

2010 KOOTENAY REGION/PACIFIC STARSKATE QUALIFYING
HOSTED BY: CRANBROOK SKATING CLUB
JANUARY 22 - 24, 2010

Sanctioned by Skate Canada and conducted in accordance with the rules of Skate Canada.

REGISTRATION: SKATERS MUST REGISTER PERSONALLY at least ONE HOUR before their scheduled event. Please note that scheduling times may fluctuate and competitors should be aware that events COULD BEGIN UP TO ONE HALF HOUR BEFORE those **posted** on the official bulletin board

MUSIC:

Music will not be accepted unless it complies with this announcement.
Music must be turned in at least one hour prior to the start of the event
Upon Registration, each entry must provide 2 CD's; one for competition marked "Master" and one for backup marked "Copy".

Standard Specifications for CDs:

- Only one (1) program shall be recorded on each CD.
- The start of the music shall be recorded on CD at least 3 seconds following the head leader and not more than 5 seconds.
- Music shall be recorded at equal levels on both left and right channels in stereo.
- Music recording levels shall be a maximum of OVU and a minimum of SVU.
- CDs must be marked with the skater's name, home club, event and total music time (not skating time) and enclosed in their integral container, also marked accordingly.

The Competition Committee will accept no responsibility against damaged or lost tapes or CDs, but will take every precaution to safeguard them.

ICE SURFACE:

The Cranbrook Rec Plex ice surface is 85 ft. x 200 ft. with slightly rounded corners.
Address: 1772 2nd Street, North, Cranbrook, BC V1C 7G9

ATTENTION ALL COACHES:

Coaches: It is mandatory for all participating coaches to register at competitions and show their accreditation at all times during the competition in order to be at ice level during the events. Temporary accreditation will be issued by showing current Skate Canada membership and First Aid information for \$25.00 per day payable to your Region Coaches Committee.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. Skaters may enter only one event in each discipline of singles, pairs, dance, skills and interpretive. If entering competitive events, a skater may enter one short program event and one long program event. Local Organizing Committee events may also be entered as added events in any discipline. Skaters choosing to enter more than one event do so with the understanding that there may be scheduling conflicts that are unable to be resolved.

2. **EVENT COMPOSITION:** In normal circumstances, each category at the competition must be held for ladies and men separately. However, at the discretion of the Technical Representative/Chief Referee and the Host Committee, a decision to combine events may be made as follows:
 - Combine two or more categories in the same event when each category has fewer than three entries;
 - Combine two or more categories in the same event when one category has insufficient entries to hold the event;
 The decision to combine events is at the discretion of the Technical Representative/Chief Referee and the Host Committee. In any of the above cases, categories may be combined only with full prior knowledge and agreement of all competitors affected. Please note that in BC/YT Section competitions, men and women will compete against one another in skating skills and interpretive events.
3. The skating order shall be drawn by lot and may be drawn by computer for the initial round for the first or only portion of an event. Except as noted, draws will be made in accordance with SC Rules.
4. Should entries in a category be exceedingly large, competitive and STARSkate qualifying categories will be divided into smaller groups drawn by lot, which may also be drawn by computer. Non-qualifying STARSkate groupings will be divided according to age; interpretive events will be divided by free skate test level first and then if further grouping is required, by age.
5. Medals will be presented to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in Pre-Elementary, Elementary and Pre-Preliminary. A skate off will be held in all other singles events if necessary.
6. STARSkate events will be judge using 6.0 closed marking system. Competitive events will be judged using the CPC scoring system.
7. A perpetual trophy will be awarded to the Club with the highest total points. Points will be awarded as follows:

Four (4) entries or more:	1st Place	5 points
	2nd Place	3 points
	3rd Place	2 points
Three (3) entries:	1st Place	3 points
	2nd Place	2 points
Two (2) entries:	1st Place	2 points
8. Warm up times for events will be as follows:

Elementary, Pre-Preliminary Free Skate	3 minutes
Preliminary to Senior Bronze Free Skate	4 minutes
Pre-Juvenile, Junior Silver to Gold Free Skate	5 minutes
Juvenile to Senior Competitive Free Skate	6 minutes
All Interpretive Showcase events	3 minutes
STARSkate Pairs events	3 minutes
PreElementary Solo	3 minutes

All dance events will be governed by Skate Canada Rules.
Skills events will have a warm up of 3 minutes per skill.

The duration of the warm up periods may be reduced at the discretion of the referee to a minimum of three minutes. All warm up periods for one event must be equal.

