

Spring Preview 2010

A Showcase & Spotlight Competition

Open to both US Figure Skating & ISI Skaters

Sunday, April 11, 2010

Vacaville Ice Sports

551 Davis St.

Vacaville, CA 95688

Character, Dramatic, Light and Interpretive Singles

Pairs & Couples

Groups

Dance

Theater on Ice

Synchronized Team Skating

Sanctioned by:



Entry Deadline: Postmarked by March 6, 2010

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General Rules and Information

The Vaca Valley Figure Skating Club and Vacaville Ice Sports invite all to compete in this event, which is sanctioned by US Figure Skating and falls under the joint agreement with the Ice Skating Institute.

Rink Size: 85' x 200' (performance area is reduced by approximately 25' for curtain and backstage warm-up area). Synchro teams and all Dance events will have the full ice.

Categories: **Character / Light Entertainment:** Combined event at all levels.
Character - Role representing something – animal, story, object, etc.
Light Entertainment - Broadway, jazz, modern, comedy, etc.
Dramatic: Serious, emotional, artistic interpretation of the music
Interpretive: Routine created by skater after hearing the music only twice.
Pairs: Any theme - two skaters – Boy/Girl
Similar Pairs: Any theme - two skaters – Boy/Boy or Girl/Girl
Dance: Solo, Pro-Am, Am-Am, Shadow and Free Dance
Groups: Any Theme – Committee will divide into appropriate categories.
(Theater on Ice, Synchronized Team, etc.)

US Figure Skating skaters and ISI skaters will compete in combined events and all categories will be eligible for the recall event, except Interpretive and Groups. ISU members may enter with permission of their home federation.

Two entries are required to hold an event except three (3) are required for an Interpretive event. At the discretion of the Chief Referee, events may be combined and single entries may be offered to perform an exhibition and be eligible for recall. All decisions of the Chief Referee are final.

Entry fees: Please see event specific entry sheets on pages 10, 11 and 12.

First event & subsequent event pricing structures are specific to each applicable discipline and CAN NOT be mixed. *Example: A 1st Singles event (Dramatic, Interpretive, etc.) does not entitle the skater to receive 2nd event pricing on a Dance event and vice versa.*

Entry in a group event does not qualify as “First Event” entry in order to receive reduced pricing for entry in a second or subsequent event.

Returned checks will be charged a \$25 fee. Only cash, money order or cashier's check will be accepted for payment for any returned check.

Refunds will be made for cancellations made prior to the entry closing date less a \$25 fee. No refunds will be made after the deadline for entries (March 6, 2010) for any reason except if an event is not held or a single entry skater does not wish to perform an exhibition.

Entries postmarked after the entry deadline date (March 6, 2010) will be subject to a late fee of \$25.00 which must be received with entry fees and forms. Late entries that do not include the late fee will not be processed and the skater will not be allowed to participate in the event. **No entry will be accepted after Friday, April 2, 2010.**

There will be a \$25 fee for each change of event/level after close of entries. Changes to entries will not be permitted after Friday, April 2, 2010.

Admission: Free to all spectators for all events.

Check-in: All skaters/groups must check in with their music at least 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time for their event and be backstage and ready to skate up to 30 minutes early. Interpretive event skaters must check-in backstage 45 minutes prior to the scheduled time for their event.

Notices: An official bulletin board in the rink lobby will have the latest official schedule and skating orders posted. These postings will supercede all others. A tentative schedule which is subject to change and entry lists will be posted on the club website approximately 2 weeks prior to the competition.

Music: All music must be on CD's (CD-R or CD+R). CDRW disks will not be accepted. Only one (1) music track per CD. Each must be clearly marked with skater's name and event. Music not properly marked will not be accepted. All skaters are requested to have a backup available at rinkside.

Warm-up: A warm-up area behind the curtain will be available prior to each event. Full ice warm-up will be allowed for Novice/Freestyle 7 & higher, all Adult, Group, Pair, Synchro and Dance events.

Props: All props must be sensible, safe and transported onto and off the ice by the skater, without assistance in 30 seconds (except groups – 2 minutes). The referee can disallow any prop. Prohibited props include those with anything living, fire, smoke, balloons, feathers, fog, dry ice, electric power, whipped or shaving cream and any other item that could mar the ice or affect other skaters. See judging section for prop penalties.

Lighting: House lights only will be used. No spotlights.

