Sectional Championships

WESTERN CANADIANS

S. E. ANGUS

Trail Skating Club

Saturday, January 15, 1949, marked a very successful conclusion to the Third Annual Competition of the Western Canadian Figure Skating Championships held at Trail, B. C., under sponsorship of the Trail Skating Club.

While the entry list was not as large as that of the previous year, competition was

exceptionally keen.

In the Senior Ladies' event Jeane Matthews, Vancouver SC, once again retained her title. Sonja Currie, an eleven-year-old from the Glenora Club of Edmonton, gave a very fine performance to place second. Roger Wickson, University Hill FSC (Vancouver), repeated once more his very fine performance to retain his Men's Senior title, far exceeding the average of 7.5 required in the case of a single entry in an event. Rosemary Henderson of the Winnipeg WC came from behind in the school figures to give a brilliant free skating exhibition and capture the Junior Ladies' title, although closely pressed by petite Dianne Williams of the Glencoe Club, Calgary. David Spalding, Connaught SC (Vancouver), easily obtained marks in excess of the minimum requirement for a single entry to gain the Men's Junior Championship.

The Ladies' Novice Class with an entry of six brought out some very close competition. The winner, Mary Alice Munro of the Wascana WC of Regina, showed outstanding skill at school figures and exceptional ability at free skating. In the Men's Novice Class, Bill Corson, Vancouver SC, skated to victory in both school figures

and free skating.

The De Witt twins, Jean and Joan, appear better each year and for the third successive time won the title in the Ladies' Pairs. In the Senior Mixed Pair event David Spalding and Pearle Simmers of the Connaught SC, present holders of the Canadian Junior Pair title, gave a sparkling exhibition to obtain easily more than the minimum marks required.

There were four entries in each of the dance events. Stan Angus and Connie Shutek of the Trail SC won the Waltz and Tango. The Foxtrot was won by David Spalding and Pearle Simmers, Connaught SC, while the Fourteenstep was won by Ron Beattie and Mrs. Paul Gavrilik of the Trail SC.

Entertainment during the stay of the visitors included a dinner with the Trail Kinsmen Club for all visitors on Thursday evening; luncheon for the various club representatives as guests of the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada, Ltd., at noon Friday; a bus trip and a most impressive moonlight view of the new Red Mountain Ski Tow at Rossland early Saturday evening; and the Trail Skating Club reception at the conclusion of the Saturday night events with presentation of trophies and medals by Dr. H. N. Knight, President of the Western Section, CFSA.

SENIOR LADIES

 Jeane Matthews, Vancouver SC
 Sonja Currie, Glenora SC 3. Frances Abbott, Winnipeg WC

SENIOR MEN

1. Roger Wickson, University Hill FSC

JUNIOR LADIES

 Rosemary Henderson, Winnipeg WC
 Dianne Williams, Glencoe Club 3. Diane Henderson, Connaught SC

JUNIOR MEN

1. David Spalding, Connaught SC

NOVICE LADIES

- 1. Mary Alice Munro, Wascana WC
 2. Betsy Ann Landru, Wascana WC
 3. Patsy Quest, Queen City FSC
 4. Joan Bergman, Winnipeg WC
 5. Wendy Egbert, Glencoe Club
 6. Betty Kaltenburner, Queen City FSC

NOVICE MEN

- 1. Bill Corson, Vancouver SC Marshall Garrett, Vernon FSC
 Albert Curtis, Trail SC
 Jimmie Head, Glencoe Club

SENIOR PAIR

1. Pearle Simmers & David Spalding, Connaught

LADIES PAIRS

Jean & Joan de Witt, Wascana WC
 Angeline Puckall & Jane Tinsley, Queen City

WALTZ

- Connie Shutek & Stanley Angus, Trail SC
 Mrs. P. Gavrilik & Ron Beattie, Trail SC
 Pearle Simmers & David Spalding, Connaught
- 4. Jeane Matthews & Bill Corson, Vancouver SC

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 Pearle Simmers & David Spalding, Connaught
- 3. Mrs. P. Gavrilik & Ron Beattie, Trail SC 4. Jeane Matthews & Bill Corson, Vancouver SC

