MSFSC

Mississippi Skates

March 2009

ISI Competition in Baton Rouge

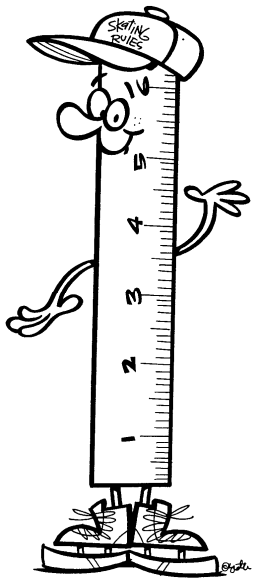
Angelia and Linah went to the Baton Rouge rink last weekend and talked to Sue Coates. Sue said that she has not spoken to Dodie yet, but it appears they will have their ISI competition on April 11, 2009. It is expected to be a small venue. Sue said to pass along the event date to any MSFSC and BFSC members.

Dodie confirmed that she is trying to get the detailed event information from Sue in order to pass it on to the MSFSC and Pelham's ISI chair person. Sue is still working out the judging, but will likely be contacting Dodie and Shawn, however Sabra may be asked as well depending on Dodie's knee situation.

ISI has just passed some changes for timing of events and added some new events. These rules will go into effect May 1st so this competition will follow the current guidelines. Throw something together and let's have fun!

Events for consideration. Let me know if you are participating.

- USFS Basic Skills Competition Blades in Bama March 7th
- USFS test March 8th in Birmingham
- ISI Competition April 11th in Baton Rouge, LA
- ISI 50th Anniversary Competition Orlando, FL…May 23-25
- USFS Ice Dance Weekend in



Missed FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

17th Greg Campbell

18th Deanna Cooley

27st Jessica Pierce

Let me know if you are participating in any upcoming USFS or ISI events so I can mention them in the newsletter and help with publicity.

PUBLICITY

- Working up Van Horn's ISI results to send to the newspapers.

USFS Nationals Results from January 2009

CONGRATULATIONS!
2009 USFS Champions

- **LADIES – Alyssa Cizney**
  She finally kept it all together and won. Note her coach is now Brian Boitano.
- **MEN – Jeremy Abbott**
  Weir placed low, but Lysaceck placed 2nd
- **PAIRS – Keauna McLaughlin & Rockne Brubaker – 2nd Consecutive US Senior title.**
- **ICE DANCE – Meryl Davis and Charlie White – 1st US Senior Title since Tanith and Ben had to withdraw.**

ISI Winter Classic Results

Heather Van Horn

- Dutch Waltz 1st
- Swing Rolls 1st
- Freestyle 4 7th

Kristina Van Horn

- Freestyle 4 Interpretive 4th
- Lt Ent Spotlight FS4 5th

EXTRAS FOR SALE!
Club Jacket $100
size: Adult XS
Club Pants $50
sizes: Adult XS, Adult M
pants run small
Contact:
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MISI Update from Thorne Butler

The news is basically the same as when we met on October 12 in Clinton, and that is the economy. As you know from that meeting, building this double sheet will require raising $3 million in private capital. However, the one difference from October 12 is that David and Thorne have been working on the pro formas for the new facility and their estimate now is that it will take at least $4 million raised privately.

After our meeting in Clinton, David, Thorne and the architect Eric Milberger met with the mayor of Clinton. They said that when we present our proposal and pro formas they will review them and if they like the numbers, they will invite us back to appear before the Board of Aldermen to make a full presentation toward the goal of Clinton issuing a bond. But we keep coming back to the issue that until this economy turns around, the prospect of raising $4 million in private capital are very, very low. At this time we ask the members to be patient and ride out this economic hurricane we're going through. When we have the pro formas done and the DRAFT of the proposal ready, we'll be glad to have members review it.

By the way, we've heard no rumors about someone building a new rink and George Williams has confirmed that he has no Ice Park plans at this time.