

Welcome Back! September 2017 eNews and Updates
You are receiving this email because you have expressed an interest in Alberta Speed Skating.
Don't forget to add info@aassa.ca to your address book!



AB Speed Skating Welcome Back! eNews

Ready or Not, the Speed Skating Season is Upon Us!

Volunteers and Officials

We would like to congratulate the following Alberta Officials who have been granted new levels by SSC. Thank you to these and all Alberta Officials, as well as the AASSA Officials Development Committee for their efforts in continuously developing skilled talent to run speed skating competitions in Alberta and beyond.

Sam Pollock - Level 3 Track Steward
Nicole Cooney - Level 3 Competitors Steward
Mark Poulin - Level 3B Starter
Luc Cote - Level 3 Timer - Electronic
Kim Bates - Level 3B Starter
Bruce Thorpe - Level 3B Referee
Yuriko Boyce - Level 3 Clerk of the Course



Preparations for the 2019 Canada Winter Games in Red Deer are in motion!

If you are interested in volunteering for speed skating events at the 2019 CWG, please contact Shawna Pearman (spearman@telusplanet.net) and let her know:

- 1) what volunteer position you are interested in doing at the CWG, and
- 2) for Short Track or Long Track (if you have a preference). Thanks in advance!

Alberta will be hosting many local, provincial and national speed skating events this year. Check out the Alberta Speed Skating calendar online (in excel and in the Google Calendar) and please consider volunteering for some events. We can't run the events

without you and volunteering can be a lot of fun! For Olympic Oval events, there is a volunteer sign-up sheet here: <http://oval.ucalgary.ca/competitions>

The Alberta Speed Skating Officials Development Committee are planning some Officials Clinics for various levels this season. If you have any particular requests or questions about how things work, please contact officials@aassa.ca or info@aassa.ca

Clubs

Registrations are well underway. Congratulations to clubs for offering Try-Speed-Skating sessions. These are established channels to attract new skaters and their families. If you would like help with ideas for these activities, or if you would like broader publicity for any of your events, please let us know.

Club Memberships will need to be entered into the SSC MMS database to validate skaters and officials, and for insurance purposes, etc. If you require assistance with MMS or related processes, please contact info@aassa.ca

We will send out membership fee invoices to Clubs soon, but if you would like to submit fees based on your current estimate now, we can reconcile the amounts later in the season. Thanks!

Alberta Speed Skating Promotional Posters are available at:
<http://www.albertaspeedskating.ca/30-clubs/151-promotional-posters>

Courtesy Notice: Special Offer for Alberta Speed Skating Clubs
PinPowerPlus is offering free shipping for AASSA-associated Club Members for patches, pins, medals and lanyards (minimum order, 100). Contact: 403.475.0939 or info@pinpowerplus.com for more information.

Alberta Speed Skaters

For our elite skaters, training started in the spring, and competitions are well underway, with new Personal Bests (PBs) already in place. The Olympic Oval hosted a LT time trial with 180 skaters, and a ST single distance meet (the fourth SDS since July) this past weekend. The following photo is of Mike Marshall, Alberta Speed Skating's Technical Director, with some of AASSA's High Performance Program Long Track skaters at the Sept. 16th LT Trials.



The LT Fall Classic will be in Calgary this coming weekend (Sept. 21-24) with most of Alberta's and Canada's top long-trackers competing with visiting international skaters. The ST Oktoberfest competition in Calgary will be early this year (Sept. 29 - Oct. 1) and will be a tune-up for important national ST meets beginning in late-October and early-November.

For younger skaters, training is underway and competitions will be starting soon too, featuring local meets as well as the 2018 Alberta Winter Games in Wood Buffalo in February, and for our northern skaters, the Arctic Winter Games in March 2018. Combined with the Olympics in February, it will be a busy and exciting winter!

The Olympic Short Track Provisional Team has been named, and these skaters will compete for Canada at the fall World Cups, aiming to secure Canada relay team spots, and a full individual team roster to the February Olympic Games. See the SSC site for more information, including team biographies.

Contact Mike Marshall, Technical Director, if you have any questions or suggestions: technicaldirector@aassa.ca

Upcoming Events Schedule

September 2017

- LT Fall Classic, Olympic Oval, Sept. 22nd-24th
- ST Western Elite Circuit #1 / Oktoberfest, Olympic Oval, Sept. 29th-Oct. 1st

October 2017

- LT Time Trials, Oct. 7th, Olympic Oval
- ST Ellis Edge Camp, Oct. 7th-8th, Canmore
- LT Fall World Cup Selections, Oct. 19th-22nd, Olympic Oval
- ST Medicine Hat Meet (all ages), Oct. 21st to 22nd, Medicine Hat
- ST Inter-Continental Invitational, Olympic Oval, Oct. 27th-29th

November 2017

- ST Canadian Open National Qualifier, Olympic Oval, Nov. 2nd-5th
- ST Peace River Meet (all ages), Nov. 4th
- ST Red Deer Meet (all ages), Nov. 4th
- ST AB T2T Single Distance Championships (CanWest Qualifier #1), Edmonton, Nov. 10th-12th
- LT CanAm Meet, Olympic Oval, Nov. 17th-19th
- ST Peace Wapiti Meet (all ages), Nov. 25th
- ST Rocky Mountain House (all ages), Nov. 25th
- LT Time Trials, Olympic Oval, Nov. 25th-26th

Meet results:

Olympic Oval: <http://oval.ucalgary.ca/competitions>

National Events and Rankings / SSC: <http://www.speedskating.ca/>

Alberta Speed Skating Club meet results will be posted on the Alberta Speed Skating web site as soon as possible after the events.

Suggestions and Feedback?

We are currently updating our communication channels. We would appreciate feedback and suggestions on style, content, timing, etc., for the web site, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, eNews, etc. Contact Kristine via communication@aassa.ca

Editor: Kristine Pederson, VP Communications | AB Speed Skating | 403.220.7911
| communication@aassa.ca | www.albertaspeedskating.ca

STAY CONNECTED:



Alberta Speed Skating, 2500 University Drive NW, Calgary, Alberta T2N 1N4 Canada

[SafeUnsubscribe™ {recipient's email}](#)

[Forward this email](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [About our service provider](#)

Sent by info@aassa.ca in collaboration with

Constant Contact 

Try it free today