9. Additional LOC and non-qualifying STARSkate events - tests passed and age shall be as of closing date of entries.
Pacific STARSkate Qualifying events - tests passed and age shall be as of December 15, 2009
10. Competitive Stream events age shall be as of July 1, 2009 and tests as of closing date of entries.
11. Entries must be in the hands of the registrar by December 19, 2009.
12. Entry fees shall be refunded only if the competition is not held or if the entry is withdrawn before the closing date of entry. NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN AFTER THE CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES OF THE COMPETITION FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER - SC RULE 7000 B 1.5(2)
13. A tentative schedule of events and confirmation of entries will be e-mailed to each club. There will be an official bulletin board at the arena listing the starting time of all events. This schedule will supersede all other schedules. The posting of notices on this board will be considered sufficient notification upon registration.
14. Admission is free.
15. If an event has only one competitor, the skater will be informed and have the option of skating up an event, skating for an evaluation only, or withdrawing with a refund. For Local Organizing Committee events, there is only the option of skating up or withdrawing with a refund. No evaluation will be done for this type of event.

ENTRY FEES:	Pre-Elementary Freeskate	\$ 20.00
	Single Events	\$ 40.00
	Double Event (Competitive)	\$ 60.00
	Pairs	\$ 40.00 (per couple)
	Dance (Fiesta Formation/14 Fours/Shadow)	\$ 40.00 (per entry)
	Interpretive and Skills Events	\$ 40.00
	Triathlon/ Biathlon Events	\$ 60.00
	Elements	\$ 25.00

Second Event: \$25.00 – this fee only applies if your first event is a single freeskate or a competitive event. Skills are not included as a second event with a reduced fee.

NOTE: YOUR ENTRY FEE MUST ACCOMPANY THE ENTRY FORM. Please make all cheques or money orders payable to the **CRANBROOK SKATING CLUB** and forward with your entry form to the **Registrar**.

Competition Registrar:

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TROPHIES:

All trophies won at the Kootenay Regional Championships are to be returned **POLISHED AND UNDAMAGED** by January 22nd **Contact person: Valerie Nichol – 250-426-6866**

The following trophies will be awarded:

THE BARCLAY TEAM TROPHY: Mr.& Mrs. S.W. Barclay of Balfour donated The Barclay Trophy in 1976 and the 2nd plaque was provided by the Nakusp F.S.C. The trophy is awarded to the club winning the most points during the Championships. All events are included in the total.

FERRARO FOODS AWARD: Presented to the gold medal winner in the Preliminary Ladies 10 and under Freeskate Event.

SHARLENE SUGIHARA AWARD: Awarded to a competitor in the Preliminary Freeskate category for the artistic interpretation of the music.

COACHES' JUNIOR ARTISTIC AWARD: Awarded to a competitor in the Senior Bronze, Pre Juvenile or Juvenile Freeskate events for the artistic interpretation of the music.

COACHES' SENIOR ARTISTIC AWARD: Awarded to a competitor in the Junior Silver, Senior Silver, Pre Novice, Novice, Gold or Gold Triathlon Freeskate events for the artistic interpretation of the music.

ROLF BENNER MEMORIAL AWARD: Awarded to a competitor in the Junior Bronze category for the artistic interpretation of the music.

MOST SPORTSMANLIKE TROPHY: Awarded to the club who displays the most sportsmanship behavior during the competition.

There are also trophies for Juvenile, Pre Novice and Novice for first place.

PRESENTATIONS:

The times of award presentations will be announced in the Competition schedule. Medals will be awarded in all final events.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION RE: REGION STARSkate CHAMPIONSHIPS / Pacific Skate Qualifying

1. There is no skating up in this competition (except in non-qualifying events and STARSkate Free Skate as per event specifications) as it will advance skaters to the Section Pacific STARSkate Championships to be held in Kamloops, March 11-14, 2010.
2. With the exception of Triathlon, Biathlon and Gold events, the winners of events at the Pacific STARSkate Championships may not enter the same event in subsequent seasons. They must advance to a higher test category regardless of age.
3. At the STARSkate Qualifying competitions skaters entering the Triathlon categories may not enter individual Free Skate or Interpretive categories.

Upon registration, competitors are not permitted to skate on any ice surface other than the official practice ice (if held) or competition ice as is scheduled for the event. This rule takes effect as soon as a skater has registered for any Pacific STARSkate Qualifying event.

