



UPPER HUTT ROLLER SKATING CLUB

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Salient Points from the Annual General Meeting

It was heartening to see so many of our Members attending the meeting, with everyone delighted to meet up again and share their experiences of the last few weeks. We really are one lovely skating family.

2020-2021 Club Committee

The following were re-appointed to positions of office within the Club:

- President Janine Price
- Vice President Megan Hawley
- Secretary Tania Agnew
- Treasurer Liz Edwards

Victoria Edwards was re-appointed as Junior Representative.

The elected committee for the year is:

Chris Clifton, Sarah Healey, Pam Hindmarsh, Katelyn Kennedy, Rob Lamb and Helen Nicol.

The club is grateful that these people are willing to take on the role of looking after the best interests of all the club skaters.

The outgoing committee were thanked at the AGM for their work over the past year. Special thanks and appreciation were extended to Raewyn Hailes, Vicki Kennedy and Julia Pitiroi for the effort they have put into making sure the facility and the sport is the best it can be for our skaters.

Subscriptions

Previously, we had been advised that it was most likely the fees for this year would have to be increased. As the rink was closed for the two months of Covid-19, the outgoing committee recommended the fees remain the same for this new skating year and that was accepted. Of course, the status quo cannot go on for ever and we should expect there will be an increase of fees taking effect at next year's AGM.

Note: See page 4 for information re this year's fees / subscriptions which are due for payment now.

Coach Accreditation Certificates

Congratulations to the following Patch Coaches who have passed the requirements to attain their Coach Accreditation Certificates –

Terriann Randle, Kotuku Ruki, Katie Hawley, Caitlin Munn, Jessie Pitiroi, Mackenzie Williams

Your willingness to be the best you can to assist all our Patch Skaters is very much appreciated.

President's Report

The following is our President's report which she presented at the AGM.

Welcome to all.

Before we continue, I need to acknowledge the passing of one of our life members, Fiona Patrick. Fiona was a massive part of our club. She was the club secretary for many years and had also been Upper Hutt Team Manager and NZ Team manager on various occasions. She and Emma kept the rink spik and span for many, many years. She was a fixture on the sidelines both here at the rink and at competitions and was a huge supporter of all our skaters. Her contributions to the club were more than I can list or do justice to and she will be sorely missed.

Please can we all stand and observe a moment of silence for Fiona Patrick.

I wish to thank all the Committee, Skaters, Coaches, members, and supporters for their support of the Club over the past year, and I'd like to welcome all our new members.

Goodness! What a year we've had so far!

Covid 19 certainly threw a spanner in the works, and I'm glad that we're in a position now where we can all meet together like this. We've seen almost all of our regular skating events cancelled for the year and many training, medal test and social events cancelled. But the NZ Skating community are starting to rally, so keep an eye out for more skating events scheduled for later in the year.

2019 Oceania Championships were held in Dandenong, Australia in October 2019. Our Club had 7 skaters in the team and I would like to congratulate them all on their skating and general conduct, they were wonderful representatives of the club. Special congratulations goes to Katelyn Kennedy who won her Figure event and was named the 2019 Senior Oceania Ladies Figure Champion, and Emma Patrick who won her Freeskating event and was named the 2019 Senior Oceania Ladies Freeskating Champion.

The New Zealand Artistic Championships for 2019 were held in July at New Plymouth. In total the Club won 22 medals – 6 gold, 9 silver and 7 bronze. The Club came third in the Club Show Skate Event with our Teddy Bear's Picnic routine – "Two for One". A big thank you to Imelda Coleman for creating this routine and coaching the team. I'd also like to specially mention Emma Patrick who received the Jack Fanthorpe Memorial Fund for the skater who has achieved the most in National and International fields, and also Katelyn Kennedy who won the Avis Berry Trophy for the Senior Lady who has gained the most points in Figures, Freeskating and Solo Dance.

Our Club Champs in December 2019 was a success. We had many of our Club skaters competing and a whole lot of fun was had by everyone.

We also hosted our 2020 Upper Hutt Open Day competition in March. This was one of only 2 competitions that were able to be held this year in our regular competition season. It was the first competition of the year and was a great weekend letting skaters get out on the floor in front of judges and for the officials to use the updated RollArt System for the first time. I'd like to thank all the volunteers and officials that put so much work into making this event run smoothly and I'd like to especially mention Raewyn Hailes and Julia Pitiroi.

