



Skate DownUnder 2013

Announcement / Invitation

An International Competition

for

Junior and Senior Men, Ladies, Pairs and Ice Dance

Novice Men and Ladies



Organised by Ice Skating Australia Inc.

Sydney, Australia

August 20th – 22nd, 2013

GENERAL REGULATIONS

Skate DownUnder will be conducted in accordance with the ISU Constitution, the ISU General Regulations 2012 and the ISU Special Regulations and Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating and Ice Dance 2012, as well as all pertinent ISU Communications.

Participation in Skate DownUnder is open to all skaters who belong to an ISU Member, Rule 109, paragraph 1 and qualify with regard to eligibility, according to Rule 102, provided their ages fall within the limits specified in Rule 108, paragraph 2 b) and they meet the participation, citizenship and residency requirements in rule 109, paragraphs 1 through 5 and ISU Communication 1420.

In accordance with Rule 109 of the ISU General Regulations and ISU Communication 1420, all skaters who do not have the nationality of the Member by which they have been entered or, who, although having such nationality, have in the past represented another Member, must produce an ISU Clearance Certificate. Passports of all skaters, as well as the ISU Clearance Certificate, if applicable, must be presented at the accreditation of the event for verification.

All competitors must be entered through their respective Member Federation.

NOTE: THE ORGANISERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO CANCEL AN EVENT IF INSUFFICIENT ENTRIES ARE RECEIVED.

TECHNICAL DATA

PLACE: Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink
Phillips Avenue, Canterbury, Sydney, Australia
(an indoor ice-rink with the ice surface of 60 x 30 m, air-conditioned and heated)

Single Skating Seniors – Ladies and Men

Short Program

The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating, 2012, Rule 511, paragraphs 1 & 2 and the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 2 min 50 sec maximum, but may be less.

Free Skating

In accordance with ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules, Single & Pair Skating 2012, Rule 512 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced program” and the element values.

Duration:

Ladies: 4 min +/- 10 sec

Men: 4 ½ min +/- 10 sec

Single Skating Junior – Ladies and Men

Short Program

The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating, 2012, Rule 511, paragraph 3 and the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 2 min 50 sec. maximum, but may be less.

Free Skating

In accordance with ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules, Single & Pair Skating 2012, Rule 512 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced Program” and the element values.

Duration:

Ladies: 3 ½ min +/- 10 sec

Men: 4 min +/- 10 sec

Single Skating – Advanced Novice

AGE LIMITS

In accordance with the ISU Rule 108, paragraph 2 d), the participants must have reached at least the age of ten (10) and have not reached the age of fifteen (15) before July 1 preceding the competition (born between July 1, 1998 and June 30, 2003)

Boys/Girls

Technical Rules – ISU Communication No 1760

Short Program: max. 2 min 30 sec

Free Skating: Girls: 3 min (+/- 10 sec)

Boys: 3 ½ min (+/-10 sec)

Pairs Skating – Senior

Short Program

The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating, 2012, Rule 520, paragraph 3 and the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 2 min 50 sec maximum, but may be less.

Free Skating

In accordance with ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules, Single & Pair Skating 2012, Rule 521 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced Program” and the element values.

Duration: 4 ½ min +/- 10 sec

Pairs Skating – Junior

Short Program

The required elements to be skated are listed in ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules Single & Pair Skating, 2012, Rule 520, paragraph 3 and the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 2 min 50 sec maximum, but may be less

Free Skating

In accordance with ISU Special Regulations & Technical Rules, Single & Pair Skating 2012, Rule 521 and the respective ISU Communication. Special attention should be paid to the “well balanced Program” and the element values.

Duration: 4 min +/- 10 sec

Ice Dance – Senior

Short Dance

In accordance with the ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2012, Rule 609 and all pertinent ISU Communication. Rhythms, required elements and guideline are those listed in ISU Communication 1738 and subsequent update.

Duration: 2 min 50 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Dance

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2012, Rule 610 and all pertinent ISU Communications. For the values of the required elements and components see the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 4 min +/- 10 sec

Ice Dance - Junior

Short Dance

In accordance with the ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2012, Rule 609 and all pertinent ISU Communication. Rhythms, required elements and guideline are those listed in ISU Communication 1738 and subsequent update.

