



# ZORRA SKATING CLUB MARCH 2012 NEWSLETTER

## President's Message

I can't believe the end of the winter skating season is here already. The time has really flown by again this year. We've had a fun filled year, capped off by our fantastic carnival. Lights! Camera! Action! was lots of fun. It is amazing to see how far all of our skaters have progressed. Once again I received many positive comments about the show we put on – we even got a “Bouquet” in the Oxford Review (thank you Mr. Richards).

There are just too many people to thank for all the hard work and effort, not just at carnival time, but all year long. However, I simply must mention our Coaches and Program Assistants for all of the dedication and patience shown to skaters of all levels throughout the year. Our programs would not be possible without you.

We had another great year of fundraising, our auction was a huge success and our chicken sales have been a constant money maker for the club. This money goes directly to keeping registration fees as low as possible. We are looking forward to honouring all skaters at our upcoming Awards Banquet. Every skater is recognized for their achievements this year. It is a great way to cap off our winter season and celebrate what our skaters were able to do on the ice.

Our current board will be asking for volunteers to consider serving on the board for the upcoming year. We meet the second Tuesday of each month for approx. 2 hrs. It is a two year term that allows you to be involved in the decision making of the club. We do quite a bit of work, but we have a lot of fun doing it. Speak to any board member if you have some time to volunteer and are interested in helping our club.

I don't want to end the year without thanking all of our parents, for bringing your children to ZSC to learn to skate or further their skating skills. We do our best to offer quality program in a family atmosphere and hopefully you have enjoyed your time with us. There is spring skating that is continuing on in Thamesford for those who wish to skate a little longer. Please continue to check our local publications (McKay's flyer and the Village Voice) as well as our website for news about our upcoming fall school and winter registrations.

Don't put those skates away too far; they will be needed again before you know it.

Thanks for a great year and the opportunity to serve as your president for 2011-2012.

Happy Skating (and other activities)

*Suzanne McRoberts*

## Coaches Corner

It's hard to believe that another winter season has come and gone. It's been a very busy six months for our Coaching Staff planning practises, Special Fun Days, preparing for Competitions, Test Days and of course the annual Carnival "Lights! Camera! Action!". The last couple of weeks have been dedicated to testing all our Canskate A, Canskate B and Junior skaters and preparing their Report Cards. Good luck to the Starskate Skaters trying tests on March 26, 2012.

For several of our skater's training will continue on for the spring and summer months. Please ask any coach or board member if your skater would like to continue skating during the off season.

Don't forget to mark on your calendar the ZSC Awards Night & Dessert Potluck on Friday May 4 @ 6:30PM. The coaches are honoured to be given the opportunity to present each and EVERY Zorra Skater with their Skating Awards. It's a great evening of food, fellowship and fun! We hope to see all our skating students and families that night.

Last but not least I'd like to say ...Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

- ♥ To the dedicated ZSC board of directors for everything they do to enable our community to have the exceptional skating club it does. It would not exist without you!
- ♥ To the parents of our skaters for giving us the opportunity to coach your children.
- ♥ To my colleagues /friends for an awesome year of great coaching, hard work and fun.
- ♥ To the skaters for making each day at the rink an amazing adventure.

Yours in Skating,  
Debbie Roefs (Pro Rep)

## Bond

Thank you to the many families who have completed their bond requirements. Without all your hard work, this season wouldn't have been such a success.

Thank you,  
Becky Wilhelm and Jacquelynn Hewitt

# Carnival Report

What a great day we had for our carnival day on March 11<sup>th</sup>. "Lights, Camera, Action" was a big success. Thank you to all our coaches, skaters and volunteers for all your hard work. Without you this day would not have been possible.

Becky Wilhelm and Colleen Shrigley—Carnival Co-Chairs

## Fundraising

The Fundscrip fundraiser is still ongoing. Fundscrip information was distributed at registration. Fundscrip is a very simple way for everyone to work off their bond by doing their everyday shopping. Simply, you purchase gift cards online for which the club receives a percentage (usually 2-10%). The gift cards are then shipped to our club and they are handed out to the purchasers - then you go shopping. Once your bond is worked off, you will get 50% of your Fundscrip earnings off your registration next year! If you have any questions concerning this fundraising opportunity, please speak to any of our board members and they can explain it in more detail. Here is the link for Fundscrip with the invitation code already attached.

<http://www.fundscrip.com/LoginOrSignUp.aspx?IID=B8CG7T> Sign up today!

Thanks,  
Kathy Dodd  
Fundraising Chairperson

## Embro Fair Float

We are still looking for a new volunteer to organize our skating float for the fall 2012 fair. The theme for the fair this year is "Seaside Rendevous". Please approach any board member if you are interested or contact myself at 519-475-4697.

Thank you,  
Amber Matheson



## Badges and Other Accolades

On March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> we had many skaters attend the Futures competition in Milverton. They all did extremely well and represented the ZSC with pride. Congratulations to you all.

Also, congratulations to Ella McRoberts and Grayson Lochead on their 5<sup>th</sup> place finish at provincials in North Bay on March 18<sup>th</sup>.

We have handed out many badges so far this season and many are currently being handed out in the last few days of skating. Congratulations to all our skaters! See you at the awards ceremony.



## Upcoming Dates

Mar. 23, 2012 Fun Night, Last Day of CanSkate

Mar 26, 2012 Test Day

Mar. 29, 2012 Last Day of StarSkate

May 4, 2012 Awards Night

**\*\* Dates subject to change. \*\***

**\*\*\*Please watch the bulletin board for more information. \*\*\***

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