FOXTROT

- 1. Pearle Simmers & David Spalding, Connaught
- Connie Shutek & Stanley Angus, Trail SC
 Jeane Matthews & Bill Corson, Vancouver SC
 Mrs. P. Gavrilik & Ron Beattie, Trail SC

FOURTEENSTEP

- Mrs. P. Gavrilik & Ron Beattie, Trail SC
 Connie Shutek & Stanley Angus, Trail SC
 Jeane Matthews & Bill Corson, Vancouver SC
 Pearle Simmers & David Spalding, Connaught

MID-WESTERNS

H. KENDALL KELLEY

Cleveland Skating Club

FOR THE SEVENTH TIME in the last eleven years, the Mid-Western Championships were held at the Cleveland Skating Club. Dates were Friday and Saturday, February 4 and 5.

Several features of the competition were new or different. First was the unusually large entry list: 108 skaters, or 26 more than the previous high record for Mid-Westerns at this club. Second was the inclusion of the Juvenile class. While this class has been held in other competitions, it was our first time here in the Mid-Westerns. It attracted an entry list of 16 girls which made a nice event. The boys were more bashful, however, and there were no entries.

This year no schedule of events was laid out or published ahead of time; the Competition Announcement was sent out five weeks in advance without any time schedule of events. This eliminated one of the troubles frequently encountered: last minute changes in a tentative schedule. Of course, an accurate schedule cannot be prepared until the volume of entries has been determined, and the final schedule is usually radically different from any that is

estimated without entry facts. changes usually mean retarding instead of advancing events, and since we had an unexpectedly large entry list, it was fortunate that only a final schedule was published as only two days were allowed for the competition. The referees kept the competition very close to schedule, a fact appreciated by skaters and spectators.

The new modified open judging system was used. As all skaters in a class finished one figure, judges sheets were collected and sent to the accountants and the judges marked the next figure on a new sheet. Judges made no complaint about this The accountants (or off-duty method. judges) figured the points and posted them on the new Master Record Sheets, one copy of which was hung along the wall on a long wire with spring clothes (Bulletin boards were not big enough to accommodate seven of these large Master Record Sheets.) The skaters and the public seemed to catch on to the system quickly, although few understand the method of determining final placings because they have not studied Competition Rule 29 (see USFSA Rulebook). There was a crowd around the sheets at all times and comments were generally favorable.

Neither of the defending Senior Champions was present. Ginnie Baxter and Hayes Jenkins, both National Junior Champions, were entered in the Worlds and were not able to be here at this time. Nevertheless, each Senior event was a good competition. In the Ladies' Senior, Margaret Anne Graham, Tulsa FSC, won in a closely contested class against five other excellent skaters, every one of whom seemed to be of National Senior calibre. Marlyn Thomsen, St. Paul FSC, led the Men's Senior at the end of the school figures, and then increased his lead by skating a brilliant free skating program so well as to earn the highest marks given in the whole competition. Janet Gerhauser and John Nightingale won the Senior Pairs with a well-skated program which had good content, proper balance, style and finish. Jane Schellentrager and Louis F. Cody, Cleveland SC, won the Senior (Silver) Dance over three other skillful dance couples. The Cleveland Skating Club Memorial Trophy was presented to the Tulsa FSC, the club winning the greatest number of points in all events of the Mid-Westerns.

SENIOR LADIES

- Margaret Anne Graham, Tulsa FSC
 Slavka Kohout, Chicago FSC
- Janet Gerhauser, St. Paul FSC
 Helen Geekie, St. Louis SC
 Faris Nourse, Chicago FSC
 Carol Olsen, Chicago FSC

SENIOR MEN

(The Cleveland Skating Club Trophy)

- Marlyn Thomsen, St. Paul FSC
 Barry Gorman, Broadmoor SC
 Charles Brinkman, Broadmoor SC
 John Nightingale, St. Paul FSC

JUNIOR LADIES (Raymond Cup)

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 1. Mary Louisa Haas, Tulsa FSC
 2. Nancy Mineard, Akron SC
 3. Miggs Dean, Detroit SC
 4. Sonnie Gene Murray, Tulsa FSC
 5. Patsy Herrick, Cleveland SC
 6. Dalimira Hanus, Chicago FSC
 7. Joanne Will, Chicago FSC
 8. Cynthia Hanson, WC of Indianapolis
 9. Roberta Cook, Tulsa FSC
 10. Jane Fleming, St. Paul FSC
 11. Antoinette Abell, Cleveland SC
 12. Betty Lynne Stogner, Dallas FSC
 13. Betsey Todd, WC of Indianapolis
 14. Audrey Rose Hodges, Hiawatha SC
 15. Shirley M. Swensen, St. Paul FSC
 16. Eleanor Anne Bond, WC of Indianapolis
 17. Yvonne Kieck, Milwaukee FSC
 18. Caryl Johns, Milwaukee FSC

