

# Tavistock and District Skating Club

## August 2018 Newsletter

Welcome to the 2018-2019 Skating Season!



The Tavistock skating club executive and coaches have been busy planning for the upcoming skating season and we are excited to share our program news with you. A couple big changes have taken place. We have a new website which we will be using for registration. And the programming has been changed to incorporate the StarSkate Program.

### Registration - Website

<https://tavistocksc.uplifterinc.com/>

Visit our website <https://tavistocksc.uplifterinc.com/> to register for the 2018-19 skating season. Please see the additional "Registration Information" page for more details.

Registration at the arena will take place:

- Tues Sept 11<sup>th</sup> from 5 – 7 p.m.
- Thurs. Sept. 13 from 5-7pm

### Fall School September 16 to October 14

We will once again be offering a fall session for those skating hoping to get a head start on the season. This 4-week program is available for skaters from CanSkate to Star C.

### Winter sessions October 16 to March 24

The complete calendar for the year is available on our website.

#### Dates To Remember

**Sept. 8:** 11 am Tavistock Fall Fair Parade Float. All skaters are welcome to ride on the float, please meet at 10:15 am at the old Dairy Sales.

**Sept. 11 & 13.** Registration at the arena

**Sept 16 to Oct 14** Fall School

**Oct. 16 to Mar. 24** Winter Session

**Sun. Mar. 24,** 3:00 pm Carnival.

### First Day of Skating Checklist:

**Registration Complete.** On line registration and payment must be submitted to the club before skaters go on the ice. Unregistered skaters will not be allowed on the ice for safety & insurance reasons.

**Helmets:** All skaters at who have not yet completed Canskate Level 5 must wear a CSA approved helmet. NO BIKE HELMETS. Please check that the CSA sticker is still on your helmet and that it hasn't expired. Skaters will not be allowed on the ice without the proper equipment.

**Fundraising:** This year we will not be requesting fundraising cheques. The club will rely on all participants doing their part to help make fundraising successful. Remember the proceeds from fundraising go directly to help offset the costs of skating and make your registration lower. Fundraising packages will be handed out the first night of skating with more details, keep an eye out for your package that evening. We thank everyone in advance for your help with this.

### Synchronized Skating

Synchro Coach Tara Wilkins will be coaching our Team Unity synchronized skating teams again this year. Spring tryouts were held for the older teams however if numbers permit we are welcoming new registrants.

Pre-Juvenile - \$500 (3 competitions)

Juvenile - \$650 (4 competitions)

Pre-Novice - \$800 (4 competitions)

Beginner Team - \$200 (2 competitions) *Depends on interest, a minimum of 8 skaters required.*

Includes cost of dress, competition tights, make-up, competition fees.

Extra practices are booked for Aug. and Sept.

Regular practices begin Thursday, September 20:

Thursdays 5:45-6:35 – Pre-Juvenile (Tavistock)

Thursdays 6:45-8:00 – Juvenile (Tavistock)

Sundays 4:30 – 6:00 pm Pre Novice (RBC Stratford)

The Beginner team will begin practices on November 1<sup>st</sup>.

## New programming

Complete program descriptions are available on the website

**PreCanskate (Sunday 4:00 – 4:30pm) and Canskate (Sunday 4:30 – 5:15pm)** will continue the same. Visit our website to see program information.

Junior will now be referred to as **Junior Star (Sunday 5:15 – 6:15pm and Thursday 4:30 – 5:30pm)**. The club has increased club coaching time to 60 min. at this level, which is reflected in the increased registration fee.

Intermediate will now be called **Star A (Sunday 5:15 – 6:30pm and Thursday 4:30 – 5:45pm)**. These skaters will receive 30 minutes of group club coaching and should receive individual practice time with a private coach.

**Star B (Sunday 5:15 – 6:30 pm and Tuesday 4:45 – 6:05pm)** will follow Star A and is defined by: must be either age 13+ OR passed 2 of 3 Sr Bronze dances. All Star B skaters will get 30 min of group time (10 min skills, 10 min freeskate and 10 min dance) every session by a club coach.

**Star C (Sunday 6:20 – 8:00 pm and Tuesday 4:00 – 6:05pm)** is formerly Senior. For skaters who have reached a more advanced level and receive private coaching only.

If you notice an increase in your skating registration from last year it is because the club has increased the club coaching time for that program. We hope that the increase will be offset by a decrease in private lessons. If the program was not changed by club coaching time then the program fees will remain the same.

Please ask your freelance coach for support in determining the appropriate category for your skater.

**The Tavistock & District Skating Club offers Skate Canada programs.**

## Coaches for this Season:

- Lori Hartman
- Lynn Koot
- Kelitta Martin
- Meredith Ovenden
- Deb Montgomery
- Sylvia Bruulsema
- Lauren Holdsworth
- Dawn Brokers
- Tara Wilkins (synchro)

All of our coaches are approachable at the arena to answer your skating program questions.

## Club Contact info:

- Tavistock Skating Club PO Box 214 Tavistock ON N0B 2R0
- bulletin board in the arena lobby.
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- [www.tavistocksc.uplifterinc.com](http://www.tavistocksc.uplifterinc.com) for registration and information
- Drop box in arena lobby labeled “suggestion box” to receive fundraising communications
- Follow us on Social Media!  
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