



# Communication 045

December 2009

## Coaches Accreditation Seminar

The weekend after the NZ National Championships, 42 coaches took part in a coaching accreditation seminar for Introduction to Coaching, Level 1 and Level 2 courses. Louis Stong (Canada) and Judy Bosler (Australia) were the moderators for the courses. The coaches took part in on-ice and classroom sessions. Special thanks to the NZOC for a Solidarity Funding grant to assist the NZISA in offering these courses. Plans are in progress for courses in 2010 – Introduction to Coaching in late January/early February and Level 1

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the National Councilors. If you are traveling over the holiday season, take care and we look forward to seeing you on the ice in 2010.



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## President on Leave of Absence

Sandra Williamson-Leadley is now on 2 months leave of absence from the NZISA. During this time Sandra will not an-

swer any queries concerning ice skating, this includes e-mails. All queries are to be forwarded to Sue Petricevic,

1st VP, Gill Boyd, 2nd VP or Jan Howie, National Secretary until 1 February 2010.

## New Zealand Synchronised Skating Team

The 2010 New Zealand Synchronised Skating Team was formed with 16 members and most of these attended the first training camp in Dunedin last month. Unfortunately due to various circumstances three skaters have since withdrawn from the team which means that we did not have enough skaters to send a team to the World Championship in Colorado Springs in 2010.

Because the rest of the team a financial commitment from Australia to train), the must do all that it can to team. Unfortunately the years team was very limited constraints, therefore the no option but to offer the land Skaters who hold inter silver stroking or the equivalent dance test and are age eligible to skate senior at Worlds. The requirement to have skated in a Synchronised Team in the last 12 months has been dropped and is the only dispensation that is being given.



members had already made (two members even travelling National Council felt that it find extra members to form a pool of skaters from last mainly due to financial Council had felt they have opportunity to all New Zealand

The NZ Synchronised Skating Team is looking for at least 5 more skaters who meet the required criteria and they will need to audition in Auckland next week. The travel to Auckland is at their own expense.

The National Council believes that we must give this team our full support and do what can to see it through to the 2010 World Championship.

## ISU Scholarship

Congratulations to Allie Rout on being awarded an ISU scholarship. The recent ISU magazine has Allie listed as one of ten female skaters

that received a scholarship this year. A superb achievement and well-deserved!



## Monica Huggins

It is with sadness that we advise the skating community of the passing of Monica Huggins. Monica and her husband Jack have been involved in skating in Dunedin for many years as skaters, supporters, administrators and life members of the club. Monica and Jack were always first to arrive and support competitions and events, she will be sadly missed. The NZISA offers Jack our condolences.

## Skaters Abroad

Sarah MacGibbon and her mum are currently living in Switzerland for a few months. While they are in Europe, Sarah is taking advantage of competing in some inter-club competi-

tions. Sarah recently competed in the Skate Celje competition, placing 14<sup>th</sup>/15 in the SP, 11<sup>th</sup>/15 in the FS and 13<sup>th</sup>/15 overall. Best wishes to Sarah for future competitions!



## Forum Submissions



In order for the Council to be able to consider submissions when reviewing policies, rules, etc., we ask that the people making submissions please put these into the format as they would appear in the

document. This helps to ensure that there are no misunderstandings in what is being proposed and allows the Council to see the recommendations in context. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

## Briefly From the Minutes

The NZISA is looking at sending some of our Development Skaters to an Oceania Development Camp in Australia in April 2010. This is a three year programme for Pre-Primary to Novice Skaters \* The NZISA are holding Development Camps for our Development Skaters and other skaters in Auckland and Gore in February/March 2010. \* The NZISA is looking at holding another International Competition in Dunedin in August 2010.\*