Awards: Pictures will be taken of the four (4) top skaters, pairs and groups in each event and medals presented immediately following the posting of results. Best of competition awards (trophies for the top 3 in each category and medals for all others) will be presented at the conclusion of the competition.

Practice Ice: Contact Vacaville Ice Sports for available times (707) 455-0225.

Videos/Action Photos: All skaters can arrange tapings/photos with the official videographer or photographer at the event. Personal video cameras must be hand held.

Lodging: The following hotels are located nearby:

Hampton Inn & Suites, 800 Mason St. across parking lot from rink, 707-469-6200

Courtyard by Marriott, 120 Nut Tree Pkwy., 707-451-9000

Residence Inn by Marriott, 360 Orange Dr., 707-469-0300

Fairfield Inn by Marriott, 370 Orange Dr., 707-469-0800

Holiday Inn Express, 151 Lawrence Dr., 707-451-3500

Comfort Suites Hotel, 191 Lawrence Dr., 707-446-3000

Contacts: **USFS Chair:** Alicia Adema 707-373-5885
ISI Chair: Donnarae Tulskey 707-455-0225 x207

E-Mail: president@vacavalleyfsc.org

Club Website: www.vacavalleyfsc.org

Please do not contact after 9 pm.

Referee: Lisa Erle

Dance Referee: Howard Taylor

Accountant: Ellen Izuka

Judging

Judges selected from US Figure Skating and Ice Skating Institute official lists will score all events on a scale from zero to 6.0. Individual judge's marks will not be posted.

Entertainment: This is the main factor in determining an entry's placement. Judges will look for showmanship, artistic & theatrical qualities and audience appeal.

Skating: The ability of the skater should be consistent with the level of the event. Judges will look for clean execution of all moves with consideration given to the overall difficulty of the program.

Music & Choreography: Programs will be judged on their overall creativity. Judges will look for inventive use of choreography to interpret the chosen music.

Costumes & Props: These should be appropriate and enhance the performance. Props not incorporated into the performance will receive no value.

Mandatory Deductions: 0.2 points will be deducted for each of the following:

- Marring the ice for succeeding skaters
- Exceeding 30 seconds for setup or removal of props (except groups @ 2 minutes)
- Programs over the maximum time limit
- Prohibited jumps
- Use of prohibited props or costume features

Note: There is no deduction for skating less than the allowed time.

Recall – Best of Competition Event

Each judge will indicate on their scoring sheet potential recall skaters & pairs. A majority of judges on the panel must agree in order for one to be recalled. Any entry (including previous winners) may be recalled from any event except Interpretive, Groups and Dance.

In order to be recalled, an entry must have placed 1st in the event or placed after the recalled entry.

Entrants recalled in more than one singles event must chose which program they will perform. Skaters also recalled in pair events may skate and receive awards in those events.

Token awards will be given to all "Best of Competition" entries at the conclusion of the competition. Overall awards will be presented to the best 3 in the lower levels (Basic Skating 1/Tots through Pre-Juvenile / FS 5) and the best 3 in the upper levels (Juvenile / FS 6 through Senior and all Adult & Pair/Couple numbers).

SINGLE, PAIR/COUPLE & GROUP EVENTS (NON-DANCE)

All skaters in these events must be US Figure Skating, Ice Skating Institute or International Skating Union members in good standing and have permission of their home club, coach, rink and/or federation. Skaters may compete at their qualified level based on tests passed or one level higher. However, all categories must be at the same level. Age is as of the first day of the competition. Test requirements are as of the closing date for entries.

Men/Ladies and Boys/Girls will compete in the same groups. Novice/Freestyle 7 and above plus Pairs and Group events will be divided into groups by random draw. All others will be divided into groups by age. Adults must be 21 years of age or older. Young adults, 18 to 20 years of age, may enter Adult events but will compete in their own groups. Depending on the number of entries, categories may be divided, or expanded, or combined by the competition committee and the referee.