Therefore, a registered skater competing in more than one event may not practice for the subsequent event even if they have not yet registered for the second event.

4. Tests passed as of December 15, 2009 shall qualify the competitor for each event.
5. Age restrictions, if any, shall be as of December 15, 2009.
6. **COMPETITIVE SKATERS:** Skaters registered to compete* in any event at the Novice or higher level at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying competition, do not qualify to compete in the STARSkate Championships in any category at any level. Skaters registered to compete in the Pre-Juvenile, Juvenile and Pre-Novice level at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying competition may register to compete in event categories at the STARSkate level other than those competed in at a Sectional or Sectional qualifying competition. Please see the table following for the qualifications for entry.

Note that Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile events are being offered at Pacific Skate. Skaters must qualify at this competition to enter Pacific Skate - top 4 skaters advancing to Pacific Skate Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile Singles. Juvenile Pairs and Dance teams may enter Pacific Skate directly without any qualification round.

* For purposes of interpretation of this regulation, registration for a Sectional or qualifying event is defined as the submission of a registration form for such event.

<u>Competitive Category (competed in at Sectionals or Sectional qualifying event)</u>	Events that may be competed in at the Pacific STARSkate Championships
Novice and higher in Singles, Pairs and Dance	No events
Juvenile/Pre-Novice Competitive Dance	Free Skate, Pairs, Interpretive, Triathlon
Pre-Juvenile/Juvenile/Pre-Novice Competitive Singles	Pairs, Dance, Interpretive, Biathlon
Juvenile/Pre-Novice Competitive Pairs	Free Skate, Dance Interpretive, Biathlon, Triathlon
Competitive Synchronized Skater	All events

7. **COMPETITIVE SINGLES TEST EQUIVALENCIES IN THE STARSkate PROGRAM:** regulation 4000-E-3.1 states, skaters passing free skating tests in the competitive test system are granted equivalencies for regular free skating tests as follows:

- Juvenile Competitive Singles Test = Senior Bronze Free Skating Test
- Pre-Novice Competitive Singles Test = Junior Silver Free Skating Test
- Novice Competitive Singles Test = Senior Silver Free Skating Test
- Junior Competitive Singles Test = Gold Free Skating Test

Skaters who have passed any of the competitive test equivalencies must enter the STARSkate Championships at the level corresponding to their highest STARSkate test passed or at the level which they received the equivalency in the STARSkate Program, whichever is higher. Entrants in the triathlon events must register to compete in the highest level that their test qualification qualifies them for. For example, a skater who has passed the senior silver skating skills, bronze interpretive and senior silver free skate must compete in the silver triathlon and cannot skate in bronze.

9. Should entries in any event be exceedingly large, the event will be divided into smaller groups, grouped by random draw, and the competitors shall skate an elimination round(s). All events that qualify a competitor to the Section STARSkate Championships will have a final round.
 10. All skaters must qualify through their Region in order to proceed to the BC/YT Section Pacific STARSkate Championships. All Skating Skills, Pre Elementary, Elementary and Pre-Preliminary Events and the Pre-Introductory Interpretive and Introductory Pair Events are non-qualifying STARSkate Events. Skaters entered in these events will not advance to the Section STARSkate Championships. Elementary, Pre-Preliminary and Pre-Introductory Interpretive groups will be determined by the number of entries and divided by age, if necessary, by the Chief Referee, Chief Accountant or the local organizing committee. Each resulting group shall be considered a final event.
 11. In events that progress skaters on to a subsequent competition or when a final round is held, skaters in the same category must be divided and grouped by random draw.
 12. Each region may advance four (4) skaters in all Free Skate events and the Triathlon and Biathlon events. Three skaters will advance in Interpretive events. All male skaters competing in FreeSkate and triathlon events will qualify for Pacific Skate. Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile events will advance 4 skaters to Pacific Skate.
 13. Where there are only the minimum eligible entries or less allotted in the Region STARSkate events, skaters must skate in order to qualify to advance to the Section STARSkate Championships.
- In the event of only one entry in any of the categories, the skater(s) may apply the Region Executive Board for a "Bye" directly to the BC/YT Section Pacific STARSkate Championships.

Registration for the BC/YT Section Pacific STARSkate Championships and planned program submission will be done online. Skaters who qualify, please look for notices posted in the arena for the time and place to meet with your Team Leader re the filing of entries and other information.