Duration: 2 min 50 sec +/- 10 sec

Free Dance

In accordance with ISU Technical Rules Ice Dance 2012, Rule 610 and all pertinent ISU Communications. For the values of the required elements and components see the respective ISU Communication.

Duration: 3 ½ min +/- 10 sec

In case the requirements as per ISU Communication No.1629 are fulfilled WORLD STANDING POINTS will be awarded in the Senior Categories.

ENTRIES

ISU Members may enter up to 4 competitors for each category in Ladies, Men, Pairs and Ice Dance and their substitutes.

The entries must reach the Organiser **by Saturday 20th July 2013** at the latest. Entries must be made on the official form and sent to:

E-mail: entries@isa.org.au

Please note: Entries are only accepted if the Entry Fee has arrived at the Organisers account. A respective confirmation will be forwarded to the Members concerned.

ENTRIES OF JUDGES

ISU Members may nominate one Judge (ISU or International) per discipline and one substitute Judge; double duty judges (Figure Skating / Ice Dance qualification) are preferred. The Judges Entries must reach the Organising Committee no later than **Saturday 20th July 2013**. The panels will be drawn immediately after the closing of entries. The Members concerned will then be notified of the result of the draw.

TRANSPORTATION PACKAGE

The Organising Committee have arranged a transportation package deal for you, for which we have to ask \$150 AUD per person, payable together with the entrance fee. All team members, except invited officials and overseas judges have to pay this transportation fee. Included in the fee is:

- Transfer from and to Sydney International Airport (between the 19th August and 23th August)
- Shuttle service from Tuesday 20th August to Thursday 22nd August between the official hotel and the ice rink.

ENTRY FEE

Entry fees are: \$250 AUD for Singles and \$380 AUD for Pairs and Dance. This fee, together with the Transportation Package (\$150 AUD) are to be paid at the time of entry via International Bank Transfer to the following account:

Bank:	Westpac Bank
Branch:	Acacia Ridge
Address:	1136 Beaudesert Road, Acacia Ridge, QLD 4110
BSB:	034 041
Branch:	144369
Swift Code:	WPACAU2S

VISA

Every traveller to Australia requires a valid visa before boarding a plane to Australia and there is no “Visa on Arrival” facility, travellers will be denied boarding of their aircraft to Australia without a valid visa.

Visa's for selected countries can be obtained online, please visit <http://www.immi.gov.au/visitors/tourist/visa-options.htm>

Paper-based Visa Applications must be lodged one month prior to travel, for passport holders of selected countries.

ACCREDITATION

The accreditation desk will be at the ice rink, there will be accreditation upon arrival. ID Cards will be given to all officially entered skaters, coaches, team leaders, officials and one chaperone per skater. Please wear these ID-cards at all time.

ACCOMMODATION AND TRAVEL

Each member invited, covers the travel and the hotel (bed and breakfast) for their own competitors, coaches and team leaders. Each member covers the travel of their own judges.

The official hotel is:

Breakfree Bankstown International
477 Chapel Road
Bankstown NSW 2200
Phone: +61 2 9290 4700
Fax: +61 2 9707 3359
Contact: Anita McKay anita.mckay@breakfree.com.au

The hotel room rates are:

Executive Room – 1 x King Bed or 2 x Single Beds

\$131 AUD per room, per night

Two bedroom apartment – 1 x Queen Bed and 2 x Single Beds and 1 x Sofa Bed (lounge), full kitchen

\$199 AUD per room, per night

Full Buffet Breakfast - \$15 AUD per person per day

JUDGES, REFEREES AND TECHNICAL PANEL TRAVELLING TO THE EVENT FROM OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA

The organiser will provide ground transportation, accommodation and meals for all drawn Judges, the invited Referees and the Technical Panel Officials (Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data/Replay Operators) travelling from outside Australia at the above mentioned hotel beginning with dinner on 19th August until breakfast 23rd August 2013.

The organiser will additionally cover economy round trip airfare for the Referee, Technical Controller, Technical Specialist and Data/Replay Operators.

