

Fall 2010

Dear Parent and/or Guardian,

Welcome to the Vacationland Figure Skating Club's 2010-2011 Skating Season!

Our skating season will run from October 3 to March 13. We will be taking four (4) days off, so please mark your calendar...

- ◆ Sunday, October 31
- ◆ Sunday, December 26
- ◆ Sunday, November 28
- ◆ Sunday, January 2

We have included the forms that we need you to read and sign; they are for everyone's protection. Please read, sign where needed, and return each form. **YOUR SKATER WILL NOT BE ALLOWED ON THE ICE IF THESE COMPLETED FORMS ARE NOT RETURNED.**

We will again be offering families a "buy-out" option on both the Mandatory Family Service hours and Mandatory Club Fundraiser. You will need to bring a separate check for this process, and it is explained in more detail on the Mandatory Family Service guideline sheet.

All skaters are invited to participate in the annual show: *TV GLIDE*, on March 26 & 27, 2011. Costume costs are included in registration fees. All accounts to VFSC must be paid in full by February 28, 2011.

We have found one of the best ways to correspond with parents is through e-mail. By using the BCC feature, we are able to send group e-mails without everyone else getting your e-mail address. So please, fill out your e-mail address on the application form so we may add you to the list.

Checklist of the forms needed to be signed and returned

- Registration for classes
- Parental Consent and Indemnification Agreement
- Consent for Medical Attention or Treatment
- Spring Show Release
- Mandatory Family Service Hours & Fundraiser
- Photograph Release

Thank you! We are looking forward to another fun year at Vacationland Figure Skating Club!

Vacationland Figure Skating Club

Basic Skills Sunday Evening Class Registration

Sunday, October 3, 2010 - March 13, 2011

STEP 1: Select Your Badge Level (If unsure of last passed level, please leave box unchecked.) \$225 includes show costume

- Snowplow Sam (age 3-4) ... Sundays, 5:15 - 5:45 pm
- Badge 1 (age 5 and up) Sundays, 4:45 - 5:15 pm
- Badge 2 Sundays, 5:15 - 5:45 pm
- Badge 3 Sundays, 5:15 - 5:45 pm
- Badge 4 Sundays, 5:45 - 6:15 pm
- Badge 5 Sundays, 5:45 - 6:15 pm
- Badge 6 Sundays, 5:45 - 6:15 pm
- Badge 7 Sundays, 5:45 - 6:15 pm
- Badge 8 Sundays, 5:45 - 6:15 pm

STEP 2: Check if you will be taking Bridge Class

\$249 includes show costume

- Bridge Class: Off-ice, Monday, 6:15 - 6:45 p.m.
followed by On-ice, Monday, 7 - 7:30 p.m.

What is Bridge Class? This class is designed to be an addition to Basic Skills and gives skaters an extra opportunity to be on the ice. Skaters must be enrolled in Basic Skills in order to participate in this class. Bridge Class is a "bridging program" to help your child make a smoother transition from being a Basic Skills skater into our Junior Club program. This class includes both basic skills and advanced skating components. Skaters who sign up for Bridge class must wear a skating dress, skirt or form fitting apparel during this class.

Bridge class is open to skaters in Badge 3-8. There are two parts to bridge class. Off-ice class will focus on the "ABCs of skating," body awareness, balance and control. Skaters will do off-ice exercises to enhance what they're learning on ice. We will also go over what skaters can expect if they choose to begin competing at Basic Skills competitions. The second part of the class will take place on the ice focusing on flow, ice patterns, beginning jumping, spinning, spirals, and stroking exercises to name a few.

What is the Gold Medal Arena fund? Doing our part as members of this community and as a facility user, we are asking that all families try to help raise funds to finish the Gold Medal Arena. Some planned improvements are an elevator for the handicapped, enclosing the lobby of arena, and finishing the mezzanine/spectator level. We have added a line to the registration form, so that you, too, can do your part to help.