- For further information regarding the BC/YT Section Pacific STAR Skate Championships, please contact:
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EVENTS

For event requirements and specifications, please refer to the 2009-2010 BC/YT Section Technical Packages for STARSkate and Competitive, posted on your club bulletin board and also on the Technical page of the Skating in BC website. www.skatinginbc.com

Competitive

Pre-Juvenile Women, Men
Juvenile Women, Men, Pair
Juvenile Dance
Pre-Novice Women, Men, Pair
Pre-Novice Dance
Novice Women, Men, Pair
Novice Dance

STARSkate Events

Elementary	Women, Men
Pre-Preliminary	Women, Men, Skills
Preliminary	Women (10 & under), Women (11 & over), Men, Skills, Dance
Junior Bronze	Women (12 & under), Women (13 & over), Men, Skills, Dance
Senior Bronze	Women, Men, Skills, Dance
Junior Silver	Women, Men, Skills, Dance
Senior Silver	Women, Men, Skills, Dance
Gold	Women, Men, Skills, Dance
Pre Introductory	Interpretive
Introductory	Interpretive, Pair
Open	Pairs
Bronze	Interpretive, Triathlon (Women and Men)
Silver	Interpretive, Triathlon (Women and Men)
Gold	Interpretive, Triathlon (Women and Men)

OTHER LOC EVENTS

Pre-Elementary Ladies / Men

Skaters must not have passed any part of any Skate Canada Test. Jump elements may include waltz jumps, toe loops and salchows, but no higher. (This means no loops, flips, lutzs or axels). These jumps, if attempted, will receive no credit. In addition, a deduction of 0.1 will be taken in the first mark for each forbidden jump.

A 1-minute (+/- 10 seconds) Free Skating Program to music. If fewer than three entries are received for the Pre-Elementary Men's event, the men shall skate with the ladies.

Please note: If you are entering this event you cannot enter any other discipline (ie. skills, dance).

Pre-Introductory Pairs

Each partner must not have passed any competitive pair test or the complete Preliminary Free Skate Test.

One free skating program to music of 2.0 minutes (+/- 10 seconds) in length.

Pre-Preliminary Shadow Dance

Skated by two ladies (doing the same ladies steps) or two men (doing the same men's steps) in parallel, not touching. There should be an introduction (Maximum 7 steps) and a closing. Skaters should avoid excess posing.

Each competitor must not have passed the complete Preliminary Dance Test.

Two dances shall be skated in the order listed:

- Dutch Waltz
- Canasta Tango

Element Programs

- *NOTE:**
- a) **Skaters will skate Group 2.** All elements in the drawn group will be skated.
 - b) The four elements will be linked together by footwork or field moves in a program format without music.
 - c) The skater will have up to a maximum time (depending upon level) to complete these elements or standard time violations will apply (0.1 off both marks for up to every 10 seconds in excess)
 - d) There will be a general 3 minute warmup for this event.
 - e) Skaters will commence skating only after the announcer states that they may start.
 - e) A skater may only attempt each element once. If a skater falls on the element, they may not attempt the element again. A second attempt at an element will result in a deduction of 0.4 from the first mark. "At the beginning of an element" refers to the point at which the skater has committed to attempting the element.
 - f) Elements must be skated as listed. Each deviation from the rules will result in a deduction of 0.2 from the first mark for the program not being according to requirements.

Introductory Elements

Competitors must not have passed any portion of the Junior Bronze Freeskate Test or higher. Skaters will have a maximum of 1 minute to complete the required elements.

GROUP 1: Lutz-Loop (combination), flip, camel-sit (spin combination with minimum of 2 revolutions in each position, no change of foot or edge), back spiral on an edge (held for at least 2 seconds).

GROUP 2: **Flip-loop (combination), lutz, back upright spin (minimum of 3 revolutions, no change of edge), forward spiral on an edge (held for at least 2 seconds).**

Junior Bronze Elements

Competitors **MUST** have passed the Junior Bronze Freeskate Test or any portion thereof but no higher element test portion. Skaters will have a maximum of one minute to complete the required elements.

GROUP 1: Flip, axel, lutz-loop (combination), layback or sideways leaning spin (Minimum of 3 revolutions).

GROUP 2: Axel, lutz, flip-loop (combination), flying camel spin (Minimum of 3 revolutions).

Senior Bronze Elements

Competitors **MUST** have passed the Senior Bronze Freeskate Test or any portion thereof but no higher element test portion. Must not have passed any competitive freeskate test. Skaters will have a maximum of 2 minutes to complete the required elements.

