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SNIPPET FIVE 2020





MERRY CHRISTMAS



What a year it has been. In the usual Kiwi way skating has continued with creative different ways of doing things. We hope that 2021 will be kinder and that we will see a competition season again. In the meantime, there have been amazing online resources, a couple of competitions, squads and end of year shows to keep our skaters engaged.

We have also had great zoom training sessions for Judges, Technical Specialists and Data Entry Operators. Great learning and sharing in these, thanks to the Rollart Team, and extra thanks to Pam for providing all the video content and all the hours of work put in to upskilling everyone.

FROM THE ARTISTIC COMMITTEE.

Although this has been recently circulated, the Artistic Committee has requested that you are reminded again about the interim scoring arrangements for local events.

The Artistic Committee has had a number of queries regarding holding small local competitions, i.e. Open Days, Club Competitions, Leagues and Regionals, and how to score them under the RollArt system.

Unfortunately, we have not as yet been able to set up, train or resource our officials to run these events on either a manual RollArt system or on reduced numbered panels, which is the best procedure for these events, but our RollArt Committee and the Artistic Committee are working on developing these for the new skating session.

In the meantime, we advise that clubs and/or event organisers request that their Officials use the White system to judge all events, however for any Rollart events closed scoring is to be used. The purpose of this is to achieve placings and not for the score as such. This process will allow for the ordinals to place the skaters but not emphasize the score differences as the White system marking has no relevance to Rollart marking. We also advise to not publicly display the scores but only just the placings for Rollart events. We thank you for your adherence to this process whilst we continue to develop the RollArt system in New Zealand and have it best fit with our skaters and our skating community.

LICENSE TO LEARN

To be ready to officiate in 2021 you must complete your License to Learn, if you haven't already done so. Please contact the Artistic committee Secretary artistic.secretary@gmail.com for a workbook.

A reminder that you must have a Skate NZ Qualification to officiate at Federated events. Student judges may only judge non-federated events.

WORLD SKATE

The second cycle of World skate training is scheduled for February to May 2021. These classes are open to everyone and well worth the course fees. You can enrol in as many as you would like to attend. One stream is for coaches and the other for Judges, Technical Specialists and Data Entry operators. Enrol on World Skate web site.



NATIONAL ARTISTIC SEMINAR

The Artistic Committee are planning a National Seminar with proposed timeframe of February-March. Look out for the registration for this event. It is hoped that the new Accreditation Framework will be ready for launch at this event.

ON-LINE LEARNING SESSIONS.

Let us know what you would like from online learning sessions in 2021. There is a need to upskill interested people so that we can run more competitions under RollArt. What would make you join the zoom sessions?

Please email **rollartnz@gmail.com**. Take the first step, we need more people to put their hands up.

MEDAL TESTS.

New dance medal test requirements have been circulated by the Artistic Committee. Check them out under resources on Skate NZ.

Freeskating and Figure tests are still using old terminology. If you are judging or refererring you will need to be flexible, as not all coaches are calling items by their current names. Examples are, mapes / toe loop, euler / thoren, change eight / half eight. Please make sure the skater understands the item you are requesting.

