

2012 HODAG SKATE CLASSIC

Basic Skills Competition

An approved USFSA Event

Saturday, March 31, 2012

Hosted by the Rhinelander Figure Skating Club

Rhinelander, WI

This is an open competition

A member of the Wisconsin Basic Skills Series



* ENTRIES MUST BE POST MARKED BY MARCH 1, 2012*

Rules: This competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules set forth in the 2011-2012 edition of the USFSA Rulebook.

Events: Skater must skate at least at the highest level passed by March 1, 2012 and may skate up one level. Events include Snow Plow Sam, Basic 1-8, Limit Beginner, Beginner, Pre-preliminary and Preliminary compulsory moves and free skate as well as Preliminary and Pre-bronze dance.

Entries and Fees: Completed entry forms must be postmarked by March 1, 2012. Entries received postmarked after this date will be accepted only as space permits and must be accompanied by a \$20.00 late fee. Entry Fee is \$45.00 for the first event and \$20.00 for each additional event. No refunds will be issued after March 1, 2012, unless an event is cancelled due to lack of entries. **The Rhinelander Figure Skating Club reserves the right to limit entries by event based on postmark prior to the deadline, if estimated skating time exceeds available ice time.**

Please make checks payable to: **RFSC**

Mail to: Alison French
6194 Velvet Lake Road
Rhinelander, WI 54501

Practice Ice: Participants may reserve practice ice by completing the enclosed form. Program music will not be played on practice ice.

Registration: The registration desk will be located at the entrance of the Rhinelander Ice Arena. The registration desk will open prior to the first practice. Competitors must check in at the Registration Desk upon arrival.

Music: Music will be reproduced through the rink sound system from CDs furnished by each competitor. Only one song on the CD to play. All music must be turned in by each skater at least one hour prior to competing. Skaters should bring a back-up copy of their free skate music and have it at rink side.

Computation of Results: The closed system of judging will be used in all events.

Events/Awards: All events will be final rounds. Medals for beyond the basics events will be awarded for all placements. Every skater in basic skills events will receive a medal. The skater is responsible for picking up award(s) during awards ceremonies. Awards will not be mailed to the skater. Skaters will be placed in groups according to age and skill level.

ELIGIBILITY RULES FOR PARTICIPANTS

The competition is open to ALL skaters who are current eligible (ER 1.00) members of either the Basic Skills Program and/or are full members of U.S. Figure Skating. To be eligible, skaters must have submitted a membership application or be a member in good standing. Members of other organizations are eligible to compete but must be registered with the host Basic Skills Program/Club or any other Basic Skills Program/Club.

Eligibility will be based on skill level as of closing date of entries. All SNOWFLOW SAM and BASIC SKILLS SKATERS THROUGH BASIC 8 must skate at highest level passed and NO official U.S. Figure Skating tests may have been passed including MIF or Individual Dances.

Skaters in other events may skate at highest level passed OR one level higher BUT not both levels in the same event during the same competition. For Test Track levels, eligibility will be based only upon highest free skate level passed (moves in the field test level will not determine skater's competitive level). For events that are "Beyond the Basics" (Beginner, Pre-Preliminary and Preliminary) the US Figure Skating Rulebook # 1032 applies.

Please note: If a skater competes at a non-qualifying competition in a "Beginner or No Test" category, then that skater must compete at the equivalent or higher level in a Basic Skills approved competition.

