



# Ice Skating Australia

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## Decisions and Actions of the ISA Board – July 2006

Since the 2006 ISA AGM, the new Board has been very busy implementing the new organisational structure. The Board held two Teleconferences during May and met face-to-face over the 3 day Long Weekend in June in Sydney.

The Board has now established a regular monthly reporting cycle with the Operational Directors, who will report at the end of each month. A Board Meeting (Teleconference) will be held in the first week of each Month. Operational Directors will be invited to attend the Board Meeting where appropriate.

The Board is pleased to announce the appointment of Norman Dean as Operational Director of Marketing, Promotion and Sponsorship effective June 12, 2006.

At the same time the Board is sad to announce the resignation of Kevin Jones as Treasurer, effective July 31, 2006. Due to increased business commitments, Kevin is unable to continue as ISA Treasurer. ISA would like to thank Kevin for his many years of service and wish him well for the future.

The following is a summary of key decisions and actions taken by the ISA Board during their first three months in office:

1. The Board developed a Media Release on the new Organisational Structure. This was published on the ISA web site and distributed to key stakeholders.
2. ISA President Cathy Taylor attended the Annual General Meeting of Australian Olympic Committee (AOC) in Sydney and a reception for the 2006 Winter Olympians. Jo Carter was recognised at this event and attended together with her mother Carol and Coach Galina Pachin.
3. The new Board continued negotiations with the AOC regarding the inclusion of Figure Skating in the Australian Youth Olympic Festival (AYOF) in Sydney in January 2007. The official agreement was signed in May. Since then the Board has approved:
  - The appointment of Michael Santer as the Competition Director – Figure Skating for the AYOF
  - The appointment of Jo Carter as the Figure Skating Ambassador for the AYOF
  - The appointment of Melina Simjanovic as Figure Skating Team Manager for the AYOF
  - The announcement of the Figure Skating Venue for the AYOF which will be held at the Sydney Ice Arena in Baulkham Hills
  - The AYOF Selection Policy as published on the ISA web site

4. Board Members, Cathy Taylor and Alan Blinn attended the 51<sup>st</sup> Ordinary ISU Congress in Budapest, Hungary. At the Congress Australia presented views on several key proposals and we are pleased to report that our recommendations were all accepted by the Congress.
5. The Board ratified the nomination of candidates for ISU Seminars in Frankfurt in July, proposed by the Operational Director of Judging & Officials, Susan Lynch. Candidates accepted by the ISU for these seminars were provided some additional funding from ISA. The Board is very pleased to report that all Australian candidates passed their exams and would like to congratulate Tony Jonikis (International TC Synchronized Skating), Robyn Burley (International TS Singles), Monica MacDonald (ISU TS Ice Dancing) and Madonna Randall (ISU TS Synchronized Skating).
6. The Board approved the new International Selection Policy as presented by the Operational Director of High Performance, Melina Simjanovic. This Policy has been published on the web site and sent to all athletes who have nominated for international competition for the 2006-2007 season.
7. The Board sanctioned "Torvill and Dean's Dancing on Ice" and granted permission for and Mark Storton to participate.
8. The Board endorsed the use of the ISA Logo in a Children's Book promoting various Sports including ice skating. More details can be found at [www.sports4kids.com.au](http://www.sports4kids.com.au).

**Cathy Taylor**  
**President**  
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