



Ice Skating Australia

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Oceania Development Camp

Ice Skating Australia (ISA) is pleased to provide additional information about the Oceania Development Camp – a joint initiative between the National Federations of Australia, New Zealand and Singapore – to fast track the development of young skaters in this region to an international Junior level. The Camp will also provide a unique opportunity for Coaches to collaborate and share ideas.

The pilot Oceania Camp will take place in Brisbane, from Monday, October, 26 – Friday, October 30 at Iceworld Boondall with International Coach, Cynthia Ullmark. It is the first camp of its kind in this region and will form the basis for future development programs.

The National Federations (NFs) of Australia, Singapore and New Zealand have agreed to contribute a third of the total camp cost as an investment in the development of our sport in the Oceania region. It is the intention of the NFs to approach the International Skating Union (ISU) and also our respective governments for on-going funding of the program, which would include camps and a series of inter-country competitions within the region.

ISA has also requested financial support from the Australian Professional Skater's Association (APSA) as a key partner in this development program.

After the contributions from the NFs and APSA, the direct camp cost will be \$750 AUD per skater. This cost includes airfares, airport transfers, billet accommodation and all meals. Please note that all travel bookings must be made through ISA and any alternative accommodation arrangements made will be the responsibility of the individual family involved and will not be reimbursed. All enquiries should be directed to the Operational Director of Junior Development, Sue Cobden (suecobden@ozemail.com.au)

ISA is requesting each State Association to contribute a minimum of \$250 per skater. Any State Association that is unable to contribute this amount is asked to please advise the ISA Secretary, Sue Shelley (secretary@isa.org.au) by Wednesday, October 21st, 2009.

ISA would also encourage all Clubs to assist their skaters with Camp costs if possible.

**ISA Board of Management
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