Directions: The competition will be held at:

Rhineland Ice Arena
2021 E. Timber Drive
Rhineland, WI 54501
715-369-1416

(Do not send entries to this address)



BASIC ELEMENTS EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

Format: Each skater will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee or have the option to perform one element at a time in the order listed below (no excessive connecting steps). Referee driven format examples: all skaters perform first element before moving on to the next and so on **OR** each skater performs all of the required elements before moving on to the next skater

- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 sheet of ice
- No Music
- **All elements must be skated in the order listed**
- Time 1:00 or less

<p><u>Snowplow Sam</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3-in a row 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row 	<p><u>Basic 5:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward outside edge on a circle - clockwise or counterclockwise 2. Backward crossovers 4-6 consecutive - both directions 3. Basic One foot spin –free leg held to side of spinning leg minimum of three revolutions 4. Side Toe hop -either direction 5. Hockey stop
<p><u>Basic 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles - 6 -8 in a row 3. Forward snowplow stop 4. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row 	<p><u>Basic 6:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside 3-turn - R & L 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward spiral on a straight line R or L 4. Lunge - R or L 5. T-stop - R or L
<p><u>Basic 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one foot glide - either foot 2. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line -2-3 each foot 3. Moving snowplow stop 4. Two foot turn in place - forward to backward 5. Backward two foot swizzles - 6 - 8 in a row 	<p><u>Basic 7:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R 2. Ballet Jump either direction 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position - clockwise and counter clockwise 4. Forward inside pivot
<p><u>Basic 3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 4-6 consecutive 3. Backward one foot glide - either foot 4. Forward Slalom 5. Two foot spin – minimum three revolutions 	<p><u>Basic 8:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside 3 turns R and L 2. Waltz jump 3. Mazurka - either direction 4. 1 Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise - two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one-foot upright spin, free foot held to side of spinning or crossed position – minimum three revolutions
<p><u>Basic 4</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward outside three-turn – R & L 2. Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise 3. Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions 4. Backward stroking 4-6 strokes 5. Backward snowplow stop - R or L 	

BASIC PROGRAM EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM – BASIC 8

- The skating order of the required elements is optional. The elements are not restricted as to the number of times the element is executed or length of glides, number of revolutions, etc. unless otherwise specified.
- To be skated on full ice
- Vocal music is allowed
- The skater may use elements from a previous level
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- Time: 1:00 +/- 10 seconds

<p><u>Snowplow Sam</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. March followed by a two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 2-3 in a row 3. Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 5</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Backward crossovers 4-6 consecutive in both directions 2. Basic one-foot spin – free leg held to side of spinning leg – minimum of three revolutions 3. Side toe hop – either direction 4. Hockey Stop
<p><u>Basic 1</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward two foot glide and dip 2. Forward two foot swizzles 6-8 in a row 3. Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row 4. Forward snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 6</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill forward inside three-turn – R&L 2. Bunny Hop 3. Forward arabesque spiral on a straight line R or L 4. Lunge – R or L 5. T-stop - R or L
<p><u>Basic 2</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward one foot glide – either foot 2. Two foot turn in place – forward to backward 3. Backward two foot swizzles 6-8 in a row 4. Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line – 2-3 each foot 5. Moving snowplow stop 	<p><u>Basic 7</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Standstill inside open Mohawk – R to L and L to R 2. Ballet Jump – either direction 3. Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise 4. Forward inside pivot
<p><u>Basic 3</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward stroking 2. Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 4-6 consecutive 3. Backward one foot glide – either foot 4. Forward slalom 5. Two foot spin-minimum three revolutions 	<p><u>Basic 8</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moving forward outside or forward inside three-turns R & L 2. Waltz Jump 3. Mazurka in either direction 4. 1 Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise -two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step down, cross behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge 5. Beginning one foot upright spin – free foot held to side of spinning leg or crossed position – minimum three revolutions
<p><u>Basic 4</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Forward crossovers 4-6 consecutive both directions 2. Standstill forward outside three turn –R&L 3. Backward stroking - 4-6 strokes 4. Backward snowplow stop R or L 	

BEYOND THE BASICS EVENTS

Test Track and Well Balanced Compulsory Events

Format: In program form, using a limited number of connecting steps, the skating order of the required elements is optional.

