Lessons

Skaters who skate enough and wear proper equipment will also need lessons to learn proper skating technique.

Types of Lessons

PRIVATE LESSONS

One of the main reasons you hire a private coach is to improve the quality of your skater's training so he can develop good technique. Hiring a figure skating coach means hiring someone to guide your child's figure skating career. This coach becomes the person you go to for training advice. Private lessons are arranged directly with and payment is made directly to the individual coach.

Private lessons used to mean 15 minute, one-on-one lessons with your coach. Today though, 'private lessons' refers to a lesson structure that may include a combination of one-on-one, semi-private and private group lessons with the professional coach you have hired.

Private- One-on-one with your private coach

Semi-Private - 2 skaters with your private coach

Private Group- 3 or more skaters with your private coach

CLUB GROUP LESSONS

These lessons are included with your membership and are provided to insure that all skaters receive some professional direction.

Groups- up to 10 skaters (CanSkate), 12 skaters (Junior) with the coach assigned to that group by the Club

Classes (i.e. Stroking)- all the skaters on that session on that day

PROGRAMME ASSISTANTS ON CANSKATE SESSIONS

Programme Assistants are amateur skaters who volunteer their time on CanSkate sessions. They help organize skaters so they are in the correct area and group, pick them up when they fall (if necessary), play games with them and generally help the session to run more efficiently. Most P.A.s are 12 years of age and older and/or have their Preliminary Free Skate Test. P.A's are not coaches.

CANSKATE SUPERVISION

During Supervision time a professional coach may be on duty. Supervision means that a professional coach monitors the P.A.'s supervision of the skaters' practice. Skaters are not necessarily taught during this time- they are supervised. This supervision is NOT a substitute for private lessons.

How To Hire A Private Coach

- * Watch the coaches on the session.
- * To identify the coaches, refer to the photographs and biographies on the wall outside the Meeting Room.
- * Approach the coach of your choice but never on the ice. He or she is working with students who are paying for that time. Instead, wait until the coach is off the ice, call the coach at home or email. Phone numbers appear on the back of this brochure.
- * Ask about availability, rates, payment options and any other questions you may have.

Club Group Lessons

The following Club Group lessons are included in your Scarboro FSC membership:

CanSkate

15 minute Group lesson with a 10:1 coachto-skater ratio or less

Junior

- 15 minute Skills group on with a 12:1 skater-to-coach ratio or less
- 15 minute Stroking class

Open, Intermediate, Senior B & Senior A

- Stroking classes are included on most sessions (please check your brochure)
- A Creative Movement class is offered on the Thursday Senior A/B session

Dryland

The Scarboro FSC also offers Dryland (off ice) classes for skaters from the Junior level and up. Please consult your brochure for details.

Private lessons are recommended and appropriate for <u>all</u> skaters from the CanSkate level and up.

Becoming a Programme Assistant

Skaters interesting in volunteering to be a Programme Assistant on CanSkate sessions should contact Liz Todd, the CanSkate/Junior Coordinator for details.

Our Professional Coaches

Cindy Barclay- Hubert	905-837-8305
Karen Cherepacha	416-266-5334
Donna Iijima	416-281-3695
Carol Lane*	905-686-1674
Jon Lane	905-686-1674
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Cheryl Richardson**	416 449 6972
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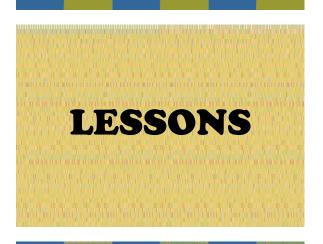
^{*}Dance Coordinator

Certification

All professional figure skating coaches in Canada are required to be certified by the NCCP (National Coaching Certification Programme) to insure a general level of competence. There are 5 levels:

- Level 5 not yet required
- Level 4 required to coach Olympic level athletes
- Level 3 required to coach National and International level athletes
- Intermediate STARSkate required to coach at the Provincial competitive level
- Primary STARSkate- required to coach on Junior and above sessions
- CanSkate Certified- may coach on CanSkate sessions only.

All <u>Skate Canada</u> coaches are required to be certified in First Aid, provide a 'Police Clearance and Position of Trust Check' and have completed a 'Making Ethical Decisions' module



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