

**2018
OKANAGAN REGIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIPS
ANNOUNCEMENT**

**February 16-18,2018
Hosted by the Vernon Figure Skating Club
Held at Kal Tire Place
3445 43rd Ave, Vernon, B.C
V1T 8P5**



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[Online registration](#) must be completed by 11:45 pm Sunday Dec 31, 2017

ENTRIES OPEN 6:00 AM FRIDAY DEC 1, 2017

Entry in this competition is limited by the ice time available and priority will be given to Okanagan Region skaters. Please enter early to avoid disappointment.

DATE: February 16-18, 2018

HOST: Vernon Figure Skating Club

VENUE: Kal Tire Place, 3445 43rd Ave, Vernon, B.C. V1T 8P5

ICE SURFACE: 85' x 200'

REGISTRAR: Janet Gordon
ggordon@persona.ca

HOTEL INFORMATION: Prestige Inn, 4411 32nd Street, Vernon B.C. V1T 9G8
250-558-5991

TECHNICAL INQUIRIES: Janice Hunter janicedhunter@gmail.com

TECH REP: Nancy Mann-Chernis ndennistk@hotmail.com

EVENTS TO BE HELD & ENTRY INFORMATION

STAR 1 (please note that these events may be conducted using double panel judging and utilizing one-half of the ice each, should time constraints require it)	Girls & Boys Combined		\$50.00
STAR 2	Girls	Boys	\$60.00
STAR 3	Girls	Boys	\$65.00
STAR 4	Girls U10	Boys	\$75.00
STAR 4	Girls U13		\$75.00
STAR 4	Girls 13&O		\$75.00
STAR 5	Girls U10	Boys	\$75.00
STAR 5	Girls U13		\$75.00
STAR 5	Girls 13&O		\$75.00
STAR 6 Free Skate	Women	Men	\$80.00
STAR 7 Short Program	Women	Men	\$80.00
STAR 8 Free Skate	Women	Men	\$80.00
STAR 9 Short Program	Women	Men	\$80.00
STAR 10 Free Skate	Women	Men	\$80.00
GOLD Free Skate	Women	Men	\$80.00
Pre-Introductory Interpretive	Combined Women & Men		\$70.00
Introductory Interpretive	Combined Women & Men		\$75.00
Bronze Interpretive	Combined Women & Men		\$75.00
Silver Interpretive	Combined Women & Men		\$75.00
Gold Interpretive	Combined Women & Men		\$75.00
*Pre- Juvenile	Women U11		\$80.00
*Pre- Juvenile	Women U13	Men U13	\$80.00
Juvenile	Women U12		\$80.00
Juvenile	Women U14	Men U14	\$80.00
Pre-Novice – Short Program	Women U16	Men U16	\$80.00
Pre-Novice – Free Skate Program	Women U16	Men U16	\$80.00
Novice – Short Program	Women U17	Men U17	\$80.00
Novice – Free Skate Program	Women U17	Men U17	\$80.00
Creative Improv 1	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Creative Improv 2	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Creative Improv 3	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Creative Improv 4	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements - Star 2	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements - Star 3	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements - Star 4	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements - Star 5	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00

Elements - Star 6	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements - Star 7/8	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements - Star 9/10	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements - Gold	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Elements – Open ** (Sr. Bronze or higher)	Combined Women & Men		\$42.00
Special Olympics Singles Level 1	Women	Men	\$50.00

*Note: In BC/YK competitions, Pre-Juvenile Singles program time allows the option of 2:00 or 2:30 (+/- 10 seconds)

**The Open Elements category may be used if there are not sufficient numbers to run Senior Bronze and above categories.

Entry fees will 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 (Dec 31, 2017) FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER. **All payments must be made online at the time of registration.**

LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TECH REP AND THE LOC AND WILL BE CHARGED DOUBLE THE ENTRY FEE.

[Online Registration](#) must be completed by 11:45 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017. Instructions for entering online can be found on **page 7** of this announcement.

For all categories age shall be the age of the skater before July 1, 2017 and tests passed shall be as of Dec. 31, 2017 (closing date of entries). **Age categories may be combined if there are insufficient entries in an individual category.**

For event requirements and specifications, please refer to the **2017-2018 Skate Canada Singles Competition Program Requirements, the 2017-2018 STAR Competition Program Requirements, and the 2017-2018 Special Olympics Competition Program Requirements** documents, posted on the Technical page of the [Skating in BC website](#). This includes the requirements for the Elements and Creative Improv Events.

PLANNED PROGRAM SHEETS for ALL Free Skate events except STAR 1, 2, 3 & 4 must be e-mailed to Janet Gordon at ggordon@persona.ca or faxed c/o Gordon & Young at 250-495-6404 no later than February 4, 2018. **Please note that all planned programs must be submitted on the form provided on the Okanagan Regionals section of both the Skating in BC and Okanagan Region websites. No other format will be accepted.** Special O Planned Program forms may be submitted to Janet Gordon or submitted at the competition registration table.