Singles Events (Character/Light Entertainment, Dramatic, or Interpretive)

Basic Skating 1 / Tots	Age 6 and under and must not have passed any US Figure Skating tests or no higher than ISI Tot 4 test. 1:10 minute max.
Basic Skating 2 / Pre Alpha / Alpha	Must not have passed any US Figure Skating tests or no higher than ISI Alpha test. 1:10 minute max.
Basic Skating 3 / Beta / Gamma / Delta	Must not have passed any US Figure Skating tests or no higher than ISI Delta test. 1:10 minute max.
Basic Skating 4 / Freestyle 1 & 2 / Bronze Freestyle	Must not have passed any US Figure Skating tests or no higher than ISI FS 2 test. 1:10 minute max.
Pre-Preliminary 1 / Freestyle 3 / Bronze Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Preliminary FS or ISI FS 4 tests. No loop, flip, lutz, axel or double jumps. 1:40 minutes max.
Pre-Preliminary 2 / Freestyle 3 / Bronze Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Preliminary FS or ISI FS 4 tests. No axel or double jumps. 1:40 minutes max
Pre-Preliminary 3 / Freestyle 4 / Silver Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Preliminary FS or ISI FS 5 tests. Axel allowed but no double jumps. 1:40 minutes max.
Preliminary / Freestyle 4 / Silver Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Pre-Juvenile FS or ISI 5 tests. Axel allowed but no double jumps. 1:40 minutes max.

Pre-Juvenile / Freestyle 5 / Silver or Gold Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Juvenile FS or ISI FS 6 tests. 1:40 minutes max.
Juvenile / Open Juv / Freestyle 5 / Silver or Gold Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Intermediate FS or ISI FS 6 tests. 2:10 minutes max. (Open Juvenile age 13+)
Intermediate / Freestyle 6 / Gold Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Novice FS or ISI FS 7 tests. 2:10 minutes max.
Novice / Freestyle 7 / Platinum Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Junior FS or ISI FS 8 tests. 2:10 minutes max.
Junior / Freestyle 8 / Platinum Freestyle	Must not have passed the US Figure Skating Senior FS or ISI FS 9 tests. 2:40 minutes max.
Senior / Freestyle 9-10 / Platinum Freestyle	2:40 minutes max.
Adult No Test / Freestyle 1 & 2 / Bronze Freestyle	Must not have passed any US Figure Skating test or no higher than ISI FS 2 test. No axel or double jumps. 1:40 minutes max.
Adult Pre-Bronze / Freestyle 3 / Bronze Freestyle	Must not have passed the Adult Bronze FS, Pre FS or ISI FS 4 test. No axel or double jumps. 1:40 minutes max.
Adult Bronze / Freestyle 4 / Silver Freestyle	Must not have passed the Adult Silver FS, Pre-Juv FS or ISI FS 5 test. No axel or double jumps. 1:40 minutes max.
Adult Silver / Freestyle 5 & 6 / Silver or Gold Freestyle	Must not have passed the Adult Gold FS, Juv FS or ISI FS 7 test. Axel allowed, no double jumps. 1:40 minutes max.
Adult Gold / Masters / Freestyle 7-10 / Platinum Freestyle	Must have passed either Adult Silver, Juv FS or ISI FS 7 test. Axel and double jumps allowed. 1:40 minutes max.

Pair/Couple Events

- Similar: No requirements. 2:40 minutes max.
Low: USFS Basic Skating 1-4 / ISI Tots to Freestyle 2
Medium: USFS Pre-Preliminary & Preliminary / ISI FS 3-4
High: USFS Pre-Juvenile & above / ISI FS 5 & above
- Novice: No requirements. 2:10 minutes max.
- Junior: Novice test level as a minimum. 2:40 minutes max.
- Senior: Junior test level as a minimum. 2:40 minutes max.

Group Events (Entry in a group event does not qualify as "First Event" entry – see page 2)

- Small Groups (3-7) No requirements. 3:10 minutes max.
- Larger Groups (7-30) No requirements. 6:15 minutes max.
- Theater on Ice
 - Synchronized Teams (will have the full ice surface for their program)

ICE DANCE EVENTS

Dance categories include Solo Dance, Pro-Am/Am-Am Dance, Shadow Dance and Free Dance events.

Judging: Two marks will be given under the 6.0 system. Dance sequences to be skated in accordance with section 4230 of the current US Figure Skating rulebook.

Solo Dance Events (Two skaters are needed to hold an event, no age limitation.)

- Preliminary:** Open to skaters who have not passed their US Figure Skating Pre-Bronze Dance test. Dance is Rhythm Blues.
- Pre-Bronze:** Open to skaters who have not passed their US Figure Skating Bronze Dance test. Dance is Fiesta Tango.
- Bronze:** Open to skaters who have not passed their US Figure Skating Pre-Silver Dance test. Dance is Hickory Hoedown.
- Pre-Silver:** Open to skaters who have not passed their US Figure Skating Silver Dance test. Dance is Foxtrot.
- Silver:** No test restrictions. Dance is Rocker Foxtrot.
- Pre-Gold:** No test restrictions. Dance is Blues.
- Gold:** No test restrictions. Dance is Quickstep.