JUNIOR MEN

- 1. Hugh C. Graham, Jr., Tuksa FSC
 2. Robert Keyes, Cleveland SC
 3. David Jenkins, Cleveland SC
 4. Arnold Savage, St. Paul FSC
 5. John Carlow, Chicago FSC
 6. Jerry Redfern, Tuksa FSC
 7. Richard Branvold, St. Paul FSC
 8. Martin Coonan, St. Paul FSC
 9. Howard Butler, Fort Worth FSC
 10. George Scragg, Jr., Cleveland SC
 11. Jack W. Woodstrom, Fargo-Moorhead WC

NOVICE LADIES

- 1. Beverly Young, Cleveland SC
 2. Jane E. Holmes, Chicago FSC
 3. Sylvia Beth Sundene, Chicago FSC
 4. Kay Servatius, Broadmoor SC
 5. Lucille Ash, Broadmoor SC
 6. Roberta Vermillion, Junior FSC of Kansas City
 7. Lois Tosch, Chicago FSC
 8. Betty Ann Manners, Junior FSC of Kansas
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 Marjorie Ann Robinson, Hiawatha SC

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 Caronlee Casey, Chicago FSC

 Bernice Moore, Akron SC

 Mary Trenkamp, Cleveland SC

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 Marylyn Hulsizer, Tulsa FSC

 Minneapolis

 Martha McCaskey, Cleveland SC

 Leantte Lust, Cleveland SC

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 Lane Lahiff, FSC of Minneapolis

 Canol Jean Gumbetter, Detroit SC

 Meverly Ann Lokar, Detroit SC

 Susie Johnston, Broadmoor SC

NOVICE MEN

- Gary Kepler, Akron SC
 William Nicholas, St. Paul FSC

- 2. William Nicholas, St. Fau FSC
 3. Don Cooper, Broadmoor SC
 4. Joseph Nook, Cleveland SC
 5. Dick Potticary, Chicago FSC
 6. Jerry Woodstrom, Fargo-Moorhead WC
 7. Hal DeCourcey, Wintergarden FSC of St.
- Louis
- 8. William Rance, FSC of Omaha 9. David Arnold, Cleveland SC

JUVENILE LADIES

- 1. Margaret Trenkamp, Cleveland SC

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 Mimi Heman, St. Louis SC
 Marilyn Wright, Cleveland SC
 Barbara Hulsizer, Tulsa FSC
 Merilyn M. Nielsen, FSC of Minneapolis
 Barbara Johnston, Broadmoor SC
 Judy Baer, Akron SC
 Anne Rankin, Cleveland SC
 Ann Daniels, Cleveland SC
 Elizabeth Wilson, Chicago FSC
 Margaret Ellen Jonsson, Dallas FSC
 Susan Davis, Akron SC
 Mary Ann Dorsey, St. Paul FSC
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 Gladys Irene Jacobs, Chicago FSC
 Carol Zeta Houser, Akron SC
 Mary Frances Hays, Arena FSC of Cleveland

SENIOR PAIRS

(Radix Pair Cup)

- 1. Janet Gerhauser & John Nightingale, St. Paul FSC
- Nancy Mineard, Akron SC, & Charles Brinkman, Broadmoor SC
 Renee Clark & H. Wm. Lang, Arena FSC of Cleveland

JUNIOR PAIRS

(Metternich Trophy)

- Mary Louisa Haas & Jack Woodstrom, Tulsa FSC
- Kay Crum & Gary Kepler, Akron SC
 Anne Marie Leddy & John Leddy, Rochester FSC
- 4. Gloria Kuenkel & Martin Coonan, St. Paul FSC

