



NEW ZEALAND  
ICE FIGURE SKATING  
CHAMPIONSHIPS  
ŌTEPOTI | DUNEDIN 2023

## NATIONALS INFORMATION

### Newsletter #3 • September 2023

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Less than two weeks until the 2023 New Zealand Ice Figure Skating Championships (Nationals) at Dunedin Ice Stadium, **Saturday 7 - Tuesday 10 October 2023!** Here is some updated information from DISC to assist you with your planning.

#### UNOFFICIAL PRACTICE ICE

You are able to book one session of unofficial ice per skater, or per synchro team, on the booking form below:

- Unofficial ice session for singles and couples will be 30 mins (\$15 per skater)
- Unofficial ice sessions for synchro teams will be 20 mins (\$120 per team)

**Initial bookings are due by 5pm Saturday 30 September.** If spaces remain after **the initial** bookings are allocated, we will open a form for Bookings #2. At this point, you will be able to book a second slot of unofficial ice. We thank you for your patience.

[Booking form link](#)

#### VOLUNTEERING

You've heard it before, but we need you! Behind every amazing skater and performance at a competition is an army of volunteers, and the competition doesn't get bigger than Nationals. Please put your name down for one of the jobs. You are welcome to volunteer for more than one shift if you are available!

We need volunteers for the following jobs:

- Registration table
- Merchandise collection table
- Marshalling
- Music box
- Announcing
- Runner for officials (hot water bottles/blankets)
- Time keeping
- Medical/first aid crew
- Help with the food and drink for officials

Once you have indicated where and when you're available, a team leader will be in touch to confirm slots and share with you information relevant to Dunedin Ice Stadium.

[Volunteer form link](#)

## MERCHANDISE

Online orders for Nationals merchandise are now closed, but fear not, you will be able to place an order and pay in person throughout the event. We will have photos of the merchandise and size guides available to help you decide. Ice Stadium staff will take your order and calculate the postage. We will close orders on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October.



## BANQUET

**Deadline for booking your banquet tickets: 5pm, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

The theme for the championship's banquet is 'Under the Sea'. Been looking for an occasion to give your mer-tail a shake, now's your moment! Check your wardrobe for aqua, turquoise, coral – there's an ocean-full of colours to choose from. The banquet will be held at upstairs in the Metro Lounge at the Edgar Centre, with great views of the Otago Harbour. The banquet is a two-course meal, with dietary needs accommodated. Tickets:

Adults (over 12 yrs) - \$45

Children (12 yrs and under) - \$20

Please indicate any dietary needs in the booking form

[Banquet ticket sales](#)

## TICKETING

We are launching a media campaign to attract members of the broader Ōtepoti Dunedin public to this year's Nationals. Our aim is to grow the audience and share the thrill of watching our athletes compete at our sport's pinnacle Aotearoa event. Skaters who register for Nationals have entry for themselves plus a chaperone as part of their registration. For other guests, day tickets are available for purchase from the online store, or can be purchased at the entry to Dunedin Ice Stadium.



Adults (over 12 yrs) - \$5 per day ticket

Children (12 yrs and under) - Free

[Purchase tickets](#)

We will not be asking for donations at the registration desk!

## VIDEO PERMIT

The video permit form is now available. Please save the confirmation on your phone so that we can match you to our records at the registrations desk. In our media saturated times, video permits might seem a bit old school but the video permit is about being respectful of others, particularly when many of our athletes are minors.

[Video permit form link](#)

## FACEBOOK PAGE

Check out the athlete bios on our Facebook page! It is great to learn more about our A-Team reps, and other teams and skaters from around the Clubs. Follow the NZ Nationals event on DISC Facebook. Keep an eye open for spot prizes!



[Dunedin Ice Skating Club](#)

## OFFICIAL MATTERS

1. The **schedule** is attached. The latest version can always be found on the NZIFSA website under Competitions.
2. All **technical or selection questions** should be addressed to the NZIFSA – in the first instance, to the General Secretary at [secretary@nzifsa.org.nz](mailto:secretary@nzifsa.org.nz).

## Dunedin Ice Skating Club Organising Committee

Kim Brown; Michael Holtz; Tracey Henderson; Heather Evangelou ; Djuna Elkan; Melissa Shipman; Fiona Pickering ; Sue Hoseit; Virginia Cathro; Nicola Blaikie; Megan Kliegl

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