- To be skated on ½ ice; no music allowed
- The skater must demonstrate the required elements and may use any additional elements from previous levels
- A .2 deduction will be taken for each element performed from a higher level
- *Skaters may have the option to skate one level higher in compulsories than their free skate program*

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Limited Beginner Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waltz jump 2. ½ jump of choice 3. Forward two foot or one foot spin, minimum three revolutions (free leg position optional) 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	Time: 1:15
Beginner Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Toe loop jump 2. Salchow jump 3. Forward scratch spin- minimum three revolutions 4. Forward or backward spiral 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests	Time:1:15
No Test Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Loop jump 2. Jump combination to include a toe loop (may not use a loop or Axel) 3. Solo spin- sit or camel spin - minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skate badge tests, no official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests passed	Time:1:15
Pre- Preliminary Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Flip jump 2. Jump combination waltz jump/toe loop jump OR Salchow/toe loop jump 3. Solo spin- sit or camel spin - minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. 	Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test	Time :1:15
Preliminary Compulsory	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Lutz jump 2. Single jump combination (may not use Lutz jump or Axel) 3. Camel spin- minimum three revolutions 4. Spiral sequence- must include a forward and backward spiral. Additional spirals and balance moves may be included. 	Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test	Time :1:15

Test Track Program Event

Skaters may enter EITHER the new test track free skate program or the well-balanced track free skate program but NOT both during the same nonqualifying competition. Competitors will skate to music of their choice, vocal music permitted. The 6.0 judging system will be used for all Test Track events.

Deductions WILL be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description.

- 0.1 from EACH mark for each technical element included that is not permitted in the event description.
- 0.2 from the technical mark for each extra or lacking element.
- 0.1 for anyspin with less than required revolutions.

LEVEL	Jumps	Spins	Steps	Qualifications
<p>Limited Beginner</p> <p>Time: 1:30 +/- 10</p>	<p>Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front).</p> <p>Jump sequences are allowed.</p> <p>Max 5 jump elements.</p> <p>Max 2 jump sequences</p> <p>Max 2 of any same jump</p>	<p>Two upright spins, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min 3 revolutions)</p> <p>Max 2 Spins</p>	<p>Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.</p>	<p>Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests</p>
<p>Beginner</p> <p>Time: 1:30 +/- 10</p>	<p>Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop)</p> <p>Single rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop only.</p> <p>Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.</p> <p>Max 5 jump elements.</p> <p>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</p> <p>Max 2 of any same jump</p>	<p>Two upright spins, change of foot optional, no flying entry (Min 3 revolutions)</p> <p>Max 2 spins</p>	<p>Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.</p>	<p>Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating Basic Skills free skating badge tests</p>
<p>Pre-Preliminary Test</p> <p>Time: 1:30 +/- 10</p> <p>****</p>	<p>Jumps with not more than one-half rotation (front to back or back to front including half-loop)</p> <p>Single rotation jumps: Salchow, toe loop and <u>loop</u> jump only.</p> <p>Jump combinations and sequences with the above jumps are allowed.</p> <p>Max 5 jump elements.</p> <p>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</p> <p>Max 2 of any same jump</p>	<p>Two of a different nature, one position only, no change of foot, no flying entry (Min 3 revolutions)</p> <p>Max 2 spins</p>	<p>Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.</p>	<p>Skaters may not have passed tests higher than U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test</p>
<p>Preliminary Test</p> <p>Time: 1:30 +/- 10</p>	<p>Jumps with not more than one rotation (no Axels).</p> <p>Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.</p> <p>Max 5 jump elements.</p> <p>Max 2 jump combinations or sequences</p> <p>Max 2 of any same jump</p>	<p>One spin in one position, no change of foot, no flying entry (min 3 res) and one consisting of a front scratch to back scratch, exit on spinning foot not mandatory (Min 3 revs on each foot)</p> <p>Max 2 spins</p>	<p>Connecting moves and steps should be demonstrated throughout the program.</p>	<p>Skaters must have passed at least the U.S. Figure Skating pre-preliminary free skate test but may not have passed tests higher than the preliminary free skate test</p>

