



2003 Traverse City Cherry Classic

Hosted by Twin Bays Figure Skating Club

June 6th and 7th 2003

USFSA Sanctioned

The first annual "Traverse City Cherry Classic" Figure Skating competition will be held at the Centre Ice Arena, 1544 Hammond Road East, Traverse City, MI 49686, beginning Friday, June 6, and ending Saturday, June 7, 2003. No admission fee will be charged.

RULES - The 2003 Traverse City Cherry Classic will be conducted in accordance with the rules set in the 2003 edition of the USFSA Rulebook. Requirements for Intermediate through Senior Short Program events will be those announced by the USFSA for 2003-2004.

ELIGIBILITY - The competition is open to all amateurs or reinstated amateurs who are USFSA members, and shall be eligible to enter events based on test status as of April 5th, 2003. Beginning through Pre-Juvenile skaters will be grouped by birth date.

EVENTS - Low Beginner through Senior freestyle, Juvenile through Senior Short Programs, Lo beginner through Pre-Juvenile compulsory, Spins, and Solo Dance events are all final rounds only.

AWARDS - Medals will be awarded through fourth place in all events. There will be no final rounds in any events. Ribbons will be awarded for fifth through eighth places. In addition, a points trophy will be awarded to the club that accumulates the most points during the competition. Points are awarded according to the skaters' first through fourth placements in all events. To qualify for this award, skaters must represent and be a registered member of their home club for 2003-2004, and an authorized official from the club indicated on the entry form must certify their entry form.

ENTRIES AND FEES - All entries must be postmarked no later than April 18th, 2003. Late entries will be accepted by the discretion of the committee and will include an additional late fee of \$20.00. Entry fees are per person, per event, U.S. Dollars. There will be a \$30.00 service fee assessed if the skater enters the wrong event and has to be changed. A \$25.00 service fee will be assessed for returned/NSF checks. If these fees apply they must be paid before the skater competes.

REGISTRATION - The official registration desk will be located in the lobby and will be open from the start of competition until the close of competition each day. **COMPETITORS MUST CHECK IN AT THE REGISTRATION DESK AT LEAST ONE HOUR BEFORE THEIR EVENT.**

OFFICIAL NOTICES - An official bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby. Posting of schedules and announcements thereon shall constitute sufficient official notice for competitors, coaches, and officials. Check the official bulletin board immediately upon arrival for any changes in event time.

MUSIC - Will be reproduced through the arena sound systems on CASSETTES OR COMPACT DISCS furnished by the competitor. Cassettes and CDs must be clearly marked with the competitor's name on the side to be played. All competitors must have additional copies of their music available as back-up during their event. It is highly recommended that all competitors use the 5-minute cassette tapes for the best sound quality.

OFFICIAL ARENAS - All practice ice and competition events will take place at Centre Ice Arena, 1544 Hammond Road East, Traverse City, MI 49686. The two ice surfaces measure 85' x 200'. The facility has locker rooms, ample parking and a concession area.

PRACTICE ICE - Practice ice will be available starting on Thursday, June 5th, 2003. All practice ice sessions will run twenty minutes at a charge of \$7.00 per session/person. Practice ice will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. A complete practice ice schedule will accompany each competitor's confirmation, and reservations can be mailed in, with appropriate fees, at that time. PRACTICE ICE WILL NOT BE SOLD OVER THE PHONE OR BY FAX.

Freestyle

Skaters may skate one level higher than their current test level. Freestyle programs should follow rules and limitations for a balanced program (SSR 6.00). Additional restrictions are included below.

Low Beginner: 1½ minutes

Open to skaters who have not passed their Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test or its equivalent. May include any half revolution jumps plus salchows, toe-loops, and half-loops. May not include flying spins, combination spins, or back spins.

High Beginner: 1 ½ minutes

Open to skaters who have not passed their Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test or its equivalent. May include any half revolution jumps plus salchow, toe-loop, half-loops, and loops. May not include flying spins.

Pre-Preliminary Limited: 1 ½minutes

Open to skaters who have passed their Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test and no higher. May not include axels, double jumps, or flying spins.

Preliminary Limited: 1 ½ minutes

Open to skaters who have passed their Preliminary Free Skating Test and no higher. May include axels. May not include double jumps or flying spins.

Preliminary: 1 ½ minutes

Open to skaters who have passed their Preliminary Free Skating Test and no higher. Axels plus up to two different double jumps.

Pre-Juvenile: 1 ½ minutes

Open to skaters who have passed their Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Test and no higher. Axel plus up to four different double jumps.

