Nelson Roller Sports Club
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Happy New Year

The Success of our Club is in Your Hands

2007 sees a new era in our club.

Andrew Kibblewhite, who was our Skating Coordinator, is no longer working for us.

Your Committee has worked hard at coming up with a way of running the club so the members can benefit.

We need YOUR assistance and enthusiasm to make it work.

Here's a basic outline of how it will work.

Each code (Artistic, Hockey, Speed) will be allocated a month to complete their duty. Given the disparity in code membership hockey will complete every second month.

In turn the code will be credited with 10% of the skate hire takings as income to them.

Each month the code must operate the rink during all advertised times, is Saturdays, Sundays, Public Holidays and the 1 monthly disco.

School holidays and private bookings will be allocated separately. These will be on offer to the codes who wish to do them to increase their income.

The income will be paid out annually in a lump sum and the code will be accountable to the NRSC Committee as to the usage of these funds.

Failure by the code to operate the rink appropriately will result in no payment for that month.

2007 is allocated as follows:

Feb - Artistic

Mar - Hockey

Apr - Speed

May - Hockey

Jun - Artistic

Jul - Hockey

Aug - Speed

Sept - Hockey

Oct - Artistic

Nov - Hockey

Dec - Speed

Jan - Hockey (first 2 weeks)

Please contact your Code

Convenor and get the dates that suit you.

Rules of the Rink Shop

Selling the drinks, chocolate bars and ice creams will be part of the rink duties during a skating session.

This does not entitle you to help yourself free of charge.

Rules

- No children allowed in the shop unless they are working **with** an adult
- All items must be paid for
- Do not take anything without paying
- If stock is low, please write a note and leave it in the slot in the office door upstairs.

Nelson Artistic Skaters at Australian Nationals

Kasey Murdoch and Jessica Hanchet travelled to Brisbane at the end of September for fantastic sporting adventure.
Along with coach Pam Peters the girls trained with Margaret Clough at her home club at the Digi Rink for 3 days.
The girls were billeted with local families and joined in the Club training's as well as having some private lessons. They worked hard through some intense training days including being on the figures BEFORE 7am in the morning and training on average 4 hours a day.
The training in Brisbane was followed by a 2 day drive to Sydney. Lots of very very long straight roads!
While in Sydney there was sightseeing as well as skating to be done, including a visit to the Rocks and Paddy's markets.
The girls both skated well in their grades which are a little different to their NZ grades.
The highlight was when Kasey took Bronze in her figure event.
The skaters in Australia made the girls feel very welcome. Even skaters whom they never met until the practice floor in Sydney made them feel very welcome. When the time came to leave the stadium for the last time it took a very long time. As a result both girls are keen to return in the future.

Kasey wins Bronze in Australia

Nelson Artistic and Precision Skaters at NZ Nationals

What a fantastic week. This year we travelled away with a small group of 5 skaters, but produced some fantastic results.
We brought home 2 bronze medals and 1 silver.
Alana Caunter placed 3rd in her Youth figures, Jessica Hanchet 2nd in Intermediate figures and Brook Hume produced a great routine in Juvenile free skating to get the 3rd medal.
Kasey Murdoch ran 3rd in her Cadet short programme and was placed 5th overall after her long programme and out of group of 12 skaters thats a great start to the year for Kasey.
Brittany Griffith was a very close 4th in her Juvenile figure event.
Two Nelson skaters, Sarah Reid and Anna Bartlett were part of the Southern Area Precision Team of eight skaters who won a silver medal at the Championships.