- Margaret Anne Graham & Hugh C. Graham, Jr., Tulsa FSC
 Ann Daniels & Joseph Nook, Cleveland SC
 Margaret Trenkamp & George Scragg, Jr., Cleveland SC
- 8. Caryl Johns & Berton Weymier, Milwaukee FSC
- Terryl Johnson & Jerry Woodstrom, Fargo-Moorhead WC
- 10. Patsy Norcross & Howard Butler, Fort Worth FSC
- 11. Mary Frances Hays & Frank Chlad, Arena FSC of Cleveland

SENIOR DANCE

(Radix Dance Trophy)

- 1. Jane Schellentrager & Louis F. Cody, Cleveland
- SC 2. Kay Crum & Gary Kepler, Akron SC 3. Mary Louisa Haas & Jack Woodstrom, Tulsa FSC
- 4. Renee Clark & H. Wm. Lang, Arena FSC of Cleveland

JUNIOR DANCE

(Rochester Figure Skating Club Trophy)

- 1. Janet Burkhead & John Glossbrenner, WC of
- Indianapolis
 2. Rowena S. Lahr & E. E. Evans, III, Cleveland SC
- 3. Terryl Johnson & Jerry Woodstrom, Fargo-Moorhead WC
- 4. Nancy Martin & John P. Anderson, Cleveland

EASTERNS

C. E. LINDSTROM

Chairman, Eastern Championships

THE 1949 EASTERN CHAMPIONSHIPS, for the second time a three-day competition, were held by The SC of Boston at the club rink, on Feb. 18, 19 & 20. "On schedule and running smoothly" was the phrase that characterized the entire Championships as the award of prizes by Club President Charles M. Rotch wound up the events late Sunday afternoon. Eight singles, two pair and three dance events were entered by a total of 83 competitors. The spectators, who crowded the rink to near capacity on Sunday afternoon, witnessed a superb show of figure skating skill, made more thrilling by the breathtaking closeness of the competition. In most of the events the skaters who were first in the school figures, although often only a hair's breadth ahead, strengthened their leads in the free skating and came out victorious.

In the Senior Ladies, 14-year-old Sonya Klopfer finished the school figures ahead of Boston's Jo Barnum (1948 National Novice Champion) by a very slight margin, and took the crown with a beautiful free skating performance which, although it contained very difficult moves, was executed in a wholly effortless and graceful manner.

Donald Jacoby edged out another Boston competitor, Dudley Richards, in the Senior Men's. Dudley, who only returned to figure skating last September following

a neck injury which kept him off the ice for over a year, finished a few points behind Don. The Syracuse competitor's free skating was powerful and sure, and was marked by many intricate jumps and spins.

Most interesting were the performances of the two Senior Pairs: 1948 Eastern Gold Dance Champions, Irene Maguire & Walter Muehlbronner, and 1948 National Gold Dance Champions, Lois Waring & Red Bainbridge, who had just captured the 1949 Eastern Gold Dance title in the morning. Although Irene & Walter, the winners, skated a surer and more difficult program, Lois & Red performed well and were very striking, both dressed in black. Lois' dress was trimmed with red and silver sequins, and Red's bow tie matched the red and silver sequinned bow on her blonde hair.

There was a very good entry list in the boys' events and the three who won should be proud of their achievements in topping such closely matched fields: Junior, George Manuel; Novice, Carl E. Lovett, Jr.; Juvenile, Peter Pender. All the boys' programs were marked by difficult spins and jumps combined with interesting footwork. The most popular costume proved to be the short mess jacket—black, white and one very handsome grey—combined with dark trousers.

Tenley Albright and Sarahann Wilson brought honor to The SC of Boston by winning the Junior and Novice titles, respectively. Eleven-year-old Sarahann, the youngest competitor in the Novice class, looked very sweet in a light blue dress with braids tied together by a blue ribbon on top of her head. The pet of the Cham-