Congratulations to all our Officials and Coaches who have who have gained commissions during the last year. Our Club Officials have helped not only at our Club but at competitions throughout NZ. Thank you, it is very much appreciated. The Club is always looking for new Officials to assist within the sport so if you are interested in any role or helping in any way please let me know. I'd also like to thank our club coaches who work with our skaters every week here at the rink and provide valuable support at our learn to skate classes, skate camps and training events, and other events such as our Club Show Team.

On behalf of the Club I wish to thank Katelyn Kennedy, Imelda Coleman and all the helpers who coach at our Patch Classes. Thanks also to Tania Agnew, for being the Patch Class Manager in 2019 and Angie Munn who has taken over that role this year. Along with their Assistants, they have done a marvellous job of looking after the Admin side of our Patch classes.

Before lockdown we had seen strong attendance at our Saturday discos and School Holiday sessions this year. We are hoping that we can return to our normal public session schedule shortly and we're eagerly awaiting further moves toward level 1. Once we re-start the public sessions it will be essential that all club members support these sessions. Apart from assisting with running the disco's, please consider coming down to skate and bringing all your friends! Income from these sessions help pay for the rental and other outgoings we have, plus they help to keep your rink fees at a reasonable level.

Private bookings on weekdays and Saturday evenings have also been very popular. Thank you to Megan who co-ordinates our private bookings and to everyone who assist at these bookings.

Rimutaka Roller Derby League, Rimutaka Inline Hockey Club and Wellington Roller Hockey have continued to book the rink on a regular basis. I would like to thank these groups for choosing to use our facility.

We have some committee members deciding not to seek re-election this year, so I wish to thank Vicki Kennedy and Julia Pitiroi for the time they have given over the years. Your help has been greatly appreciated.

Finally, I wish the Club all the best for the coming year and with the support shown by all members I'm sure it will be another successful year that we can all be very proud of.

*Janine Price
President,
UHRSC*

The Present

NEARLY BACK TO NORMAL

As we all know, many of our championships, medal tests, night discos etc have been cancelled. There are still decisions to be made for the rest of the year and your committee will make every endeavour to give you as much notice as possible of all decisions. In the meantime, the following are events which were to take place during the rest of this calendar year which we do have definite information about.

NEW ZEALAND CHAMPIONSHIPS – 13 to 18 July 2020 CANCELLED

The club has been advised of the cancellation of the 2020 New Zealand Artistic Championship scheduled to be held in July. The Board advises there may be competitions scheduled within areas dependent on the situation with Covid-19.

Level 1 Covid-19

With the announcement of Level 1, we are very pleased to welcome everyone back to the rink! Tuesday night classes have already resumed as normal and we are also delighted to welcome all skaters wanting to join our pre-patch class. We are so looking forward to meeting you all. Just as exciting are the return of our Saturday afternoon discos and bookings for private events. It is super being back enjoying our favourite pastime.

New Members

Niamh Sugrue, Leah & Daniel McLellan, Lin Patel, Ella-May & Joel Fairbrother, Sarah Healey, Jessica Hare, Joeline Noble, Angela, Peter & Ethan Munn, Lauren Quilty - we extend a very warm welcome to you all and are sure you will enjoy skating at our Club. Please ask any of our Members if you require help or advice.

Skate NZ Annual Registrations

It's time to do our SkateNZ registrations for the 2020/2021 season. Due to Covid-19, the Federation has reduced the cost of fees for the next season. There is also an option to re-register at a discounted rate if this is done before 31st August 2020.

You can do this now – please [click here](#) to re-register with Upper Hutt Roller Skating Club. Remember to tick the boxes at the bottom before you click “submit”. Liz has already sent out invoices for payment.

If you have any questions about this, the information required or you do not wish to re-register, please email secretary@skatewellington.org.nz.

FUNDRAISE BY SELLING 2020 WELLINGTON ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The 2020 Entertainment Book is available through the club.

This year it is a bit different as you must purchase online and can buy either a single city for \$69.99 or a multicity for \$119.99 for a year's membership, or a NZ/Australia multi city for \$229.99. It is 12 months from the day of activation, so even if bought now it won't expire on a set date as in previous years but will give 12 months. **Anyone who buys a single city or NZ multi city this month will get a bonus 2 months free.** Offers don't only include eating at restaurants but also takeaways, leisure activities like movies, zoos, swimming pools etc.

