

ANNOUNCEMENT

MFSC Autumn Challenge 2017

EVENT STATUS: Club Event

Event Date	6-7th May 2017
Date Close of Entries	11pm Thursday 20 April 2017 : NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED
Date Time Place of Initial Draw	Date: 29 April 2017 Time: 10am Venue: OBGGA Level 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The draw will determine skating order. For 2-program events, the Free Program is skated in reverse placement order. ○ Draw will be undertaken by two Club Officials.
Competition Convenor Contact Information	Name: Karen Dukes Email: competition.convenor@fsc.melbourne Phone: 0411 020 111
Event Website	Please refer to fsc.melbourne/autumn-challenge-2017 for latest event information.
Event Venue	O'Brien Group Arena Pearl River Road, Docklands
Ice Dimensions	Henke Rink - 60m x 30m
Technical Requirements	As per current ISU and ISA Technical requirements refer to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules ○ ISU Communications ○ ISA Regulations and Communications
Other Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Artistic events - refer ISA By-Laws Section 3 Rule 350 ○ Other events – refer to Appendix in this announcement
Results	The IJS (ISU Judging System) will be used for all IJS Divisions (Preliminary to Senior, and Adults) with Open marking. Results displayed or announced will remain provisional until the results are certified by the segment Referee and Technical Controller on the official result form.

	<p>Aussie Skate divisions are as indicated in the Aussie Skate™ Competition Manual but will be judged using IJS based on Skating Skills, Technical Elements and Presentation. The component scale is from 0.25-5.0 (0.25 being lowest, 5.0 being highest) with a factor of 1.0. Deductions include 0.5 for falls and 0.5 for elements from a level higher. <i>Ties will be decided on the Skating Skill component.</i></p> <p>Aussie Skate Elements will be judged using a mark for each element and one for presentation. Closed marking will be used.</p>
Membership Requirements	<p>At close of entries, all Australian competitors must be a full financial member of their relevant State Association and an affiliated club. (Inclusive of ISA Insurance Registration either directly or via their state association).</p> <p>The membership must be valid during the full competition period.</p> <p>All Aussie Skate™ entrants must also be registered with ISA Aussie Skate™ and currently enrolled in Aussie Skate™</p>
Insurance/Liability	<p>All members of State Associations are covered under the ISA National Insurance Policy while participating in the event. This policy includes Sport Accident cover.</p> <p>ISA & MFSC assume no responsibility for other persons in connection with this event.</p>
Eligibility to Compete	<p>Skaters Preliminary and above must have passed the relevant ISA test level at the close of entries.</p> <p>Competitors in Aussie Skate™ divisions must compete at the highest test level passed by the competition closing date and cannot enter a level lower than that which they have previously competed.</p> <p>Skaters who have passed the ISA Preliminary Test at close of entries are not permitted to compete at Aussie Skate™ level.</p>
Practice Sessions	<p>No official practice sessions are available for Autumn Challenge.</p> <p>Regular freestyle sessions are available at O'Brien Group Arena – please visit www.obriengrouparena.com.au for session times and costs.</p>

COMPETITION ENTRY DETAILS	
Entry Process and Eligibility to Compete	<p>Online entry submitted directly to LOC by competitors The LOC will provide a list of competitors to the state associations within (2) two days of close of entries. State Associations will confirm to the LOC as soon as possible thereafter, the skaters' eligibility to compete as well as membership status of both club and state.</p> <p>PPC and Music submission must be submitted with the entry or the entry remains incomplete.</p>
Conditions for Online Entry	<p>All Interstate competitors must notify their relevant state association of their entry submission prior to entering.</p> <p>All state associations will be asked to confirm that entrants are full financial members in good standing, of both the state association and an affiliated club. (see details above)</p>
Payment Process	<p>Payments for this event are made through our online registration process. Refer to our website fsc.melbourne/autumn-challenge-2017 for all information and links.</p>
Entry Conditions	<p>Entries will not be considered complete unless accompanied by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Full Payment paid on entry ○ Music File electronically submitted as outlined on entry ○ Planned Program Content Sheet (PPC) for all IJS-level programs to be received on entry. <p>Late entries will not be accepted</p>
Divisions	<p>Aussie Skate Elements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No program or music required: skaters will complete two nominated elements from their level. Refer to appendix for event details. • Tiny Tots, Basic 1&2, Novice 1&2, Intermediate 1&2 • Adult 1-4 • Freeskate 1-4 (Youth & Adult) <p>Aussie Skate Technical</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tiny Tots, Basic 1&2, Novice 1&2 Intermediate 1&2 • Adult 1-4 • Freeskate 1-4 (Youth & Adult) <p>IJS Technical Singles</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary to Senior • Adult Copper to Masters/Elite (ISA divisions) • Adult Pewter (refer to Appendix for event details) <p>Artistic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aussie Skate & IJS levels • Artistic Duo, Trio, Group or Ensemble (refer to Appendix for details) <p>Other divisions may be available based on interest: please contact the competition convenor.</p>

