

Dear ISA Board

Please accept my sincere apologies for my absence at the AGM. I'm currently returning from Oceania international competition and my flight arrangements were booked well in advance and could not be altered at the time of my nomination.

I ask Ice Skating Australia to accept and consider my nomination for the High Performance Chair as I feel I could be an asset to helping the ISA committee with the growth of figure skating in Australia.

I began skating in Moscow, Russia at the age of 4. I was a competitive figure skater in Men Singles skating until about the age of 13, where despite having the majority or triple jumps and double axel, it was decided by my association/club that I change to dance due to my height. I skated competitively in Dance, representing both Russia and Lithuania respectively before moving to Australia, who I also represented internationally. I have been a citizen of Australia for the last 25 years.

I started coaching 20 years ago and in that time, working with my wife Maria, I have had students at all levels. All my students I have proudly been trained from the beginner and I have taken them through all test levels, state, national and international competitions.

Soon after beginning coaching, I also began running Cockburn Ice Arena's Learn To Skate program. This is not just teaching Learn To Skate but in an administrative position in which, I built from scratch the database for our participants to keep track of enrolments, passed elements, issuing achievement certificates, reports and making classes.

I also do a similar job as Update Points Officer on APSA. Where again, in an administrative role I built a database to keep an order of all our members to ensure update points, first aid and working with children requirements are obtained and recorded.

I also serve as a member of our state coaches association as VP to help in any way I can.

I am an ISU technical specialist and am usually in attendance at all Australian benchmark events either as a coach, or technical specialist or both.

I am proficient at website development and maintenance, the creation of databases and data input. I believe with my skills and experience I can be an asset to the ISA committee and I can help with the way we collect and store the data of our members and improving our ranking system.

Having athletes at all levels and having 20 years of experience bringing those skaters through the ranks from beginner to senior, I believe I can have an input on how we can continue to better develop athletes and to keep them improving and succeeding in our sport.

Kind Regards,
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