Pro-Am/Am-Am Events

A dance couple will consist of an eligible skater and a professional or two eligible skaters. Competitors may not enter an event below their completed test level (either adult or standard track) as of March 6, 2010. Competitors may skate up. Events may be divided by age.

Preliminary:	One partner should not have passed their US Figure Skating Pre-Bronze Dance test. Dance is Canasta Tango
Pre-Bronze:	One partner should not have passed their US Figure Skating Bronze Dance test. Dance is Cha Cha
Bronze:	One partner should not have passed their US Figure Skating Pre-Silver Dance test. Dance is Willow Waltz
Pre-Silver:	One partner should not have passed their US Figure Skating Silver Dance test. Dance is Fourteenstep
Silver:	One partner should not have passed their US Figure Skating Pre-Gold Dance test. Dance is Tango
Pre-Gold:	One partner should not have passed their US Figure Skating Gold Dance test. Dance is Kilian.
Gold:	No test restrictions. Dance is Viennese Waltz
International:	No test restrictions. Dance is Rhumba

Shadow Dance Events

Shadow dancing is two persons skating together as a team, shadowing each other side by side or at a direct angle to each other with the required compulsory dance. Neither partner is permitted to touch the other while skating, but both skaters should remain as close as possible to one another. It is required that the partners change sides for each pattern of the dance without interrupting the flow of the dance. Two couples are needed to hold an event – or- different levels may be combined into one event where necessary to hold the event.

Cha Cha:	At least one of the dancers may not have completed their Bronze dance test.
Hickory Hoedown:	At least one of the dancers may not have completed their Pre-Silver dance test.
Fourteenstep:	At least one of the dancers may not have completed their Silver dance test.
Rocker Foxtrot:	No eligibility requirement.
Quickstep:	No eligibility requirement.
Kilian:	No eligibility requirement.

Free Dance

Open to mixed couples. Categories are in accord with current US Figure Skating rules.

Juvenile FD
Intermediate FD
Novice FD

Spring Preview 2010 - Single, Pair/Couple Entry Form

Skater's Name (first & last): _____

Phonetic spelling (to assist announcer): _____

Date of birth: _____ Age: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Member #: _____ Home Club/Rink/Federation: _____

Coach's Name: _____ Coach's Phone: _____

Coach's E-mail for schedule: _____

Singles first event \$75 (*\$50 for events with 1:10 minute programs – red italicized events below*)

Each added event \$40 (*\$20 for events with 1:10 minute programs – red italicized events below*)

USFS	ISI	Character/Light	Dramatic	Interpretive
<i>Basic Skating 1</i>	<i>Tot</i>	___	___	___
<i>Basic Skating 2</i>	<i>Pre Alpha / Alpha</i>	___	___	___
<i>Basic Skating 3</i>	<i>Beta / Gamma / Delta</i>	___	___	___
<i>Basic Skating 4</i>	<i>FS 1 & 2 / Bronze FS</i>	___	___	___
Pre-Preliminary 1	FS 3 / Bronze FS	___	___	___
Pre-Preliminary 2	FS 3 / Bronze FS	___	___	___
Pre-Preliminary 3	FS 4 / Silver FS	___	___	___
Preliminary	FS 4 / Silver FS	___	___	___
Pre-Juvenile	FS 5 / Silver or Gold FS	___	___	___
Juvenile / Open Juv.	FS 5 / Silver or Gold FS	___	___	___
Intermediate	FS 6 / Gold FS	___	___	___
Novice	FS 7 / Platinum FS	___	___	___
Junior	FS 8 / Platinum FS	___	___	___
Senior	FS 9 & 10 / Platinum FS	___	___	___
Adult No Test	FS 1 & 2 / Bronze FS	___	___	___
Adult Pre-Bronze	FS 3 / Bronze FS	___	___	___
Adult Bronze	FS 4 / Silver FS	___	___	___
Adult Silver	FS 5 & 6 / Silver or Gold FS	___	___	___
Adult Gold / Masters	FS 7-10 / Platinum FS	___	___	___

Pair/Couple \$40 per person:

___ Low Similar ___ Medium Similar ___ High Similar ___ Novice ___ Junior ___ Senior

Partner's Name: _____ Club/Rink: _____

Make check payable to Vaca Valley Figure Skating Club and mail to:
VVFSC c/o Keith Landes, 1425 Shelby Dr., Fairfield, CA 94534

Entry Deadline: Postmarked by March 6, 2010 – see top of page 3 for late entry policy.