WESTERN CANADIAN, U. S. MID-WESTERN AND EASTERN CHAMPIONS

⁽¹⁾ Tenley Albright, Eastern Junior. (2) Sarahann Wilson, Eastern Novice. (3) Sonya Klopfer, Eastern Senior. (4) Janet Gerhauser & John Nightingale, Mid-Western Senior Pair. (5) Lois Waring & Walter H. Bainbridge, Jr., Eastern Gold Dance. (6) Peter Pender, Eastern Juvenile. (7) Gloria Howley & William Lofgren, Eastern Junior Pair. (8) Irene Maguire & Walter Muehlbronner, Eastern Senior Pair. (9) Pearle Simmers & David Spalding, Western Canadian Senior Pair & Foxtrot. (10) Carol Ann Peters & Daniel Ryan, Eastern Bronze Dance. (11) Marlyn Thomsen, Mid-Western Senior. (12) Margaret Anne & Hugh C. Graham, Jr., Mid-Western Senior Lady & Junior Man. (13) Carl E. Lovett, Jr., Eastern Novice. Photo Credits: (1) Pierson Studio, Lake Placid; (2) R. Wendell Phillips, Providence; (5) Floyd H. McCall, Denver, Colo.; (6) Lew Clark, Haverford, Pa.; (7) Henry Kloss, New York; (10) Adolph Moré, Bethesda, Md.; (12) Bob McCormack, Tulsa.

pionships was tiny, dark-eyed Ellie Sonneman, nine-year-old USFSA Individual Member from New York. Ahead all the way in both portions of the Juvenile event. her free skating performance resembled a miniature version of a Senior Ladies' program. With dark brown curls dancing and yellow dress swirling she captured the hearts of all the spectators.

Much more could be written about the various competitors, the events, and the Championships in general, but the results speak for themselves. The club lounge was available as a general meeting place for the competitors. Supper was served to them there, a party with refreshments and dancing took place Saturday evening, and every effort was made to look out for their comfort. Thanks to the splendid cooperation of a very able committee, which handled everything from music and ice to hospitality and officials, most of the events were kept to schedule. Heaton R. Robertson acted as Head Referee, and Benjamin T. Wright, who served as Secretary of the committee, also assisted as a judge and announcer. The fine work of the judges and referees added immeasurably to the smoothness and success of the 1949 Eastern Championships.

SENIOR LADIES

- (The Skating Club of Lake Placid Trophy)
- 1. Sonya Klopfer, Junior SC of New York
 2. Jo Barnum, The SC of Boston
 3. Gloria Howley, The SC of New York
 4. Mimi Pong, The SC of Lake Placid
 5. Ferne Fletcher, Washington FSC

SENIOR MEN

- (Roger F. Turner Trophy)

 1. Donald Jacoby, Syracuse FSC

 2. Dudley Richards, The SC of Boston

 3. Walter Bainbridge, Jr., Washington FSC

 4. Donald Laws, Washington FSC

 5. E. Newbold Black, IV, Philadelphia SC & HS

 6. Jack B. Jost, Baltimore FSC

 7. James Philips, The SC of New York

JUNIOR LADIES

- Tenley Albright, The SC of Boston
 Betsy Lyons, The SC of Boston
 Carole J. Hoag, Brooklyn Junior FSC
 Harriet Beloft, International FSC of Phila-4. Harriet Beloin, International FSC of I delphia
 5. Eleanor Vollmer, Brooklyn Junior FSC
 6. Phyllis Krinovitz, The SC of Lake Placid
 7. Ruth Pincince, Springfield IB
 8. Rosemary Egelhofer, Rye FSC
 9. Joan Pinevia, Rye FSC

JUNIOR MEN

- (Buddy White Memorial Trophy)
 1. George Manuel, International FSC of Philadel-
- 2. George Pettinger, Jr., The SC of Lake Placid

- 3. William T. Lemmon, Jr., Philadelphia SC &
- 4. Roy Miller, Penguin FSC

NOVICE LADIES

- Sarahann Wilson, The SC of Boston
 Marion Murphy, The SC of Boston
 Carol Ann Peters, Washington FSC
 Lucille Mohrey, Penguin FSC
 Carol Johanson, Providence FSC
 Nancy Smith, Washington FSC
- Namey Smith, Washington FSC.
 Jennifer Crimmins, Individual Member USFSA.
 Lu Ann Elliott, Brooklyn Junior FSC.
 Norma McCullagh, Rye FSC.
 Dolores Behan, The SC of Lake Placid.

