

# Coaches Newsletter

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As most of you should be aware, Skate Canada is in the final pilot season of the revised CanSkate program. The revised program will be soft launched in 2012 and by September 2014, all clubs must have implemented the CanSkate program.

Due to the number of changes and revisions that have been made to the program, all coaches who coach CanSkate will be required to take a CanSkate update course before they may coach the revised CanSkate program at their respective clubs.

Delivery options are currently being looked into by Skate Canada and more information will be provided as we receive it.

Make sure to keep up to date on all of the new changes by reading the email blasts that Skate Canada regularly sends out and by visiting Members Only.



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**Remember—for any coaching issues, concerns or questions, your first point of contact should be with your Regional Coaches' Representative!!**

If the Coaches Rep has changed in your region for the upcoming season, please let Mary Ann Penner and the Section Office know, so contact information can be updated.

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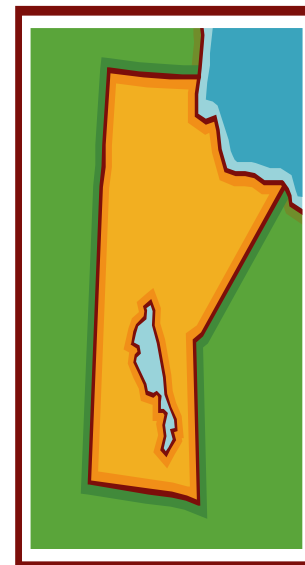
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## A word from the Section's Coaches Representative



Happy 2012 Coaches!

I hope your skaters had a good learning opportunity at Regionals that will help them prepare for Provincial STARSkate (Pre Preliminary and higher). The winter is going fast but still lots of events to go to between competitions and test days.

Each Regional Competition hosted a coaches meeting and Provincial Coaches meetings are being planned for MB Open and Provincial STARSkate.

Mark your calendar for the 2012 Coaches AGM to be held the weekend of the Skate Canada Manitoba AGM April 28 in Winnipeg.

The 2012 Skate Canada National Coaching Conference will take place in Vancouver in May alongside the Skate Canada ACGM.

Over the last year we have had a lot of new coaches take the NCCP CanSkate and Primary STARSkate coaching courses. Please remember to be a mentor to these young coaches and help them build their profession.

Watch the Skate Canada Member's Only site for updates as we are upon major changes with the Competitive Restructuring. We will continue to bring you updates as they become available at the upcoming coaches meetings.

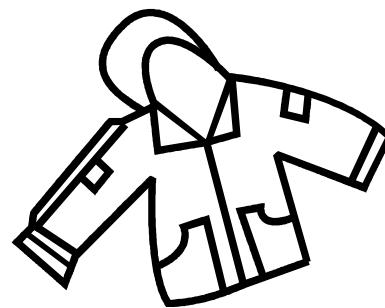
Remember your first point of contact is your Regional Coaches Representative.

All the best with training your skaters over the next few months!

Remember to keep your CEP current and get them signed! We are now in the 2012 – 2014 cycle.

In skating,  
MaryAnn Penner

## Coaches Jacket



Skate Canada Manitoba provided coaches the opportunity to purchase a Skate Canada Manitoba "Coach" jacket in December. We will be placing another order in February, so if you are interested in ordering a jacket, please visit our website ([www.mbskates.ca](http://www.mbskates.ca)) as we have an order form available. The deadline to place your order is:

**February 10th, 2012.**

The jackets will be mailed to you once they are received from the supplier.

## 2011-2012 Skate Canada Manitoba Competitions

- Skate Canada Manitoba Sectionals: November 4 & 5 - Winnipeg
- Skate Canada Manitoba Synchronized Skating Championships : January 7–Killarney
- Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships February 4 –5—Souris
- Manitoba Open: February 17-19 – Stonewall
- Skate Canada Manitoba STARSkate Championships: March 2-4—Winkler
- Crocus Invitational: March 18—Hartney
- Central Plains/Pembina Valley: January 21—Altona
- Norman: January 28—The Pas
- Interlake: January 28—Warren

### Regional Competitions

- Winnipeg: January 14—Winnipeg
- N & S Westman: January 14— Carberry
- Eastman: January 15—Lorette
- Parkland: January 22—Ste. Rose



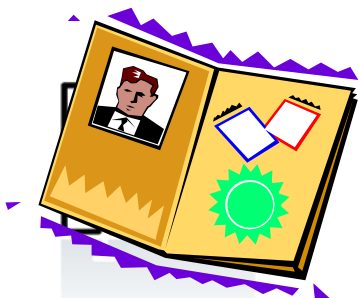


## Changes to the Skate Canada Accreditation Policy for Competitions

### New Accreditation Policy:

**Pre– Juvenile and Juvenile Sectional Events: As of July 1, 2011**, all coaches attending Pre-Juvenile events at a Sectional event must be Intermediate STARSkate / Provincial Coach (IS/PC) certified.