GROUP 1: Axel, double toe loop, jump combination (one jump must be a double), sit change sit (minimum **of 4** revolutions on each foot).

GROUP 2: Axel, double salchow, jump combination (one jump must be a double), combination spin (2 positions and 1 change of foot, minimum of 2 revolutions in each position and 4 revolutions on each foot).

Open Element Program

This is an open event. No test restrictions. Skaters will have a maximum of 2 minutes to complete the required elements.

GROUP 1: Single or double axel, a double jump, jump combination (one jump must be a double), camel change camel (minimum of 4 revolutions on each foot).

GROUP 2: Single or double axel, a double jump, jump combination (one jump must be a double), sit change sit (minimum 4 revolutions on each foot).

TEAM ELEMENTS (new event this year)

This is intended as a fun event. Teams will consist of 4 skaters from the same club or from 2 clubs. Teams may be mixed or similiar. Coaches must be at ice surface with their skaters. Elements will be performed in isolation. Each team may decide in advance which skater will perform each element.

CANSKATE TEAM

For those skaters who are in the CanSkate group and have not yet passed any portion of the Preliminary Free Skate test.

loop jump, sit spin with backward crossover entry, backward crossovers, forward spiral

PRE-PRELIMINARY TEAM

Must not have passed any portion of the preliminary freeskate

Flip jump, Sit spin, Salchow/toe loop combination jump, Forward spiral

PRELIMINARY TEAM

Must have passed the preliminary freeskate test but no higher

Lutz jump, Camel spin, Loop/loop combination jump, Backward spiral

JUNIOR BRONZE TEAM

Must have passed the junior bronze freeskate test but no higher

Axel, Camel/sit spin, Lutz/loop combination jump, Two spirals in sequence (one on each foot)

SENIOR BRONZE TEAM

Must have passed the senior bronze freeskate but no higher

Double salchow jump, Flying camel back sit spin, Split/split jump combination, Combination of spirals using each foot

JUNIOR SILVER TEAM

Must have passed the junior silver freeskate but not higher

Double toe jump, Combination spin with at least 2 positions and 1 change of foot

Jump combination consisting of 1 single and 1 double jump
Circular footwork sequence using full width of ice

SENIOR SILVER TEAM

Must have passed the senior silver freeskate but no higher
Double loop jump, Flying sit spin
Jump combination consisting of at least 2 double jumps
Combination of 3 field movements in sequence

GOLD TEAM

Must have passed the complete gold freeskate test
Double flip jump, Spin combination with at least 3 positions and 1 change of foot
Jump sequence consisting of at least 3 jumps with a minimum of 2 double jumps
Combination of 3 field movements in sequence

OPEN SOLO DANCE (Rounds and sequences as per Rule Book)

OPEN JUNIOR SILVER SOLO DANCE

Skaters **MUST** have passed the complete Senior Bronze Dances and **NOT** passed the complete Junior Silver Dances. **Dances to be skated** – KEATS FOXTROT AND AMERICAN WALTZ

OPEN SENIOR SILVER SOLO DANCE

Skaters **MUST** have passed the complete Junior Silver Dances and **NOT** passed the complete Senior Silver Dances. **Dances to be skated** – PASO DOBLE AND BLUES

OPEN GOLD SOLO DANCE

Skaters **MUST** have passed the complete Senior Silver Dances. **Dances to be skated** – STARLIGHT WALTZ AND QUICKSTEP

Fourteen Fours

Each team is comprised of any combination of four (4) skaters. Four (4) skaters perform a modified version of the 14 Step in various forms. Each team **MUST** complete three (3) full rounds of the dance. No more than fourteen (14) introductory steps and a pleasing closing. A club may enter more than one team.

Teams **MUST** provide their own tape/CD of any SC 14 Step music.

At least two skaters on the team **MUST** have passed the Junior Bronze Dance Test.

This is meant to be a fun event. Costumes are encouraged and skaters are to be creative in their formations with minimal help from coaches. Modest apparel and no carnival effects are to be used.

NEW EVENT – New Judging System Evaluation

This season the Junior Bronze and higher freeskate events will be judged on the CPC judging system at Pacific Skate. To provide our skaters and officials with an opportunity to work and learn this system better, we are offering an assessment event. Elements will be identified by a certified technical panel official. Skaters will receive feedback forms from every member of the judging panel. This event is open to Junior Bronze and higher StarSkate skaters and Competitive Stream skaters. Please state your current free skate level.