Our members can refer friends and family to join up and for every membership sold through them the member receives 20% of the proceeds towards their club account. For single city books that is \$14; for multi city its \$24. It's a great way to fundraise for skating expenses.

All people need to do is use the following link to make their purchase. If anyone refers their friends they just let Mary-Anne Thomson know they have done so and she will arrange the credit of their purchase to the relevant club member account. The credits will be made later in the year when this year's launch is finished.

<https://apc01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.entertainmentbook.co.nz%2Forderbooks%2F105537s&data=02%7C01%7C%7Ca530431915084d0c937008d808d7dce2%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637269070493661551&sdata=77E3mGY8%2BBcebK8bQj7p2%2FKzQWhFPWO96lmyY9WQVvs%3D&reserved=0>

PUBLIC SESSIONS

A large part of the income which helps keep the cost of things like patch class down is the income from public sessions. Each family when becoming members has signed an agreement saying that as part of their membership they will help with public sessions. Please be aware that ALL skaters' families must be prepared to help on the roster for public sessions. The committee understands everyone is busy but with everyone doing a little then it is not a big load for anyone. Remember, if you are not able to do the session you have been put down for, please arrange a swap with someone from another day. The roster will be available shortly on the Club's Website.

The Future



UHRSC WELCOME BACK PARTY

Saturday 27th June 2020

6.30 – 8.30pm



This year has been so different for us all. In isolation, we've had no chance to meet our friends. With no championships, medal tests, discos and patch classes we've had no chance for a good old chinwag! It's time for a proper catchup and this "Welcome Back Party" is our opportunity.

We cordially invite members and their families to "bring a plate" and a "gold coin per person" to the Rink, to skate; chat; laugh; just enjoy yourselves relaxing with our "skating family".

A night of skating fun will be had by all! There will be games, spot prizes and hot chocolate plus a shared supper. We look forward to seeing you all there!

PATCH CLASS and PRESENTATIONS - Tuesday 30 June 2020

This will be a busy evening and you are asked to be aware of the following:

Patch Class and Patch Squad will be held as usual;

Patch Class Testing will take place during the Patch Class;

At 6.00pm there will be the **presentation of Patch Certificates and the presentation to those who have achieved medal tests** recently;

Also during this time the **College Sports Wellington medals** will be presented;

This is the last day of Patch Classes for this term.



MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR FIONA PATRICK

11 July 2020 10.30a.m.

The family of Fiona Patrick cordially invites you to join in celebrating her life on Saturday, 11 July 2020 at 10.30a.m. The memorial service will be held at Gee and Hickton's Kingswood Funeral Home, corner of King and Cairo Streets, Upper Hutt.

LOWER MEDAL TESTS – 8th & 9th August 2020

The Committee are currently organizing to have these on the 8th and 9th August 2020. As with everything else, these will be confirmed as soon as possible. In the meantime, if you are wishing to sit medal tests, please keep these dates clear on your calendar.

HIGHER MEDAL TESTS – October 2020

The Committee are currently organizing to have these on either the 17th & 18th October or 24th & 25th October 2020. Of course, these are dependent on the availability of the judges. Rest assured that you will be advised of the definite dates as soon as they are to hand.

CALENDAR

2020

27	June	Club "Welcome Back" Party	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
13-18	July	NZ Artistic Roller Sports Championships	Jubilee Stadium, Springvale, Whanganui Cancelled
08-09	August	Lower Medal Tests	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
22	August	"Disney" Disco	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
03-07	September	World Skate Oceania Artistic Championships	TSB Stadium, 1 Rogan St, New Plymouth
TBA	October	Higher Medal Tests	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
31	October	"Scary" Disco	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
07	November	League 1 Plus Medal Test 1 & 2	Arena 3, Pascal Street, Palmerston North
21-22	November	Upper Hutt Club Championships	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
12	December	Skating Show	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
12	December	Final Afternoon Disco for 2020	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
15	December	All Patch Groups Xmas Breakup	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
24	December	Rink Closes for Maintenance	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt

2021

11	January	Rink Opens for Training	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
30	January	1 st Afternoon Disco for 2021	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
09	February	2021 Patch Class & Patch Squad Commence	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt
13	February	2021 Patch Off-skate & Patch Skating Skills	UH Rink, 4A Railway Avenue, Upper Hutt

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