Withdrawals	Refund only with a medical certificate provided <u>before the draw</u> . No refunds permitted after the draw. A 10% administrative fee to cover costs may be deducted from the refund.
Music Provision and File Naming	<p>Online upload: All competitors will submit a copy of their music electronically via the upload link on the LOC website. If not received by close of entries, the entry will be considered incomplete. All files must be submitted in MP3 format.</p> <p>Available at Event: CD All competitors will have on hand at the event a back-up copy of their music on CD. Music on mobile phones will not be accepted.</p> <p>* Please refer to document: <u>ISA Music Provision Protocol V1 2016/2017</u></p> <hr/> <p>Standard File Naming: Division_Segment_Name_RunTime</p> <p>IJS Technical e.g. ElementaryMen_FS_David Smith_2m3s e.g. AdvNovDance_FD_Jane Smith_John Davis_3m10s e.g. JuniorLadies_SP_Jane Smith_2m45s e.g. AdultSynchro_FS_Team Melody_3m30s</p> <p>IJS Artistic ART_Division e.g. ART_Elementary_Donna Smith_1m40s</p> <p>Aussie Skate Technical [AS_Division] e.g. AS_FS2_Donna Smith_1m30s</p> <p>Aussie Skate Artistic ASART_Division e.g. ASART_FS2_Donna Smith_1m30s</p>
Other Music file notes	<p>All competitors must have on hand at the event, a backup copy of their competition music on CD or USB Drive, as specified.</p> <p>Music (ISU Rule 343 Singles, Pairs & Dance and ISU Rule 823 SYS): Please note paragraphs 1a), 1b), 1c), 2, 3, 4, re: Music Reproduction. Each program (short program, free skating, short dance, free dance) must be recorded on a separate file and labelled with competitor division, name and running time of the music. Two (2) files may be submitted on USB drive as specified by the LOC.</p> <p>The electronic playlist will be deleted at the end of the event. All music remains the property of the skater and will not be shared or re-used.</p>
PPC	Planned Program Content (PPC) forms for IJS divisions must be completed online as part of the entry process. If not received by close of entries, the entry will be considered incomplete.
Schedule	A schedule of events will be provided following the closing of entries and published on the event website fsc.melbourne/autumn-challenge-2017 . Please note: if required numbers are not received, competition events will be consolidated onto a single day.

	<p>The draft schedule is as follows:</p> <p>Saturday: 1:15pm – 7pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aussie Skate Elements • Aussie Skate technical levels • IJS Short Programs <p>Sunday: 1:15 – 6pm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Artistic events • IJS Free Programs
Awards/Trophies	<p>Medals will be awarded to the first three place-getters of each division.</p> <p>All competitors will receive a participation certificate</p>

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DIVISION		ENTRY FEE
Aussie Skate Elements	Tiny Tots, Basic 1&2, Novice 1&2, Intermediate 1&2 Adult 1-4, Freestyle 1-4, Adult (15+) Freestyle 1-4	\$40
Aussie Skate Half Ice	Tiny Tots, Basic 1&2, Novice 1&2, Intermediate 1&2 Adult 1-4	\$60
Aussie Skate Full Ice	Freestyle 1-4 Adult (15+) Freestyle 1-4	\$70
Singles – FS only	Preliminary, Elementary, Basic Novice A & B Adult Pewter, Copper, Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters/Elite	\$80
Singles – SP & FS	Advanced Novice Junior, Senior	\$120
Artistic Singles	Artistic A: Aussie Skate Tiny Tots & Basic Artistic B: Aussie Skate Novice & Intermediate Artistic C: Aussie Skate Adult 1-4 Artistic D: Aussie Skate Freestyle Artistic E: Aussie Skate Adult Freestyle Artistic F: Preliminary & Elementary Artistic G: Basic Novice A & B Artistic H: Advanced Novice, Junior, Senior Artistic I: Adult Pewter & Copper Artistic J: Adult Bronze & Silver Artistic H: Adult Gold, Masters & Elite <i>Note: Divisions may be split or combined based on total numbers of skaters..</i>	\$80
MFSC Members are entitled to a 20% discount on entry fees		

EVENT REGISTRATION and VENUE ENTRY
The official Registration desk will be located at the main entrance adjacent to the Henke rink. Competitors must register at least 1 hour prior to their scheduled event
<p>Entry to the Venue</p> <p>An Admission Fee per spectator is payable to O'Brien Group Arena at the front desk for each day of competition. Skaters may apply for a Chaperone Pass for each competitor. Pass names must be submitted on the entry form.</p>

OFFICIAL EVENT PHOTOGRAPHY / VIDEOGRAPHY	
<p>PHOTOGRAPHY</p> <p>There will not be an official photographer at this event.</p> <p>For private photographers, please note that no flash photography is permitted in practice, warm-ups or events, as it may be dangerous to the skaters.</p> <p>All private photographers are required to register at the Registrations desk on the day of the event.</p>	<p>VIDEOGRAPHY</p> <p>Video Recording: Individuals using video cameras will be required to register at the Registration desk on the day of the event. Camera lights are prohibited.</p> <p>Videoring can only be undertaken in the designated area.</p> <p>VIDEOING OF PRACTICE SESSIONS AND OFFICIAL WARMUPS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.</p>
<p>NOTES</p> <p>Private photographers/videographers are not permitted to photograph or record children from outside of their own family unless they have written permission from that skater's parents.</p>	

OTHER NOTES
<p>Volunteering</p> <p>Interested volunteers please communicate your willingness to assist as early as possible using our online form at the event website fsc.melbourne/autumn-challenge-2017.</p>

APPENDIX: REQUIRED ELEMENTS/RESTRICTIONS
FOR PROGRAMS NOT COVERED BY ICE SKATING AUSTRALIA REGULATIONS

(Aussie Skate participants are eligible to skate in all the below divisions)

ADULT - SOLO - TECHNICAL SKATING

Pewter – Eligibility: A skater must NOT have passed the ISA Preliminary Test.