AUSTRALIAN JUDGES, REFEREES AND TECHNICAL PANEL

The organiser will provide ground transportation (subject to availability) and meals at the event venue for all drawn Judges, the invited Referees and the Technical Panel Officials (Technical Controllers, Technical Specialists and Data/Replay Operators)

TEAMS, COACHES AND TEAM LEADERS

Teams, Coaches and Team Leaders and other team members are requested to make all accommodation bookings directly to the hotel. In order to obtain negotiated rates, please contact Ms Anita McKay (anita.mckay@breakfree.com.au) and advise that you are attending Skate DownUnder 2013.

When booking by phone, speak directly with Ms Anita McKay or leave a message and she will return your call. Alternatively send, a booking request directly to Ms Anita McKay via her email address.

ARRIVAL

All invited officials, Judges, Competitors, Team Leaders, Team Officials and Coaches taking part in the competition are requested to advise to the Organising Committee as soon as possible but no later than 13th August, the name of the airline, flight numbers and date and time of arrival at Sydney International Airport. The official "travel form" should be used.

DEPARTURE

Included in your transportation package is a transfer to the airport. The Team Leaders are requested to return the Departure Sheet and deliver this in time to the Organisation Desk at the Ice Rink.

PRACTICE

The official practice for competitors begins on 20th August 2013. Unofficial Practices will be available prior to the 20th August, please complete the Unofficial Practice form to request additional practices.

MUSIC

All competitors shall furnish competition music of excellent quality CD. In accordance with Rule 343, para 1. In accordance with Rule 343, para 1, all discs must show the exact running time of the music (not skating time) and must be submitted at the time of registration.

Each program (short program and free skating) must be recorded on one track and on separate disc. In addition, competitors must provide a back-up disk for each program.

RESULTS

The results will be calculated according to ISU Special Regulations Single and Pair Skating 2012, Rules 352 and 353.

PRESENTATION OF MEDALS

The three best placed skaters in each event will be announced and honoured. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be presented to medallists.

LIABILITY

According to ISU Regulations Rule 119 the Organizer accepts no liability for bodily or personal injury or for property loss or damage incurred by the Competitors or Officials. Each Member is expected to provide its own insurance protection. The Organiser will provide emergency medical services for all invited Officials and Competitors during the competition.

INFORMATION

For further information, please contact
Ice Skating Australia
E-mail: entries@isa.org.au

EVENT SCHEDULE

The preliminary event schedule is as follow, subject to changes, a final schedule will be published as soon as the entry list has closed.

Tuesday 20th August

- Official Practices
- Initial Judges Meeting
- Technical Panel Meeting
- Novice Ladies and Men Short Program
- Junior and Senior Pair Short Program

Wednesday 21st August

- Official Practices
- Novice Ladies and Men Free Skate
- Junior Ladies and Men Short Program
- Junior Dance Short Dance
- Junior Pair Free Skate
- Senior Ladies and Men Short Program
- Senior Dance Short Dance
- Senior Pair Free Skate

Thursday 22nd August

- Official Practices
- Round Table Discussion – Novice and Pairs Events
- Junior Ladies and Men Free Skate
- Junior Dance Free Dance
- Senior Ladies and Men Free Skate
- Senior Dance Free Dance
- Round Table Discussion – Junior and Senior Events

Official Hotel Information

Location details

- Centro shopping centre: 650m
- Bankstown Sports Club: 650m
- City Rail System: 700m
- Bankstown - Lidcombe Hospital: 3.5km
- Sydney Olympic Park: 11km
- Sydney Airport: 17km
- Sydney CBD: 19.4km
- Canterbury Olympic Ice Rink: 10km

Hotel Facilities

- 24-hour reception at hotel
- Heated indoor pool, spa & gym
- Same day laundry & dry-cleaning Mon-Fri (excl. public holidays)
- Undercover car parking
- Restaurant, bar and cocktail lounge (see dining page for restaurant operating times)
- Atrium Garden Cafe
- Internet kiosk in lobby
- Major credit cards accepted



Executive Room

Full size bath and shower, hair dryer, iron & ironing board, cable TV, ISD/STD telephones, desk/work area, high speed internet broadband (hotel only), individually controlled air-conditioning



2 Bedroom Apartment

Full size bath and shower, hair dryer, iron & ironing board, cable TV, ISD/STD telephones, desk/work area, high speed internet broadband (hotel only), individually controlled air-conditioning, fully equipped kitchen with microwave and stove (in apartments only), living and dining area with balcony (in apartments only)