Well-balanced Program Requirements (U.S. Figure Skating rulebook requirements)

LEVEL	Jumps	Spins	Steps	Qualifications
No Test Time 1:00-1:30 +/-10	Max 5 Single Jumps (no Axel) Max 2 combos or sequences Combos limited to 2 jumps, Number of jumps in sequence is not limited	Max 2 Spins must be a different nature Minimum three revolutions each Spins may change feet, position and start with a fly	Max 1 Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	May <u>not</u> have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.
Pre-preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	Max 5 Single Jumps (Axel permitted, no doubles) Max 2 combos or sequences Combos limited to 2 jumps Number of jumps in sequence is not limited Axel may be repeated as individual jump, combo, or sequence. Max 2 Axels.	Max 2 Spins must be a different nature Minimum three revolutions each Spins may change feet, position and start with a fly	Max 1 Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-preliminary free skate test.
Preliminary Time: 1:30 +/- 10	Max 5 1 Axel or Waltz jump type jump Max 2 combos or sequences Combos limited to 2 jumps Number of jumps in sequence is not limited Only 2 different double jumps may be attempted (double Salchow, toe or loop only) Axel and no more than 2 different double jumps may be repeated as individual jumps, combos, or in sequences. Max of 2 Axels or any double jump	Max 2 Spins must be a different nature Minimum three revolutions each Spins may change feet, position and start with a fly	Max 1 Straight line, circular or serpentine Must use one half the ice surface	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate test.

ARTISTIC/SHOWCASE SOLO EVENTS:

Artistic/Showcase events are open to skaters in Basic, Free Skate, Limited Beginner through Preliminary. Groups will be divided by number of entries and ages if possible. Skaters must enter at the same level as their free skate event or highest test level of skater's in the group ensemble or production number. If a free skate event is not being entered, skaters must enter at their current test level or one level higher. Vocal music is permitted.

Skaters will be judged on musical interpretation and feeling, expression, and how the skating relates to the music. Show costumes are permitted, as long as they do not touch or drag on the ice. Props and scenery must be placed and removed by unaided singles and duet competitors within one minute and by unaided ensemble contestants within two minutes for setup and two minutes for removal.

6.0 Judging will be used. Deductions will be made for skaters including technical elements not permitted in the event description. A .2 deduction will be assessed by the referee against each judges' mark for each five seconds in excess of the time allowed for the performance, for handling props and scenery and for scenery assistance.

Categories may include:

- Light entertainment
- Dramatic entertainment
- Duets
- Small Ensembles (3-7 skaters)
- Group Production (8-30 skaters)

LEVEL	ELEMENTS	QUALIFICATIONS	PROGRAM LENGTH
Basic 1-8	Elements only from Basic 1-8 curriculum	May not have passed any higher than Basic 8 level.	Time 1:00
Limited Beginner/ Beginner	3 jump maximum. ½ rotation jumps only, plus the following full rotation jumps: Salchow and toe loop.	May not have passed any official U.S. Figure Skating free skate tests.	Time: 1:30
No Test/ Pre- preliminary	3 jump maximum. No axels or double jumps permitted.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Pre-Preliminary or Adult pre-Bronze free skate test.	Time: 1:30
Preliminary	3 jump maximum. Axels are permitted, but no double jumps allowed.	Must have passed no higher than U.S. Figure Skating Preliminary free skate or Adult Bronze test.	Time: 1:40

DANCE- Solo

You may enter one dance. If you have passed the USFSA Preliminary dance test you must enter pre-bronze dance. Number of patterns is 3 but may be adjusted by the referee.

1. Preliminary: Dutch Waltz
2. Pre-Bronze: Cha Cha

SPIN AND JUMP EVENTS

Limited Beginner through Preliminary

The spin event and jump event are **separate** events; skaters may register for one or both events. The events are open to skaters in Limited Beginner through Preliminary. Groups will be divided according to level and age. Groups may be combined based on number of registrants. Skated on half ice; 1:00 minute, no music. Skaters must compete at the same level as their free skate events: spins and jumps must be skated at the same level. No Test skaters select the most appropriate no test spin/jumps either I or II. If a no test skater is competing in both spin and jump events they must compete at the same level (Example: Both events are either no Test I or No Test II).

