



Zorra Skating Club

January 2018

President's Message

Happy New Year and Welcome to the 2nd session. The holiday season was a busy one. It was great for Santa to find the time to visit us and spend some time with our skaters. A special thanks to our Program Assistants and Coaches for organizing a fun evening.

Our Holiday Ice Show was once again a success. We had many friends and families brave the blustery conditions to come and watch. Our skaters did not disappoint. It was a wonderful show and all of our skaters did our club very proud.

Congratulations to our "Cheers On Ice" winner, Vivian McDonald. This was the first year that the ZSC has tried this raffle as a fundraiser. It was a great success. Thank you to all of the families that donated some "Cheers" and a special thank you to Philip Rember for making the patio cooler and donating it to the raffle.

Please be reminded about our upcoming Dinner Auction. This is our largest fundraiser of the year. We need everyone's help in order to make this year's auction our most successful yet. Please try and think of businesses that you deal with, that you might be able to ask for a donation of goods or services. Donation forms are in each families' mail slot or you can print a copy from our website. Most importantly, please plan on attending. It is a fun filled night with a great meal and lots of bidding fun. Tickets are available now.

As we begin January, we start thinking about carnival time. It is always a very exciting time for our skaters. Debbie Roefs, our Carnival Producer is busy with all of the planning. All registered skaters will be included in our carnival if they wish to participate. We are always in need of volunteers to help wherever possible at carnival time. It doesn't have to be a large commitment. If you can help for a couple hours, sewing or cutting, hunting down or making props, we always welcome the help. Hours spent on carnival preparation do not count for your bond as typically the carnival does not make money. However, all of the kids love carnival time, so we do our best to make it a special show. We will be posting information on the bulletin board as more information is available. Please check it often for updates.

HAPPY SKATING!

Suzanne McRoberts (ZSC President)

Fundraising

Please keep an eye in your mail folder for our next MacMillans fundraiser to come in the next couple of weeks. Please look for the Elmira chicken form this week in your mail folder. The chicken order will be due on February 10th, with the delivery date Friday, March 2nd. Please pick up your order on March 2nd between 5:30-6:20pm as soon as you put your child on the ice. Thank you for your support!
-Sarah Pletsch and Christa Minler (Fundraising Chairs)

I Love my Skater Dinner and Auction

It is that time of year again. The Zorra Skating Club's annual **"I love my skater" dinner and auction** is coming up on Saturday, January 27th 2018. This is the largest fundraiser for our club and needs every family to be involved to make the evening a success. Please send in your donations. These can be donated personally or by asking a business for a donation.

Besides donations, we also need helpers for that day and evening. If you still require working off more of your bond, please consider signing up to assist us with the auction. There are lots of jobs and many hands make the work fun and easier for everyone! Lastly, tickets are available and we need to get selling them to family, neighbours and friends.

An auction works much better if there are people in the seats to actually bid! Please consider making this year's auction the best ever - get involved and most importantly have fun! Any questions or concerns, please contact us.

Thanks, Kathy Dodd & Kelly-Jane McKague-Member
(Auction Chairs)

I Love My Skater Dinner and Auction

Saturday, January 27th, 2018
Embryo Community Centre

6:00pm Cocktails

6:30pm Dinner

8:00pm Auction

Catered by Gator BBQ

Tickets—\$25.00

See any board member for tickets

Thank You Paul Matheson (former Zorra Skating Club Member)

Our Intermediate and Senior Skaters took part in a Skating Seminar conducted by Paul Matheson on December 28, 2017. Proper skating techniques were addressed. Our skaters enjoyed themselves so much as did the attending coaching staff. We all gained much knowledge and look forward to this being an annual event!

Zorra Skating Club Holiday Ice Show ~ December 28, 2017

Wow! Our skaters did a fabulous job debuting their new skating programs and look forward to their competitions in the 2018 skating season.

BOND OPPORTUNITY

The Zorra Skating club has partnered with three other groups to ensure the canteen at the Embro arena is open on a regular basis for the 2017/2018 season. This is a great and easy way to work off your bond this year. Every hour worked will take \$10.00 off your bond. We are in the middle of our January week but have weeks in February and March. There are hours throughout the evening from Monday-Friday and during the day on Saturday and Sunday. If interested, please sign up on the signup genius organizer or contact Nicole Barnett(cheetos18@hotmail.com) or Angela Langlois (angelanglois@hotmail.com) if interested.



Carnival Report



Well skating families it's that time of year again, it's Carnival time!

We will be having information sessions February 7th & 9th to better answer any questions you may have. There will be a sign up sheet posted that if you choose to have your child participate in this year's carnival **you will need to sign**. Carnival will be held on Sunday March 11th with 2 shows at 2:00pm and 7:00pm. There will also be a technical rehearsal on Monday, March 5th and a dress rehearsal on Thursday, March 8th. With these extra days CanSkate will still be held on Wednesday March 7th however it will not be held on the Friday. The Friday will be used to adjust the older skater's routines. We ask that all skaters attend all of these dates. Carnival is a large commitment however, it is the opportunity that allows the skaters to show their families how much they have improved.

Families that sign up for carnival will be receiving a more detailed information package in mid to late February showing exact times of events and what to provide for their child's costume. Most costume items will be provided to you to use by the Zorra Skating Club. Many of these costumes are older and we ask that skaters **do not eat or drink** in them nor do they leave the facility. Please keep in mind that there are absolutely no additional costs for carnival or for your costumes. The only costs there would be is if you choose to purchase photos on the day of carnival or if you wish to order a DVD.

Carnival is strictly ran by volunteers and without the help of our parents we cannot hold such an event. Postings will be put up on the bulletin board looking for help from anything from dressing room helpers to ice painters. Without the generous help of parents, the skaters of the Zorra Skating Club would not have the opportunity to showcase what they have accomplished this year. Please note that carnival volunteering does not count towards your bond hours. Carnival is totally separate and as previously mentioned cannot run without our parent volunteers.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact us at abgraves12@gmail.com.

Becky Graves & Greg Smith
2018 Carnival Co-Chairs

Upcoming Dates

Jan. 22, 2018	Intermediate Test Day
Jan. 27, 2018	I Love my Skater Dinner & Auction
Feb.10, 2018	Elmira Chicken Order is Due
Mar. 2, 2018	Elmira Chicken Order Pick Up (at arena between 5:30-6:20pm)
Mar. 5, 2018	Carnival Technical Rehearsal & Pictures
Mar. 7, 2018	Canskate - Wednesday & Friday Skaters
Mar. 8, 2018	Carnival Dress Rehearsal
Mar. 9, 2018	No Canskate - Skating for Juniors/Int./Seniors
Mar.11, 2108	ZSC Carnival
Mar.12, 2018	No Skating
Mar.23, 2018	Fun Night, Last Day of Canskate
Mar.29, 2018	Last Day of StarSkate



***Please watch the bulletin board or Website for more information

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