Nationals are in Auckland next time, so start saving **NOW !**

For a laugh … Cat Heaven on skates

A very old farm cat died and went to heaven. He was greeted at the gates by God who asked him "Little cat, what can I do for you to make heaven perfect?"
The cat thought for a minute and said "Well Lord, I have had to work hard to catch mice all my life and I have had to sleep in the barn. What I would like most of all is a soft pillow to sleep on and to rest all day.
"Consider it done" said God.
Next through the gates was a large group of mice. God asked them "Little mice, what can I do for you to make heaven perfect?"
The mice answered " Lord, we are farm mice and have had to run all our lives to keep away from the cat. As we got older we got slower. We would love roller skates so that we can be fast again" "Consider it done" said God.
Several weeks later, God saw the old cat, fast asleep in the sun on his pillow. He approached and shook the cat awake gently. " Little cat, are you happy?" Is your pillow comfortable? are you getting the rest you so wanted?"
"Oh yes", said the cat "And the meals on wheels are just marvelous"!

Nelson Speed Skaters at NZ Nationals

Our Speed Skaters also produced some good results at the NZ Nationals that were held in the first week of January in Wanganui. It was unfortunate that Mason Macarthy had to miss these Nationals with an injury.
The results were:
Speed Road Championships
200m Time Trial
Intermediate men Jamie Dickinson 3rd
Junior Boys Dale Christoffersen 2nd
Flat track
300 m Time Trial
Intermediate men Jamie Dickinson 2nd
Junior Boys Dale Christoffersen 2nd
800 m Intermediate Men Jamie Dickinson 2nd
1500m Intermediate Men Jamie Dickinson 3rd
Junior pairs mixed relay.
Chloe Manning & Dale Christoffersen 2nd
Junior pairs boys relay.
Dale Christoffersen & Miller Macarthy 3rd
Junior boys team relay.
Dale Christoffersen, Miller Macarthy & Logan Caunter 3rd

Congratulations

The following skaters have been selected to represent New Zealand in the Oceania Speed team to travel to the Gold Coast in June.

Mason Macarthy, Jamie Dickinson, Dale Christoffersen, Chloe Manning.

Nelson Whalers at Inline Hockey Nationals

In September the Whalers Under 12s and the Whaler Women travelled to New Plymouth for the Inline Hockey National Championship.
The Women's Team was hit by a tummy bug and performed below expectation.
The Under 12 Team had a great tournament coming home finishing two places higher than they were ranked. This team just missed out on a top four placing by goal difference. An excellent result.

Congratulations

Kimberley McCormick has been selected in the NZ Senior Women's Inline Hockey Team for the Oceania Championships to be held in Adelaide in April.

IR Championships

Nineteen Nelson Skaters were selected to represent the Southern Region in their respective age grades.

The Under 16 team performed the nest coming away with a silver medal after just missing out on Gold.

The New Season

Registration Day is Sun Feb 18th. 10am - 12pm.

This will be an open day, so bring your gear and play some hockey.

Also bring any gear you would like to sell.

Kapiti Rangers are coming to play our junior teams in March

Information regarding training times will be given to you when you register.

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Situations Vacant

Are you interested in running the public sessions during the School Holidays?

We are looking for an energetic, reliable,responsible person to run these sessions. Remuneration to be discussed.

Please contact Alethea asap.

Membership cards MUST be produced to obtain free entry to the public session.
NO CARD NO FREE ENTRY
There is no free entry to a disco.
If you have paid your membership and do not have a card, please contact Alethea on 5441867 or leth10@xtra.co.nz

Housekeeping

Do we have your correct contact details?

Would you like to receive future newsletter via email?

Do you have an idea that would improve the running of our club?

Do you have anything you would like to see in the newsletter?

Do you have some gear that you would like to sell and advertise it in the next newsletter?

Please contact Alethea on 5441867 or leth10@xtra.co.nz

Are you in business?

We would like to advertise your business in the next newsletter.

Please contact Alethea for this.

Our club is our community. We would like to see Club Members using the services of other Club Members.

If you are a painter, architect, builder, plumber, electrician, dress maker, photo framer, photographer, DJ, shoe maker, web designer, sign writer, coach, fundraiser, engineer etc we would like to be able to advertise to all our members, so they may use your services.

Having trouble getting yours to stay up? Call

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