

**New Canaan Winter Club
2019-2020 Group Skating
Registration and Opening Information**



Welcome to the 2019-2020 Season at the New Canaan Winter Club!

**Registration will be held until October 25.
(A late fee of \$75 will be assessed for registrations after October 25).**

Group Skating Kick Off is Wednesday, November 13 from 5:00-6:30 pm. Swing by, meet the pros, reconnect with old friends, ask questions, etc.

All registration will be done online at www.ncwinterclub.com. Group Skating Topics section of the NCWC website has all the information you need. **Please look at the Important Dates Calendar for upcoming events!** *Printer-friendly versions of some of the documents also available under the DOCUMENTS section of the website.

REGISTRATION FOR A CLASS:

For returning members, log on to website, review Recommended Classes (under Group Skating Topics tab) and register for the class that you would like to add. For those families who are new to the Winter Club and/or unsure as to which class to enroll your child, please contact Christi Jones, our Head Pro, at cjharmiman@gmail.com to discuss past skating experience, so we can place your child into a class. After a class choice has been made, please log onto website and register for that class. Any registration questions, please contact email us at ncwcgroupskating@gmail.com.

***Remember: Registration runs until October 25.*

*After October 25, you may still register for a class, but a late fee of \$75 will apply.***

PAYMENT AT REGISTRATION:

Again, payment will be collected at the time of registration for all skaters. If a skater transfers classes at the suggestion of Christi Jones, we will address the change in the cost of the class at that point. Fees for other events like the Competition and USFSA Testing will be billed at a later date.

DROPPING A CLASS:

The last day to drop out of a class to avoid full billing is MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25!

****If you do decide to drop a class, you must go to the NCWC website and click on the Program Withdrawal button and fill out the form. You will be refunded for the class with the exception of a \$40 registration fee. If you fail to do this by November 25, you will not be refunded.**

EVALUATIONS:

Skaters enrolled in all Group Skating classes will be evaluated by the Head Pro during the first full week of the season. The evaluation includes a review of skills leading up to the badge level of each individual class. Badges are the classifying system that we use to teach skating skills in a chronological order. Each badge has a curriculum of 6-10 skills that skaters are required to master before advancing to the next level. There is a possibility that skaters will be transferred based on Pro evaluations.

TRANSFERRING CLASSES:

If a skater needs to move up or down to a different class, a transfer slip needs to be filled out by the Class Pro and submitted to the Group Skating Head Pro, Christi Jones. Once the class transfer has been approved by Class Pro, skater's parent and Head Pro, the information will be emailed to our Registrar and Co-Chairs, so the class rosters and billing can be updated.

VOLUNTEERS:

The Winter Club is a member-run club that depends on member involvement! We need volunteers to help make Group Skating a success! There are opportunities for everyone – help with bulletin board, theme weeks, Competition, etc. **PLEASE** contact Christie and Elizabeth for more information and to sign up.

COMPETITION:

Each year, we participate in a figure skating competition between NCWC and the Greenwich Skating Club, which rotates between the two clubs. Skaters compete at their badge level. All are welcome and encouraged to participate. **This year, it will be held at Greenwich Skating Club on Saturday, February 8.**

TESTING:

At the end of the season, Skaters in the Master/Advanced Figure Skating classes are offered the opportunity to test under the United States Figure Skating track in the disciplines of Ice Dance, Moves in the Field and Freestyle. **We have scheduled the Test Session for Monday, March 2.**

END OF YEAR SHOW:

The End of Year Show is one of the all time favorites! For the Solo/Pairs portion of the show, skaters can skate alone, with a partner or with multiple partners to music and routines of their own choices (with the help of Club Pros, if so desired). The Group part of the show is to help demonstrate what was learned during the year in a particular class – all classes will participate. The routines and costumes will be choreographed and coordinated by skater's Class Pros. **This year it will be held on Sunday, March 1.**

GROUP SKATING AWARDS DINNER:

A banquet held to celebrate a great year of Group Skating at NCWC where awards are given out and a slideshow presented. **Held immediately after the Group Skating Show in the NCCS cafeteria.**

INCLEMENT WEATHER:

If the weather appears questionable (including extreme temperatures and/or wind chill), please call the clubhouse recording number at 203-966-4280.

We are looking forward to an amazing year! Please feel free to reach out with questions at ncwcgroupskating@gmail.com or at our emails below.

Thanks,

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