions please direct them through your club secretary to the Artistic Secretary at: artistic.secretary@gmail.com

Masters and Advanced Masters Dance Events

Masters and Advanced Masters Dance events are no longer combined for Domestic or Oceania Federation competition. Subject to skaters meeting age, medal and/or previous world championship attendance requirements, a skater may choose to skate a single dance event or a combination of compulsory and style/freedance events. A skater may also choose to skate in one grade for compulsories and another for Style/Freedance. For Example:

Masters OR Advanced Masters Compulsory Dance only; OR
Masters OR Advanced Masters Style Dance only; OR
Both Masters Compulsory Dance AND Masters Style Dance; OR
Both Advanced Masters Compulsory Dance AND Advanced Masters Freedance; OR
Masters Compulsory Dance AND Advanced Masters Freedance; OR vice versa.

A skater CANNOT skate:

Masters Compulsory Dance AND Advanced Masters Compulsory Dance; OR Masters Style Dance AND Advanced Masters Freedance

Artistic Number Terminology

The Artistic Committee would like to remind the members of the skating community that the competitor number that each skater is issued with and wears on the small of their back for domestic competitions is referred to as an ARTISTIC NUMBER.

2020 Oceania Artistic Championships

The 2020 Oceania Artistic Championships will be held in New Plymouth from the 3rd to the 7th of September 2020.

Freeskating Medal Tests

The Officials Convenor would like to remind coaches that Artistic Impression is a judged element in freeskating medal tests. Coaches are encouraged to keep this in mind when compiling medal test programmes.

Costume Requirements

For the 2020 skating year the new World Skate costume rule changes will apply to international competition only. The NZ costume requirements will apply to domestic competition for 2020 but may be reviewed in future. For details of the change in costume requirements for international competition please see the World Skate General Artistic Rules on the World Skate website.

NZ Team Uniform

With the addition of an expanded NZ team casual uniform, the Artistic Committee would like to clarify the guidelines around wearing the uniform.

Formal Uniform consists of the NZ Team Tracksuit. Your tracksuit, which is the official New Zealand uniform, must be worn when travelling to competition and parading, and any other official event requiring the New Zealand uniform as advised by team management.

Your tracksuit is not to be worn as separate pieces, worn in a casual manner (ie jacket tied around the waist, legs rolled up), and not to any other event without Artistic Committee clearance.

Casual Uniform consists of the NZ Team Leotard, Training Jacket, Polo Shirt, Leggings, Shorts etc. This casual uniform may be worn at any time, this includes during club training and domestic competition.

When "in team", specific instructions about uniform (which elements are worn when) will be provided by Team Management during each World and Oceania Championship.

Only skaters and management/admin who are named to a team are able to order NZ uniform items.

Annual Coach Accreditation Updating

A number of coaches have yet to complete and submit their annual accreditation updating papers and/or pay their annual fee. Coaches who have not completed this process are considered to be unregistered and will be unable to accompany their skaters into a marshalling area in competition, or attend the NZ Coaches and Officials Seminar until the paperwork has been completed and fees paid.

HPCC Project Co-Ordinator Role

The Project Co-Ordinator role within the High Performance Coaching Committee is currently open. Our team of fantastic coaches need some support to help co-ordinate and administer the different projects that they are working on. If you are interested in this role please contact the HPCC by email at: nzartistichpcc@gmail.com A job description has been sent to clubs with this newsflash.

Clarifying Age and Eligibility for Junior and Senior Grades

Skaters who are at least 12 before the 1st of January in the year of the World Skate ATC Championships will be eligible to skate Senior (ie have turned 12 in the year preceding the competition year), on application and provided they meet all medal test requirements.

Please circulate this news flash among your members.

Yours In Skating,

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