STEP 3: Calculate Payment for Class(es)/Dues

- A) Basic Badge Class.....\$225.00
- B) Membership Dues (USFS \$10, VFSC \$20).....30.00
Note: Dues are effective through June 30, 2011
- C) Total due for Badge & Membership255.00
- D) Deduct \$11.25 if paying in full..... _____
- E) Balance after discount, if applicable _____
- F) Bridge Class (If selected, add \$249)..... _____
- G) Donation to Gold Medal Arena fund (see left column for details)
 \$5 \$10 \$20 Other _____

Balance \$ _____

STEP 4: Amount Paid

Total Balance \$ _____

or

\$125 minimum deposit for Basic Skills \$ _____

\$60 minimum deposit for Bridge Class..... \$ _____

Balance Due - Make in four (4) Monthly Payments \$ _____

Payments of _____ due on 11/1, 12/1, 1/1 & 2/1

STEP 5: Registrants Current Information (One Skater Per Form)

Skater's Name: _____ M / F

DOB: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Parent Name(s): _____

Primary Contact Phone: _____

Primary Contact Email: _____

By signing this registration, I am accepting responsibility for all sessions contracted. I will pay all applicable fees stated in this contract and understand all accounts to VFSC must be paid in full no later than February 28, 2011, in order for my skater to participate in the annual show. VFSC is not liable for any injuries and I have read, understand and signed the attached waiver. I understand all classes/times are subject to change.

Signature of parent/guardian:

Date: _____

2010-2011 VFSC Family Service Program & Fundraisers

Welcome to the 2010-2011 Skating Season! We are excited to have you and your family as part of the Vacationland Figure Skating Club this year. VFSC is a non-profit, mostly volunteer club operated by a volunteer board of directors. As such, we depend on your help! All families with VFSC skaters are asked to contribute a minimum number of hours helping the club. After reviewing and discussing your comments and feedback regarding the mandatory family service program, we have decided to make some changes. For the 2010-2011 season, the following guidelines will be used:

1) Family Service Hours Requirements:

- *Snowplow Sam to Badge 3 skaters:* 4 hours*
- *Badges 4 to 8:* 8 hours*
- *Jr & Sr Club:* 15 hours**

* For Snowplow Sam and Badge level skaters, we ask that **half** of the volunteer hours be completed during the regular skating season, and half in preparation for the annual Ice Show.

** For Jr & Sr Club skaters, at least 5 hours of your family service must be worked in preparation for the annual Ice Show.

- 2) **Sign-In:** You will be required to *sign in* for your volunteer activities AND *log your hours* on your personal log sheet. We hope this will help us keep our records up to date more easily.
- 3) **All hours must be documented** in your log to be counted. This applies whether you volunteer for Sunday night activities, play music for weekday Jr/Sr club sessions, or work on a project away from the rink. If you forget to sign in or log your hours for an activity, it is *your responsibility* to make sure to update your records and verify that you completed the activity.
- 4) Family service hours worked for the Ice show are not limited to show week, but may be in the capacity of a show project. Hours will be required for the show regardless of previously worked hours during the regular skating season.
- 5) If you choose to chair or co-chair an Ice Show Committee, you will not be required to complete additional volunteer hours during the skating season! Ask any board member or show chair if you have questions.

FUNDRAISERS:

This year VFSC will be asking **all skating families** to participate in two required club fundraisers, with one of those being the See's candy bars. The other fundraiser to be selected by the family. We have evaluated our financial situation in detail over the past year, and have determined it necessary to add the second club fundraiser. These two fundraisers help us raise the money we need to operate, as well as contributing to the cost of producing the annual Ice Show. In addition to the two club fundraisers, additional fundraising opportunities will continue to be made available for skaters to earn money for their skating accounts! Should you prefer not to participate in the Club fundraisers, you may "buy out" for a one-time fee of \$150 per family.

Please make your selections below. Sign and date the form and attach appropriate fees:

Family Service Hours

I agree to fulfill the Mandatory Family Service Hours requirement as stated above. **I understand and agree I will be invoiced \$20.00 per hour that I do not fulfill.**

I prefer to "buy out" of the Family Service Hours requirement. I understand that my check is due and cashable with the registration payment.

Snowplow Sam to Badge 3 buy-out cost: **\$80**

Badges 4-8 buy-out cost: **\$160**

Junior/Senior Club Family Service Hours buy-out cost: **\$300**

Club Fundraisers

I agree to participate in both VFSC Fundraisers as stated above.