\$25 fee for each change of event/level after close of entries.
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Spring Preview 2010 - Group Entry Form

Name of Group: _____ Representing: _____

Coach/Chaperone: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail for schedule: _____

Groups \$12 per person (3-7) or \$8 person (8-25): ___ Small (3-7) ___ Large (8-25)
(Entry in a group event does not qualify as "First Event" entry to receive reduced entry pricing on second or subsequent event entered.)

Name	Age	Member Number	Name	Age	Member Number
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
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Entry Deadline: Postmarked by March 6, 2010 – see top of page 3 for late entry policy.

Club / Rink Certification

I hereby approve the entry of the skaters and certify that to the best of my knowledge:

1. They are eligible to enter the specified events.
2. They are members in good standing.
3. They (if under 18) are complying with a standard educational policy.

Liability Release

I have read and agree to abide by the rules of this competition. I am aware that skating is at the competitor's risk and agree to hold harmless US Figure Skating, Vaca Valley Figure Skating Club, Inc., Vacaville Ice Sports and directors, officers, agents and employees from any and all loss, damage and/or injury of whatsoever kind, that may be sustained by the skater in any manner while participating in any activity of the competition.

Club / Coach / Arena Mgr.: (please print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Spring Preview 2010 – Ice Dance Entry Form

Skater's Name (first & last): _____

Phonetic spelling (to assist announcer): _____

Date of birth: _____ Age: _____ Male: _____ Female: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Member #: _____ Home Club/Rink/Federation: _____

Coach's Name: _____ Coach's Phone: _____

Coach's E-mail for schedule: _____

Dance Events – check boxes for events entered:

Solo, Pro-Am & Am-Am								
	Preliminary	Pre-Bronze	Bronze	Pre-Silver	Silver	Pre-Gold	Gold	Int'l
Solo								
Pro-Am								
Am-Am								
Shadow Dance								
	Cha Cha	Hickory Hoedown	Fourteenstep	Rocker Foxtrot	Quickstep	Kilian		
Shadow Dance								
Free Dance								
	Juvenile		Intermediate			Novice		
Free Dance								

If entering a Pro-Am Dance please provide:

Pro's Name (first and last): _____

Pro's Home Club: _____

If entering an Am-Am, Shadow Dance or Free Dance please provide:

Partner's Name (first and last): _____

Partner's Home Club: _____

DANCE ENTRY FEES:	1st Event	2nd Event	3rd+ Event
Solo or Pro-AM event:	\$50.00 _____	\$20.00 _____	\$15.00 _____
Am-Am Event per couple:	\$80.00 _____	\$20.00 _____	\$15.00 _____

* First dance event fee does not apply to dance skaters who are also participating in an artistic or technical freestyle event. A skater's Singles event should always be their 1st event for fee calculations.

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VVFSK c/o Keith Landes, 1425 Shelby Dr., Fairfield, CA 94534

Entry Deadline: Postmarked by March 6, 2010

\$25 fee for each change of event/level after close of entries.
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Club / Coach / Parent Certification

I hereby approve the entry of the skater and certify that to the best of my knowledge:

1. He/she is eligible to enter the specified events.
2. He/she is a member in good standing of his/her/my club.
3. He/she (if under 18) is complying with a standard educational policy.

Liability Release

I have read and agree to abide by the rules of this competition. I am aware that skating is at the competitor's risk and agree to hold harmless US Figure Skating, Vaca Valley Figure Skating Club, Inc., Vacaville Ice Sports and their directors, officers, agents and employees from any and all loss, damage and/or injury of whatsoever kind, that may be sustained by the skater in any manner while participating in any activity of the competition.

USFS entry requires Club Official: (printed name) _____
(not needed for ISI entry)

ISI entry requires Coach: (printed name) _____
(not needed for USFS entry)

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(USFS Club Official or ISI Coach)



If 18 years old or older:

Competitor: (please print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If under 18 year old:

Parent/Guardian: (please print) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____