

2023/2024 Season Information Pack



Caroline Skating Club



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Background:

The Caroline Skating Club is a non-profit organization offering low cost, non-competitive skating lessons. The goal is for our club to provide youth a way to participate in a physical activity in an atmosphere of fun, cooperation and fair play.

Programs:

Pre-Skate (starting at age 3)

Introduction to skating through games and songs. Child must be potty trained and be able to follow direction.

Learn to Skate A&B

Basic skating skills through interactive activities and an introduction into the next level, Fun Skate (non-competitive Figure Skating). Coach will determine skill levels to see if child should be in Fun Skate rather than Learn to Skate.

Fun Skate

Non-Competitive Figure Skating skills. The coach also offers one on one coaching. Coach will determine skill levels to see if child should be in Learn to Skate rather than Fun Skate. There are two Fun Skate levels, Preliminary and Junior.

Schedule and Fees:

Program	Days	Time	Start Date	End Date	Fee
Pre-Skate (3 and up)	Tues/Thurs	3:45-4:15	October 10	March 7	\$100
Learn to Skate	Tues/Thurs	4:30-5:15	October 10	March 7	\$150
Preliminary Fun Skate	Tues/Thurs	5:30-6:45	October 10	March 7	\$200
Junior Fun Skate	Tues/Thurs	7:00-8:30	October 10	March 7	\$250

Additional Fees:

\$100 Bond per child and is returnable if your volunteer bond units are met

Please make cheques payable to Caroline Skating Club.

E-transfers accepted to Carolineskatingclub@gmail.com

Kidsport: Please visit www.kidsportcanada.ca/alberta/apply-for-assistance/

We believe that no kid should be left on the sidelines and all should be given the opportunity to experience the positive benefits of organized sports. KidSport™ provides support to children in order to remove financial barriers that prevent them from playing organized sport.

How does KidSport help?

- KidSport provides grants to children from families facing financial barriers so they can participate in registered sport programs.
- KidSport supports programs that provide the child with a sustained sport experience led by qualified instructors.

Who is eligible to receive a KidSport grant?

- Families that are on a low income, unemployed, on AISH, currently receiving income support through provincial government are all considered eligible.
- KidSport considers social and economic barriers facing the child's family when determining eligibility.

Annual General Meeting: Will be held in person Wednesday October 25th at 7pm

A representative for each member (registered child) must be present for this meeting. Please send a representative to speak on your behalf in your absence (another skating parent works). Annual General Meeting participation by all members is mandatory as part of our society bylaws.

EXTRA Activities (planned and coordinated by Parent Volunteers):

Christmas Party – December 19th - After School (Santa and Family Skate)

Show Off Day – February 19th 2024 kids get to show off all of their skills to family and friends

Carnival – March 10th 2024 – volunteering mandatory for Bond Return

Awards Ceremony – Date to be Determined

Caroline Skating Club Bond Units		
Fundraiser	Units	Notes
Fundraiser	increments of 10	Increments of 10 based on sales (key posted below)
Christmas Party Coordinators	40	For each coordinator
Parade Float Volunteer	40	September long weekend, points can be carried forward
Bulletin Board	30	Keep the Arena Bulletin Board Neat and up to date
Meat Draw Coordinator	40	Organize volunteers and make sure meat is purchased and supplies is ready for the volunteers on the Saturday
Meat Draw Volunteers	20/ per worker	To work meat draws for about 3.5 hours and submit everything back to the meat draw coordinator in a timely manner
Meetings	10	Annual General Meeting is mandatory/ 10 per meeting attended
Bullorama Volunteer (TBD)	40	In spring after skating over, points can be carried forward
Website Maintenance	20	Position - looking for someone to develop and keep up to date
Executive Member	50	President/Vice President/Treasurer/Secretary
Directors	30	Active Participating
Additional Volunteer Activities		Units assigned as opportunities arise

*Every "family" requires 100 units to get bonds back (if you have more than one kid in skating you just need 100 units)

*Fees to the Caroline Skating Club must be paid before Bonds will be returned

Fundraiser Bonds	10 Units up to \$50
	Sold
	20 Units \$50 to \$75 Sold
	30 Units \$75 to \$100 Sold
	40 Units \$100 to \$125 Sold
	50 Units \$125 to \$150 Sold
	60 Units \$150 to \$175 Sold
	70 Units \$175 to \$200 Sold
	80 Units \$200 and above Sold

Fundraising:

The casino and carnival are 2 items that are in addition to creating your 100 bond

points.

Discussed at the AGM. We will have multiple fundraising activities throughout the year.

- Yeti and Booze Raffle – November 16th to December 19th (draw date) pick up is for one week or to make arrangements with the coordinator. Tickets and money are due back to coordinator as of December 14, 2023.
- Meat Draws (one Saturday per month starting in October)
- Casino 2024 – March 27 & 28, 2024
- Others? To be discussed

Bond Units: Every family needs 100 Bond Units/season to Earn their Bond Back

Casino Fundraiser is a mandatory item to receive bonds back.

Carnival is also a mandatory event to receive bonds back. If any further questions please ask executive to clarify

Rules and Regulations:

- Helmets are required for all skaters in Pre-Skate and Learn to Skate and must be CSA approved. Bike helmets are NOT allowed. See below for Fun Skate Rules
- Children should be dressed appropriately for the temperature on the ice. It is cold and younger children should have proper winter coats, snow pants and mitts/gloves. All children no matter their age must have mittens or gloves.
- There are no refunds for snow day cancellations or no school days. If there is no school or weather makes roads unsafe to travel, the executive will make a decision on whether or not to cancel lessons for that night. Notice will be provided on the Caroline Skating Club FaceBook Page and on Caroline Skating Clubs Team Snap
- **FUN SKATE RULES** – Parents please re-enforce these with your children
 - Hair must be pulled back into a ponytail
 - Only members approved by the coach and with a signed helmet waiver can skate without a helmet
 - No gum

- No jeans
- Bring a water bottle
- Please go to the washroom before going onto the ice
- Please no big bulky gloves as coach needs to see hand movements
- When not in one on one lesson skaters must be practicing. Disruptive behavior will not be tolerated, and skaters may be asked to leave the ice.
- Get on the ice...on time! Failure to be on ice on time may results in loss of one on one coaching time that day.
- **Parent Responsibility:** Our coaches must remain on the ice with the children for insurance purposes and as such they are unable to get off the ice to be with your child if they need to leave the ice surface. Please ensure you have a designated guardian available at the arena to assist your child should something happen during the lesson.
- **Refunds:** The skating club may, at times, need to cancel lessons for situations outside of our control (extreme weather, funerals). We will make best efforts to reschedule makeup lessons but at times this is not possible. No refunds will be provided for these unfortunate and unplanned events.

Keep in Touch

- A valid email address and cell phone number is required for any parent who wishes to be notified of any upcoming events or cancellations.
- Please ask to join the Facebook Page **Caroline Skating Club Members Only Page** this is a member's only Facebook Page and the best way to communicate with everyone in one space
- Our other platform of communication is via TeamSnap
- Any questions or concerns should be directed to your Caroline Skating Club executive
- E-mail Carolineskatingclub@gmail.com

Important Dates:

Annual General Meeting - October 25th 8pm

Christmas Party – December 19th

Christmas Break – December 20th and RETURN Tuesday, January 9th

Show Off Day – February 19th 2024 - completely voluntary not mandatory

Carnival – March 10th 2024

Awards Ceremony – To be determined