I decline to participate in VFSC Fundraisers, and agree to pay the fundraising buy-out fee of \$150 per family.

Skater's Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Parental Consent and Indemnification Agreement

I, the minor's parent and/or legal guardian, understand the nature of figure skating activities, ("activity") and the minor's experience and capabilities and believe the minor to be qualified to participate in such activity. I hereby release, discharge, covenant not to sue and AGREE TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS the Vacationland Figure Skating Club, United States Figure Skating, it's directors, officers, administrators, sponsors, volunteers, agents, employees, staff, instructors, trainers, other participants, and if applicable, owners and lessors of premises on which the "activity" takes place (each considered one the the "Releasees" herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damage on the minor's account caused or alleged to have been caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, including negligent rescue operations, and further agree that if, despite this release, I, the minor, or anyone on the minor's behalf makes a claim against any of the above Releasees, I WILL INDEMNIFY, SAVE, AND HOLD HARMLESS each of the Releasees from any litigation expenses, attorney fees, loss liability, damage, or cost any Releasees may incur as the result of such claim.

(PRINTED Name of Skater)

(Date)

(Signature of Parent/Guardian)

(PRINTED Name of Parent/Guardian)

Consent for Medical Attention or Treatment

I certify that I, the member, or I, the parent/guardian of said participant, give my consent to the Vacationland Figure Skating Club and the facility the activites are taking place in and their staff and to members of the Vacationland Figure Skating Club, their Board of Directors and volunteers to obtain medical care from any licensed physician, hospital or clinic, including transportation and emergency medical services, for myself/ourselves and/or said participant for any injury that could arise from participating in these activities.

(Name of Skater)

(PRINTED Names of Parent(s)/Guardian(s))

(Parent/GuardianSignature)

(Date)

(Phone)

(PRINTED Alternate contact in case of emergency)

(Phone)

This Consent for Medical Attention shall be binding and effective for the 2008-2009 membership year.

VFSC Photograph Release

Vacationland Figure Skating Club (VFSC) may submit several skater's photographs and names for publicity purposes to local newspapers and television stations. Skaters may be photographed after competitions and their names and placement submitted for publication to the *Brainerd Daily Dispatch* and the *Lake Country Echo* (Pequot Lakes). **This is a case where the child's picture and name are published together.**

In the future, VFSC will be posting photographs of skaters on the web site. These may be in a photo gallery or on other pages as needed. **In this case we will NOT tie a name to a picture.** We may identify specific groups such as Synchro team, a show number, Sr/Jr Club, etc., but children's names will not be used.

Please specify your preference by checking and signing either the YES or NO below.

YES I, _____ give Vacationland Figure Skating Club permission
(parent/guardian printed name)
to use _____ name and/or pictures in various print media,
(skater's printed name)
newspapers, web site, and other publicity and hold Vacationland Figure skating club harmless for any issues that
may arise due to this use.

(parent/guardian signature)

(date)

NO, I DO NOT want my child's name or picture published or used for any public purpose.

(skater's printed name)

(parent/guardian signature)

(date)

VFSC Spring Show Release Form

The 2011 shows will be held March 26 & 27. There are no additional charges for your skater to participate in the show; show costumes are included in your class fees. Below is a short list of some of the things you need to keep in mind to make a great show for your skater:

- There will be a 40-minute show practice every night at the rink during the week prior to the show. Attendance is very important during show week. This is the only time that your skater will be instructed on his/her show number. **Please plan to have your skater there for ALL practices March 21-25.**
- Each family is expected to assist during the week prior to and of the show. Please sign up to help.
- A show packet is handed out the first week in January; this will include more specific information.
- We assume every skater will be in the show. If you choose not to have your skater participate in the show, please let us know by October 24, 2009. There are no discounts for not participating in the show.

By signing below, you are acknowledging the time requirement necessary for your skater to be in the show. Also, if you have not notified us by October 24, you are granting permission for your skater to participate in the show.

Skater's Name

Date

Parent/Guardian signature

****All accounts with VFSC must be paid in full by February 28, 2011,
in order to participate in the Spring Show.****