Spins to be skated in a simple program without music with no extra or repeated elements. Connecting moves will not be judged. Spins should be skated exactly as stated and in this order. Skaters will perform one spin at a time (no excessive connecting steps).

Jumps must be performed in the order listed. Each skater will be allowed two attempts at each jump. The judges will each select the better of the two jumps. Jumps will be skated in sequence, making consecutive attempts at each jump. Skaters will perform jump #1, then immediately make a second attempt at the same jump. In situations where a skater has an option, the first attempt will determine the jump that will be judged.

LEVEL	SPINS	JUMPS	QUALIFICATIONS
No Test I and Limited Beginner	Upright forward 2 foot spin (min. 3 revolutions) Upright forward 1 foot spin (min 3 revolutions)	Waltz Jump Waltz Jump-side toe top-waltz jump	May not have passed any official US Figure Skating Free Skate test
No Test II and Beginner	Upright forward 1 foot spin (min. 3 revolutions) Upright back 1 foot spin (min. 3 revolutions)	Salchow Either a waltz jump toe loop or toe loop, toe loop	May not have passed any official US Figure Skating Free Skate Test
Pre-Preliminary	Upright forward 1 foot spin (min. 4 revolutions) Upright back 1 foot spin (min. 4 revolutions) Forward sit-spin (min. 4 revolutions)	Loop Jump Combination of any 2 single jumps excluding loop and Axel	May not have passed any official US Figure Skating Free Skate Test higher than Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test
Preliminary	Backward sit-spin (min 3 revolutions) Forward camel spin (min 3 revolutions) Layback spin (min 3 revolutions in layback position)	Lutz Jump Combination of any jump (excluding Lutz) with a loop jump	May not have passed any official US Figure Skating Free Skate Test higher than Preliminary Free Skate Test

Artistic Solo:

_____ Basic 1	_____ Basic 5	_____ Limited Beginner
_____ Basic 2	_____ Basic 6	_____ Beginner
_____ Basic 3	_____ Basic 7	_____ No Test
_____ Basic 4	_____ Basic 8	_____ Pre-Preliminary
		_____ Preliminary

Dance

_____ Dutch Waltz _____ Cha Cha

ENTRY FEE: \$45 per event, \$20 per each additional event

First Event = \$ 45

Number of additional events _____ @ \$20 each = \$ _____

TOTAL EVENT FEE = \$ _____

PRACTICE ICE: \$10.00 per session, Saturday March 31, 2012

Place an X for each session you are interested in.

_____ 7:00-7:30 _____ 7:30-8:00 _____ 8:00 – 8:30 _____ 8:30 – 9:00

TOTAL FOR EVENT(S) AND PRACTICE ICE = _____

The completed 2 page entry form, with payment, must be mailed and postmarked no later than March 1, 2012

Make check or money order payable to **RFSC** and mail to:

Alison French
6194 Velvet Lake Road
Rhineland, WI 54501

Schedules will be sent to those who enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. We will email confirmations and schedules to anyone with a valid email address.

For additional information contact Alison French preferably via email at petdocfrench@gmail.com or for those without email, may call Alison at 715-550-9911.

ENTRY FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE AFTER THE ENTRY DEADLINE UNLESS AN EVENT IS CANCELED.

Certification of Competitor: The Competitor is eligible to enter the events checked. It is agreed that the competitor and family holds the Rhineland Figure skating club and the Rhineland Ice Arena harmless from any and all liability either during practice or the competition, and from any and all liability for damages to or loss of property.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date** _____

Competitor Signature _____ **Date** _____

Instructor Signature _____ **Date** _____

Program Director/Club Officer _____ **Date** _____