A tentative schedule of events and groups will be posted on the [competition page](#) of the BC/YK Section website and on the Okanagan Region website – okregion.homestead.com. Any last-minute changes to schedules will be posted on the websites and also at the arena. **Please note that events may start up to one half hour earlier than scheduled.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. Skaters may enter only one event per discipline of singles and interpretive. If short and free programs are listed as separate events, skater may enter one short program and one free program. Skaters choosing to enter more than one event including supplementary STAR events do so with the understanding that there may be scheduling conflicts that are unable to be resolved.
2. All categories: Should entries in an event be exceedingly large, the event will be divided into smaller groups. Each group will be considered a final. Note that in BC/YK Section competitions, men and women will compete together in all STAR Supplementary Events and all Interpretive events.
3. Should there be only one entry in any event, the competitor may skate for an evaluation only*, skate up one level, or withdraw and the entry fee for that event will be refunded. If there is a last-minute withdrawal in an event that had only 2 entries, the options apply for the remaining skater. *Skating for an evaluation is only applicable to competitive categories and STAR Free Skating categories. If a technical panel is not available the evaluation will be for Program Components only.
4. MARKING: Please see the STAR Competition Program Requirements on the Section website for the marking criteria for each of the STAR and Supplementary Event categories. Note that the lower levels are all assessed with ribbons awarded. Competitive categories are all marked in CPC.
5. REGISTRATION: Skaters must register at least one hour before their event is scheduled to start.
6. WARM UP TIMES:

STAR 2	3 minutes
STAR 3 to STAR 5	4 minutes
Star 6 to Gold and Pre-Juvenile	5 minutes
Juvenile to Novice competitive	6 minutes
Interpretive	3 minutes
Elements	3 minutes
Creative Improv	as outlined in the Technical package

* At the discretion of the Referee, the warm up periods may be reduced to a minimum of 3 minutes. All warm-up periods for one event must be equal.

7. MUSIC REQUIREMENTS:
 - **ALL SKATERS with the exception of STAR 1, must submit an individual CD when they register at the competition.**
 - Only CD's will be accepted. Only one program shall be recorded on each CD.
 - The start of the music shall be recorded on the CD with less than two seconds of lead in.
 - Competitor's name followed by music time (not skating time) shall be clearly printed on one side of the CD.
 - Each CD shall be enclosed in its plastic container, also marked with the skater's name, home club, event and total music time.
 - Competitors must hand in their music at the registration desk at least one hour prior to the

start of their event. The Organizing Committee will accept no responsibility against damage but will take every precaution to safeguard each CD.

- **A backup CD is a requirement of each competitor and should be at rinkside during the skater's performance.**
8. COACHES: In order to be at ice level during the events, it is mandatory for all participating coaches to register at the competition and have proof of current coach registration and accreditation. Temporary accreditation will be issued by showing current Skate Canada membership and First Aid information for \$25.00 per day (payable to the Okanagan Region Coaches Committee).
 9. ADMISSION will be free to all.
 10. AWARDS will be presented immediately following the posting of results for each category.
 11. There will be a photographer at this competition for official and action shots. Persons wishing to take photographs of on ice performances are reminded that use of flash cameras is forbidden. The use of video cameras must be restricted to areas that do not hamper the skaters or officials. **PLEASE NOTE:** you may only take pictures or videos of your own skater.
 12. Protests: Skate Canada [Protest Rule](#) for competitions using CPC will be followed. In addition, if there is an event using manual calculation where the results are not posted within one hour of the completion of the last event of the day, the protest must be made to the Event Referee within the first hour of the following day's competition. If the Event Referee is unavailable, the protest may be made to the Tech Rep.
 13. TESTS: STARSkate Free Skate Part Two tests, Senior Bronze to Gold and Interpretive will be offered. Skaters must be registered to compete in the same event they are testing in. The exception is skaters competing in competitive categories Juvenile and higher, who may also apply for Junior Silver, Senior Silver or Gold Free Skate Part Two. In this case, if the test is passed, the skater will receive credit for both Parts 1 and 2 of the test. As such, skaters will need to pay for both parts when registering, regardless of the outcome of the test. If a skater has already passed Part 1, they will not need to pay again. Skaters wishing to take tests should contact Janet Gordon at ggordon@persona.ca prior to the close of entries on Dec 31, 2017. Please note that there are additional fees when taking tests.

Yvette Delcourt Memorial Award: will be presented to the Okanagan Region skater who receives the highest Free Skate Score at the 2018 Okanagan Region Championships.

REGIONAL POSTER CONTEST THEME:

The poster theme for the 2018 Regional Championships will be
WINTER OLYMPICS!

Bring your club's poster and have it displayed at the arena throughout the competition.

[Online Registration Instructions](#)

The Okanagan Region has an online registration system with the company Karelo.com. All registrations must be completed using this online system. **To begin the process please visit the site listed below:**

<http://www.karelo.com/register.php?BID=412&BT=10&Ev=17589>

NEW: The registration system will generate an automatic email to the skater's coach. Coaches are encouraged to check the confirmation email to ensure their skater(s) is registered in the correct event.

Using Karelo for the first time

The first time you use Karelo.com to register for an event, you will be asked to choose a [log in name & a password](#), and to enter your contact information. **When entering contact information, please use the skater's name and not the parent's name.** Skate Canada Number must be entered as per your Skate Canada Card (i.e. 10 digits including all zeros). This is a very short and simple step that will enable you to avoid the hassle of re-entering your information for each event registration! Your contact information is never shared with third parties. Please review Karelo's '[Privacy Policy](#)' for more details.

Entering your registration

If you have never used Karelo.com before, go to '[I am new to Karelo.com](#)' and select a login name and a password; enter your contact information. Then follow these steps:

1. Log in. Select the event that you want to register for from the Event list.
2. Enter your registration information.
3. Enter your credit card information (Visa or MasterCard). This is a secure transaction. Your credit card is charged immediately.
4. You are registered! Check your email for the confirmation email with your registration details.

IMPORTANT: If you and your coach DO NOT receive an email confirmation from Karelo.com or receive a confirmation number, then you are NOT REGISTERED for the competition. Please contact the registrar if this occurs.

REGISTRAR: Janet Gordon: ggordon@persona.ca