NOVICE MEN

- (Joseph Zirkelbach Memorial Trophy)
 1. Carl E. Lovett, Jr., Baltimore FSC
 2. Robert E. Goodfellow, Jr., Rye FSC
 3. Hugh Seaman, Rye FSC

TUVENILE GIRLS

- 1. Ellie Sonneman, Individual Member USFSA

- Elie Solnieman, Inevivata Member OSFSA
 Shirley Workman, New Haven SC
 Carol McConville, The SC of Boston
 Constance Tobriner, Washington FSC
 Rosemary Crowley, The SC of Boston
 Sandra Miller, International FSC of Philadel-

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JUVENILE BOYS

- Peter A. Pender, Philadelphia SC & HS
 C. Bruce Brackett, Baltimore FSC
 William Kerr, Jr., The SC of Boston

SENIOR PAIRS

- (Ruth Parkinson Memorial Trophy) 1. Irene Maguire & Walter Muehlbronner, Metropolitan FSC
- Lois Waring, Baltimore FSC, & Walter Bain-bridge, Jr., Washington FSC

JUNIOR PAIRS

- Gloria Howley & William Lofgren, The SC of New York
- 2. Lucille Mohrey & Roy Miller, Penguin FSC
- 3. Pat McVey & Carl E. Lovett, Jr., Baltimore FSC
- Norma McCullagh & Robert Goodfellow, Jr., Rye FSC
- 5. Hazel & Joseph Sullivan, Providence FSC
- Mary Alice Platt, New Haven SC, & Edwin Platt, The SC of Boston
- 7. Leona Kowall & Hugh Seaman, Rye FSC

GOLD DANCE

- Lois Waring, Baltimore FSC, & Walter Bain-bridge, Jr., Washington FSC
 - Irene Maguire & Walter Muehlbronner, Metro-politan FSC
- Phyllis Schroeder & Samuel Stokes, Jr., The SC of New York
- 4. Gloria Howley & Harold Hartshorne, The SC of New York

SILVER DANCE

- 1. Vera Elliott & Rex Cook, Metropolitan FSC
- Vera Halliday & Edward Picken, Washington FSC
- 3. Dorothy Rudy, Washington FSC & Jack B. Jost, Baltimore FSC
- 4. Ferne Fletcher & Donald Wilson, Washington FSC

- 5. Ann Walsh & Sidney Reiss, Metropolitan FSC
- 6. Lucille Mohrey & Roy Miller, Penguin FSC
- Evelyn Carroll & Neal Holland, The SC of Boston
- 8. Dorothy Carroll & David Peak, The SC of Boston

BRONZE DANCE

- Carol Ann Peters & Daniel Ryan, Washington FSC
- 2. Ethel & Louis Adler, Brooklyn FSC
- Pat McVey & Carl E. Lovett, Jr., Baltimore FSC

Competition Marks

Competition results are published in Skating as they are announced at the completion of each championship. Results are not official until they have been reviewed and approved by the Chairman of the USFSA Competitions Committee. Approval of results as published, or corrections discovered upon review, will be announced in later issues when released by the Chairman of the USFSA Competitions Committee.



Do You Know ...

If a skater can accept money for taking photographs of skaters?

I AM A MEMBER of the Double Edge FSC and also make a hobby of photography. Recently I was asked to take some pictures of our skaters for carnival publicity. They have offered to pay me. Can I accept payment and keep my amateur standing? Francis Films.

(See answer on Page 42)

From a Referee's Notebook

HENRY M. BEATTY

President, USFSA

After watching skaters in a good many competitions, it has become apparent that some suggested "Do's" and "Don'ts" might be helpful.

Do

Be ready ahead of the time scheduled for your event in order to take full advantage of practice or warm-up period. Remember that schedules can only be approximate.

Be alert for your call out of the practice

patch.

Select your ice anywhere within the area prescribed by the Referee, regardless of where the Judges may be standing. The Judges will move to your location.

When ready to start, look to the Referee for a signal. It is his responsibility to

check the Judges.

Wear a neat costume and have clean boots. Heavy gloves or mittens convey an impression of awkwardness.

Start and end figures in a good position. If in doubt as to the number of times a figure has been repeated, skate until the Referee has indicated completion.

Don't

Although permissible, it is not advisable to lay out a figure on a line in the ice. The line will exaggerate slight errors in the location of turns, etc.

Don't worry if stopped by the Referee for starting on the wrong foot. The Judges

mark only the correct figure.

It is not advisable to "skate through" the center of a figure at completion. This "skating through" often results in a long flat.

Don't examine your own figure or frown at the result. Whether good or bad, it it too late to change it.