**Junior Nationals: As of July 1, 2012**, all coaches attending this event will be required to be NCCP Level 3 certified. This means that coaches of Novice and Junior level competitors will have to meet this standard prior to Junior Nationals in January 2013.



**Canadian Synchronized Skating Championships: As of July 1, 2013**, all coaches attending this event must be NCCP Level 3 certified. This means that coaches of Novice, Intermediate, Junior, Senior or Open teams must be NCCP Level 3 certified prior to the Synchronized Skating Championships in 2014.

## 2012 Skate Canada Challenge

Skate Canada Manitoba sent a team of 17 skaters to represent Manitoba at the 2012 Skate Canada Challenge, November 30—December 4, 2011 in Regina. Our two Team Leaders were Marj Beddall and Patrick Wong. Unfortunately, Alexa-Marie Arrotta and Martin Nickel withdrew from the Senior Dance Event.

Thank you to Marj and Patrick for all of your hard work! Everyone had a great experience at this event! **Congratulations**, to all the coaches who attended Challenge with their skaters. Kate Charbonneau and Kaleigh Hole qualified to compete at Canadians in Moncton this past week. Kaleigh finished 12th and Kate finished 6th. Congratulations!!

### CHALLENGE RESULTS:

#### Senior Women

Kate Charbonneau— 4th

Kaleigh Hole— 12th

#### Novice Women

Madison McCallum— 25th

Brooklyn Parker — 39th

Mercedes McLean — 35th

Sarah Slagerman— 52nd

#### Pre-Novice Women

Amy Todoruk — 46th

Kirsten Gutenberg— 43rd

Tori Thiessen— 47th

Dominique Bergeron— 37th

#### Pre-Novice Dance

Deidre Russell & - 19th

Jeremy Ploughman

#### Pre-Novice Men

Justin Wong— 28th

Jeremy Ploughman— 32nd

#### Junior Women

Deidre Russell—22nd

Stacey Woods— 24th

Lindsay Penner— 35th

#### Senior Dance

Alexa-Marie Arrotta & - WD

Martin Nickel





## BITS & BITES

- ◆ ISPC Home Study Guides are available to order from the Section Office. An order form can be found on our website under the Clinics/Seminars tab. The cost is \$50 and this is your first step in ISPC certification. You must successfully complete the ISPC Home Study prior to registering for the ISPC courses.
- ◆ Skate Canada Manitoba's AGM will be held in Winnipeg on April 28th at the Delta
- ◆ A CanSkate session will take place on April 27th. Details will follow at a later date.
- ◆ The Grassroots Bursary will take place April 21st at the Winnipeg Winter Club

## A Note From The Recreation Coaches Community

December was a busy month for us all! Megan Svistovski and Dana McKee were given the opportunity to travel to Ottawa and be trained as part of the CanSkate Resource Team. The weekend was a full schedule and wonderful learning opportunity for everyone involved. The ladies came home re-energized and full of knowledge to share. There will be presentations on the information gained at both the AGM and Coaches AGM in April.

Skate Brandon and the Boissevain Figure Skating Club are halfway through the first season of running the CanSkate Pilot. The club executive and coaching staff would like to invite any coaches or board members interested in seeing the Pilot in action to attend their sessions. Coaches - bring your skates and join us on the ice! For program schedule times, please contact Megan at

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-Megan Svistovski



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## Upcoming NCCP Courses

### CanSkate Course

April 13th—15th: Brandon—Keystone Centre

### Primary STARSkate Course

April 13th—15th: Winnipeg & Morris—Sport For Life Centre & Morris Arena

### CanSkate Course

August 24th—26th: Winnipeg—Winnipeg Winter Club

**Please check the Skate Canada Manitoba website for complete details by clicking on the Clinics/Seminars tab.**

**Check out our website at**

**[www.mbskates.ca](http://www.mbskates.ca)**

**for all the latest**

**information.**

**If there is something that you would**

**like to see included in the next**

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