**BLENHEIM ARTISTIC ROLLERSPORTS**

**AGM Club Report**

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| Introduction | Blenheim Artistic is now into it’s fourth year, we form about half of the Blenheim Rollerskating Club, we are seeing growth with our learn to skate classes & beginner artistic classes. |
| Skating Numbers and Growth | We currently have one competitive skater, about 8-10 regular novice skaters, lots of casual skaters, the support of 1 coach from Upper Hutt and 2 accredited coaches. Although we see plenty of kids give it a go and enjoy it, it is sometimes hard for parents to commit the time to bring them on a regular basis.  |
| Skaters / Senior Skaters involvement (Coaching, judging, mentoring etc) | 2 learn to skate assistants have achieved coaches acreditation.1 undergoing Rollart Data Entry training |
| Competitors competing at Oceanias / Worlds | Nil (but working very hard towards it) |
| Public Sessions | Blenheim Rollerskating Club has public sessions every Sunday & a Friday night disco on the first week of every month. |
| Community Involvement | Promote artistic roller skating through parading in the Blenheim Christmas Parade & Picton Christmas Parade, displays during public/open days, encouraging public viewing of training when utilizing Stadium 2000  |
| Life Members | nil |

This year has had slow but steady growth in numbers, with the dramatic rise in interest for rollerskating continuing on from last year, this is still slowly filtering through to an increase in numbers interested in Artistic. We still rely on the help of Katelyn Kennedy, from UHRSC, who is our competitive skater’s sole coach.

Blenheim Artistic holds lessons every second Saturday, with the club now holding two “learn to skate” classes, with one of them focusing on Artistic skating (split due to an increase in numbers). Katelyn comes across from UHRSC on a “as time permits” basis where we hold “all day” lessons in Stadium 2000, we have been lucky to have been able to hold several of these this year.

This year has been very busy for us, with attending as many competitions as possible, sitting medal tests and for the first time taking a squad of 9 skaters to the Southern Area Championships.

We would like to thank Katelyn for all her hard work and time that she has put in with Hannah, both with developing her for this years competitions & shaping her path for the future. We would also like to thank UHRSC for their support and putting up with Hannah and I every other week.

I am looking forward to see what the future holds for artistic skating in this region, we are still small, but we are growing.

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