



**SAISA Inc
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Membership

Membership (08/09) currently stands at 58;

Associate skater: 7
Junior skater: 23
Senior skater: 6
Non-skater: 10
Judges: 5 + 1 trainee
Professional: 3
Life Members: 3

ISA Tests

Congratulations to the following skaters who have moved up to the next level recently:

Preliminary: Katie Rattigan, Aidon-Reece Michalowski, Alyce Skeates, Chamia Ivanica, Giuseppe Triulcio, Louise Horobin, Natasha Colliver

Elementary 1: Alessandra Triulcio, Ashley Colliver, Katrina Norwood, India Nette, Katie Rattigan

Elementary 1 Dance: India Nette

Elementary 2: Angella Jheun, Grace Mullins, Tiana Ivanica, Katrina Norwood

Primary: Madison Murray

As of Jan 1st new Test papers for the judges are being used to fall in line with the IJS (ISU International Judging System).

Thursday Test dates

The dates booked for this year are: **March 5th, April 2nd, May 7th and October 1st.**

Up-to-date information can always be found on the website. SAISA is negotiating further Test dates

Judging Panel for Tests

The judging panel for this year is:

Bob Battersby, Senior
Ruzena Baranikova, Senior
Tara O'Connor, Senior
Kelly Binelli, Elementary 2
Cathy Dickman, Elementary 2

Policies

The following guidelines have been updated and can be found on the website:

- **Competitions and Championships**
- **Tests**

SAISA Feedback Form

To continually improve our service to all our stakeholders we need your feedback. A form has been created and is available from the website. You can use this for complaints, suggestions, praise or comments. All issues raised are dealt with fairly, promptly, confidentially and without retribution

Member Protection Policy

The ISA Member Protection Policy for all States is now available on the website

SA Skate

The last weekend in March is the date (**28th & 29th**). This is 2 weeks before OTC so it will be a good practice for those heading interstate

SA Skate Sub-committee

Volunteers are needed to help run this competition. Please let either Kym Broad at Noarlunga, or Danielle Feleppa at Thebarton, know if you can help. Or, send SAISA an email. A meeting of volunteers will be held on **Mon 16th Feb** at 7.30pm in the Hamra Centre library meeting room, Brooker Tce, Hilton

Governance Review

A meeting will be held in the library room of the Hamra Centre on Brooker Tce Hilton at 7.30pm on the **23rd of February** to go through aspects of the Constitution. All members welcome. Just let the secretary know you are coming

DVDs of SA Skate

Please indicate on the entry form whether you are interested in purchasing the Official DVD. Because of continuing difficulties in policing video permits and complying with child protection regulations permits will no longer be issued, starting after SA Skate

Interstate Competitions

Congratulations to India Nette for her 1st place at Summer Trophy in Solo Dance (and the award of the Ray Patterson Shield) as well as 1st place in Elementary 1 Ladies 11 & under and 2nd place in her division at Le Patinage Artistic

OTC (Olympic Trophy Challenge) is coming up on **11th April** and Dragon's (Dragon City Trophy) on **17th April**. The links and entry forms for interstate competitions can always be found on the SAISA website as soon as they are available. The National competition calendar can also be found there

Nationals 2010

The Australian Figure Skating Championships will be moved to the December timeframe from 2010 onwards. This change is a very positive step towards helping ISA athletes and their coaches to align training plans with the international skating season and improve Australia's international results

ISA AGM

Will be held on **25th April** at Sport's House, Olympic Park, Sydney

Anti-Doping and Therapeutic Use Exemption Forms

All Skaters wishing to skate at Interstate Competitions and National Championships at any level need to be aware of the changes to the ISU & ISA anti-doping policies. This applies to all medication including over the counter and health supplements. Also energy drinks ie: Red Bull and Mother contain banned substances. For more information on the new policies and TUE's please refer to the ISA web site (a link is provided on the SAISA website) or contact SAISA to speak with Kym Broad

Dairy Dates

SA Skate **28-29th March**

SA State Championships **7-9th July**

March Test applications are due by **11th Feb**
April Test applications by **11th March**

Nationals:

Synchro **15-16th August** at Penrith

Singles, Pairs and Ice Dance,

17th-22nd August at Canterbury, NSW