

Good Afternoon Members,

Here are the latest OSSA news updates. If you have difficulty reading this message it can be viewed at speedskatingontario.org under the [email news archive](#).

- **Congratulations** to the OSSA members that have been named to National Teams!
 - [Jordan Belchos](#) – Markham – [National Development Team, Long Track](#)
 - [Ivanie Blondin](#) – Gloucester Concorde – [National Development Team, Short Track](#) and [Long Track](#)
 - [Kristina Groves](#) – Ottawa Pacers – [National Team, Long Track](#)
 - [Richard MacLennan](#) – Sault Ste. Marie - [National Development Team, Long Track](#)
 - [Christine Nesbitt](#) – London – [National Team, Long Track](#)
 - OSSA expects to have several skaters on the 2018 Talent Squads and will congratulate them when they are formally announced by Speed Skating Canada.
- In addition to hosting Coaching Clinics and a summer camp the Gloucester Concorde are hosting an **Officials Level 1 Clinic on August 22nd**. If you are interested in attending this clinic please contact odc@speedskatingontario.org.
- We have extended the deadline for accepting nominations for the **Vice President of Coaching and Officiating** position. Please fill out a [nomination form](#) and send it to OSSA by Friday July 23rd.
- A big **thank you** to all of the OSSA members who volunteered their time at the Speed Skating Canada Annual General Meeting held last weekend. You were all outstanding and represented us well!
 - Camille Bean
 - Gail Bouchette
 - Lucille DeHaître
 - Vincent DeHaître
 - Kathie Gauthier
 - Michelle Gauthier
 - Rocky Lamontagne
 - Jake Maarse
 - Samantha Morrison
 - Emily Rendell-Watson
 - Hayley Roberts
 - Isabelle Weidemann
 - Michael Wood
- The Board of Directors is proud to announce that **OSSA will be providing financial support** to one official per club to attend the 2010 Speed Skating Canada Officials Symposium which will be hosted September 24th - 26th, in Montreal. Prior to the start of symposium there will be a level III referee clinic and a meet coordinators clinic. If an official or club is interested in more details on how to take advantage of the financial support from OSSA please contact odc@speedskatingontario.org. For further information including a registration form and schedule see: www.speedskating.ca/symposium.cfm. Registration is due by August 24th.
- New [Board Meeting minutes](#) have been posted.

We are sad to share the news that an OSSA member passed away on Monday July 5th. Dave Ramsden was a valuable member of the Kingston Striders club and their Head Coach for many years. Dave will be remembered fondly and our thoughts are with his wife Fran and daughter Denise.

At this time no information regarding memorial services is available. If you would like to be notified when it is please contact ideschenes@speedskatingontario.org.


Ongoing

- **SPOTS FILLING FAST!!** Anyone looking to participate in the 2010 OSSA Summer Camp to be hosted by the Gloucester Concordes August 23 – 27 should send in their registration soon. Don't miss this opportunity to receive instruction from the top coaches in the province! For details, or to submit your [registration form](#) please email kaelliott@ripnet.com.
- The **coaching courses** to be held in August are also filling up fast. If you would like to be a participant in the FUNdamentals A or Introduction to Competition Part A on August 21st you must submit your [Course Registration Form](#) by mail, email or fax soon. The course fee for first five coaches that sign up for either of these courses who also volunteer for the duration of the OSSA camp will be waived.
- There are also courses being held later in August and in September, if you are interested in these please submit your [Course Registration Form](#) by mail, email or fax.
- Camp Mentorship program applications are available. [Click here for details](#). Applications are due July 15th.
- Attention all beginner and novice skaters aged 5-12 – there's a camp for you too! It will be held August 28th – 31st in Waterloo. [Click here for more information!](#)
- Call for nominations! Coaches of Canada is looking for nominees for the Jack Donohue "Coach of the Year" Award and the Sheila Robertson Award. For more information check their [website](#).

Please let us know if you would like to be removed from this mailing list.

Regards,

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