

# Ayr Figure Skating Club Newsletter – January 2010

## Dates for your diary

23 Jan '10	Curling - <b>no Big Pad Ice</b> . Small pad is available 7a.m - 9 a.m. No group class. Off ice class 09.30-10.30
30 Jan '10	Club big pad. 3-4pm Free Skating, 4-5pm Group Class
6 Feb '10	NISA Test session - Club closed Sat am. Skate UK running as usual. Off ice class will be held at Elmbank Studios at the usual time, 11-12. Club big pad. 3-5pm Free Skating. No Group Class
13 Feb '10	Darla's Dresses am Synchro big pad 3-5pm.
14 Feb '10	There will be NO synchro training. The Club session will be unchanged at 10am – 1pm while the coach Group Class will be 1pm – 2pm
20 Feb '10	TBC - Club big pad. 3-4pm Free Skating, 4-5pm Group Class
27 Feb '10	TBC – Club big pad. 3-4pm Free Skating, 4-5pm Group Class
6 Mar '10	Club big pad. 3-5pm Free Skating. No Group Class
20 Mar '10	Club Competition – more details to follow

## Hannah Competition

Congratulations to all our club & Skate UK skaters who competed in the Hannah Competition & in particular to the skaters who made the rostrum. Many thanks to everyone who helped with the setting up, during, from timekeepers & markers to those serving at the coffee morning & on the stalls & all the jobs in between to clearing up afterwards.

## Christmas Party

The Christmas Party was a great success with 40-50 skaters attending. The committee would like to thank Skater Representative Ashley Mitchell & her committee of skaters for a super job. They organised games, prizes, food & dancing all evening & after the party was over they stayed & cleaned up. Great! They also managed to secure a special guest, Santa, who arrived to give the party goers a gift.

## NISA Tests

Good luck to all club skaters taking NISA tests on 6 February.

Congratulations to club members Heather Murdoch & Lewis Gibson who passed the remainder of their pairs tests, Level 4, 5 & 6 at Murrayfield on 8 January. They can now compete in novice IJS competitions with a view to qualifying for the British Novice Pair Championships in November. As a consequence of this success they are now on the NISA Regional Development Squad & have also been selected to represent Great Britain at the ISU Pairs Development Camp in Berlin in April where they will work with World ranked skaters & coaches.

Congratulations also go to Heather & Lewis's coach, Jennifer Holmes, who has been selected by NISA to go to Berlin as a coach. Jennifer has previously attended the ISU Pairs Development Camp with her former pairs partner, Chris Tees. As a solo skater, Jennifer was on the Great Britain Team & represented her country at Internationals & at the Junior World Championships.

## British Synchro Championships & National Opens 2009/2010

Good luck to Gael Force competing in the Elementary Competition at the National Open in Sheffield on 18<sup>th</sup> February.

## A reminder - The newsletter has gone online!

You can now keep up to date with all the club news & events from the comfort of your PC & save trees at the same time! To get your AFSC newsletter online all you need to do is follow the instructions on the club website, [www.afsc.org.uk/newsletter.html](http://www.afsc.org.uk/newsletter.html)

## And finally.....

Thank you to all parents/guardians who give their time helping our club be it in the tuckshop, playing the music or helping with events. The club only functions thanks to parents giving their time. The more people who participate the less we all have to do! Please talk to any of the committee members if you can help. It beats sitting around getting cold!

Please contact Eleanor Alner or any of the committee members if you have any questions or comments on the items in this newsletter or any other aspects of the running of the club. Eleanor can be contacted on 01292 571060 or via [eleanor.alner@btinternet.com](mailto:eleanor.alner@btinternet.com)