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CARNIVAL NEWS

ORILLIA FIGURE SKATING CLUB – CARNIVAL NEWSLETTER

THE WIZARD OF OZ

The Orillia Figure Skating Club is actively planning our club Ice Show “Wizard of Oz”. On February 24, 2024, all Orillia Figure Skating Club skaters are invited to join us in telling the story of Dorothy's journey to the Emerald City. In preparation for the show, each group and/or session will begin practicing their show programs several weeks prior to the performance.



Skating Carnival Ice Show

There are two shows on Saturday February 24th including a Matinee Performance at 2:00pm and an evening performance at 7:00pm. ALL skaters will be performing in BOTH shows. Dress rehearsal will take place on Friday February 23rd beginning at 4:00pm.

COSTUMES

The OFSC loans costumes to skaters. Costumes for their carnival routine **will be provided** to the skaters for the use of the event at no extra cost. The costumes are either sewn by parent volunteers or recycled from our vast costume wardrobe. Costumes will be KEPT AT THE ARENA and are NOT to be taken home. Each skater is responsible for providing the appropriate colour of accessories (i.e., tights, turtlenecks, or pants) to wear under their carnival costume. All skaters are reminded they must obtain the correct accessories for their costumes prior to picture day in January. Boot covers and tights that cover skates are NOT PERMITTED. ***** All accessories to the costumes MUST be worn for picture night******

Included in this newsletter you will find information regarding what group your child will be in, and what costume accessories are required.

PICTURE DAY

All skaters will be asked to have their picture taken in costume for our carnival program. Attached to this newsletter is the picture night schedule, as well as information regarding purchasing options.

Picture days are as bellow:

Tuesday January 23, 2024 - ROTARY ARENA

- ALL PRECAN Skaters
- ALL Bronze, Silver and Gold skaters, along with specialty numbers
- Development Team
- ALL soloists

Wednesday January 24, 2023 – BRIAN ORSER ARENA

- ALL CanSkaters
 - ALL Little Stars
- ** ALL Monday and Friday CanSkaters are invited to skate on this night****

SKATE GUARDS

All skaters **MUST HAVE SKATE GUARDS** (with last name clearly marked on the guards) for Picture Day, Dress Rehearsal and both Carnival Performances. The skate guards must be **HARD GUARDS** – not the soft covers.

ADVERTISING

We are still actively running our advertising campaign for our Carnival Program. Our program will be made available to all our skaters, their families and show guests throughout both shows. We would like to ask your support in advertising in our carnival program to help make this event a success for our young skaters. Advertising packages are available under our Carnival tab on our website.

DRESS REHEARSAL

Friday February 23, 2024 is full dress rehearsal. Dress rehearsal is a complete run through of the entire show, with skaters wearing full costumes held at Rotary Place. A schedule will be included in the January Newsletter. All Skaters from PreCan to Gold are expected to attend.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS

The production of the carnival would not be possible without the help of our parent/guardian volunteers.

SEWERS are NEEDED. We need to prepare over 400 costumes for all our skaters. Some we purchase, some we sew, some we remodel into a different costume, along with costume repairs and add-ons are all needed. If you can sew, PLEASE let us know – we NEED your help!

A special THANK YOU to our team that has been working hard on our PreCan costumes. We truly appreciate all your help.

CALLING ALL DADS – set up for the show will begin at noon on Friday February 23rd. Set up includes setting up scaffolding for our 7 spotlights, setting up our 30' x 90' curtain across the ice surface, decoration the boards, and covering ALL the window in the rink! Set up will continue throughout the evening, so please let Tracey know if you are available to help at teamtracey@orilliapronet.com. We especially need volunteers who have “working at heights” certification. PLEASE consider helping if you can.

We will require volunteers for Dress Rehearsal as well as for both shows of the Carnival. Parent volunteers will be needed in the dressing rooms, at the sign in table, security and quick change to name a few. Sign-up sheets for all the volunteer positions needed will be posted in the new year. Keep an eye out! Please feel free to ask any club coaches for more clarification on what each position entails.

For anyone interested we would love to have more volunteers join the carnival committee to help with planning and executing our ice show.

If you have any questions or concerns please email info@orilliafigureskatingclub.com with the subject “Carnival”.

Attachments: costume requirements, picture day schedule