A well-balanced Pewter program must show the skater's ability to use edges, turns and other skating movements to interpret music. No specific jumps are required.

There are 2 required elements.

- a. A maximum of one (1) spin element. Only two foot spins are permitted
- b. A maximum of one (1) choreographed step sequence, (straight line, circular or serpentine) or choreographed spiral sequence. This should cover at least a third of the ice surface. Choreographed spirals must contain at least one spiral position held for 3 seconds
- c. Jumps are optional. These are restricted to ½ revolution jumps. For example. Waltz jump, half flip, half loop.

Duration: The maximum time is 1 min 40 secs, but may be less.

ADULT - SOLO - ARTISTIC SKATING

Pewter – Eligibility: A skater must NOT have passed the ISA Preliminary Test.

Required elements: There are no required elements

Axel and double jumps are not permitted. Combination jumps are not permitted

Credit for jumps and spins are based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music.

Credit will not be given for their technical difficulty.

Duration: The maximum time is 1 min 40 secs, but may be less.

GROUP (All Levels including adults) - ARTISTIC SKATING

Team

Team Artistic is a division that enables a group of people (**minimum 2 skaters**) to perform a creative number together.

Required elements: There are no required elements

Axel and double jumps are not permitted. Combination jumps are not permitted.

Credit for jumps and spins are based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music.

Credit will not be given for their technical difficulty.

- **Duration:** The maximum time is 2 mins 30 secs, but may be less.

Duo or Trio

Duo or Trio is a division that enables either a male or female, or two males, or two females/a male and two females, or a female and two males, or three males, or three females to perform a creative number together.

Duo or Trio artistic skate is a competitive program, which must include elements of the sport of figure skating.

Required elements:

- a. one (1) but a maximum of two (2) single jumps
- b. one (1) but a maximum of two (2) single spins

Axel and double jumps are not permitted. Combination jumps are not permitted.

Credit for jumps and spins are based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music.

Credit will not be given for their technical difficulty.

- **Duration:** The maximum time is 2 mins 30 secs, but may be less.

Ensemble

Artistic Ensemble is a division that enables a group of people (**minimum 4 skaters**) to perform a creative number together.

Ensemble artistic skate is a competitive program, which must include elements of the sport of figure skating.

Required elements:

- a. one (1) but a maximum of two (2) single jumps
- b. one (1) but a maximum of two (2) single spins

Axel and double jumps are not permitted. Combination jumps are not permitted.

Credit for jumps and spins are based solely on the ability of such movements to enhance the chosen theme and support the music.

Credit will not be given for their technical difficulty.

- **Duration:** The maximum time is 2 mins 30 secs, but may be less.

AUSSIE SKATE ELEMENTS

Aussie Skate Elements is a division that enables an Aussie Skate competitor to compete without requiring a full choreographed program or music. Two individual elements are performed; marks are awarded for each element and for overall presentation.

This event will be performed using half-ice (skaters will warm up on half the ice and then compete on the other half).

Divisions & Elements

Tiny Tots – Forward swizzles (6-8) & Dip while moving

Basic 1 – Forward swizzles (6-8) & Forward 2-foot glide

Basic 2 – Backward swizzles (6-8) & Dip while moving (minimum 1m)

Novice 1 – Forward Slalom & Forward 1-foot glide (minimum 1m)

Novice 2 – Forward Crossovers (either way, minimum 4) & Two-Foot Turn (forward to backwards)

Intermediate 1 – Backward Crossovers (either way, minimum 4) & Forward-Inside Mohawk (either direction)

Intermediate 2 – Bunny-hop (either leg) & Two-foot Spin

Adult 1 – Forward swizzles (6-8) & Forward 1-foot glide (minimum 1m)

Adult 2 – Forward Crossovers (either way, minimum 4) & Two-Foot Turn (forward to backwards)

Adult 3 – Backward Crossovers (either way, minimum 4) & Forward-Inside Mohawk (either direction)

Adult 4 – Three turn (either direction) & Two-foot Spin

Freestyle 1 – Waltz Jump & 1-foot Spin (minimum 3 revolutions)

Freestyle 2 – Half-flip Jump & Cross-foot Spin (minimum 3 revolutions)

Freestyle 3 – Toe Loop Jump & Sit Spin (minimum 3 revolutions)

Freestyle 4 – Loop Jump & Camel Spin (minimum 3 revolutions)