Juvenile: 2 ¼ minutes

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skate Test and no higher. Must be 12 years or younger as of May 5th, 2003.

Open Juvenile: 2 ¼ minut es

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skate Test and no higher. Must be 13 years of age or older as of May 5th, 2003.

Intermediate: 2 ½minutes

Open to skaters who have passed the Intermediate Free Skate Test and no higher.

Novice: Ladies – 3 minutes; Men – 3 ½ minutes

Open to skaters who have passed the Novice Free Skating Test and no higher.

Junior: Ladies – 3 ½minutes; Men – 4 minutes

Open to skaters who have passed the Junior Free Skating Test and no higher.

Senior : Ladies – 4 minutes; Men – 4 ½ minutes

Open to skaters who have passed the Senior Free skate Test and no higher.

Compulsory Events

Skaters may skate one level higher than their current test level. Men and Ladies events may be combined. Field moves and connecting steps between elements are allowed. All events will be skated on half ice. No Music. **Axels are considered a single jump unless other wise noted.**

Low Beginner: 1 minute or less.

Open to skaters who have not yet passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test.

Required Elements: Waltz Jump
½Flip Jump
Two foot spin
Lunge

High Beginner: 1 minute or less.

Open to skaters who have not yet passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test.

Required Elements: Waltz Jump/Toe Loop Combination
Salchow or Loop Jump
Forward One Foot Scratch Spin
Forward Spiral

Pre-Preliminary: 1 ¼ minutes or less.

Open to skaters who have passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test and no higher.

Required Elements: Single Jump (no axels, and may not be repeated in combination)
Single/Single jump combination (no axels)
Forward One Foot Scratch Spin (min 4 revolutions)
Forward Spiral Sequence (min 2 spiral positions)

Preliminary: 1 ½ minutes or less.

Open to skaters who have passed the Preliminary Free Skate Test and no higher.

Required Elements: Single Jump (may not be repeated in combination)
Single/Single jump combination (no axels)
Step Sequence
Back Scratch Spin

Pre-Juvenile: 1 ½ minutes or less.

Open to skaters who have passed the Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Test and no higher.

Required Elements: Single Jump (may not be repeated in combination)
Single/Single jump combination (must include a loop jump)
Combination Spin with only one change of foot, no change of position (may not commence with a jump, min 4 revolutions each foot)
Forward Camel Spin (min 4 revolutions)
Step Sequence

Short Program

Open Juvenile: 1 minute 40 seconds or less with music. Same requirements as Juvenile Short.

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skate Test and no higher. Skaters must be 13 years or older as of May 5th, 2003.

Juvenile: 1 minute 40 seconds or less with music.

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skate Test and no higher. Skaters must be 12 years or younger as of May 5th, 2003.

Required Elements: Single/Single or Single/Double combination (no axel)
Axel Jump
Lutz Jump
Solo Spin (min 4 revolutions in position, may not commence with a jump)
Combination Spin with one change of foot and one change of position. (min 4 revolutions each foot)
Step Sequence (straight line, circular, or serpentine)

Intermediate: 2 minutes.

As stated in the 2003 USFSA Official Rulebook (SRR 3.00)

Novice: 2 ¼ minutes.

As stated in the 2003 USFSA Official Rulebook (SRR 3.00). Elements for the 2003-2004 competitive season.

Junior: 2 minutes 40 seconds.

As stated in the 2003 USFSA Official Rulebook (SSR 3.00). Elements for the 2003-2004 competitive season.

Senior: 2 minutes 40 seconds.

As stated in the 2003 USFSA Official Rulebook (SRR 3.00). Elements for the 2003-2004 competitive season.

Spins

Skaters may skate one level higher than their current test level. Men and Ladies events may be combined. Field moves and connecting steps between elements are allowed. All events will be skated on half ice. Spins may be skated in any order.

Pre-Preliminary: 1 ½minutes or less.

Required Elements:

One Foot Scratch Spin (min 3 revolutions)

Sit Spin (min 3 revolutions)

Back Scratch Spin (min 3 revolutions)

Step Sequence

Spiral, Spread Eagle, or Bauer

Preliminary: 1 ½minutes or less.

Required Elements:

Sit Spin (min 4 revolutions)

Camel Spin (min 4 revolutions)

Back Spin (min 4 revolutions)

Step sequence

Spiral, Spread Eagle, or Bauer

Pre-Juvenile: 2 minutes or less.

Required Elements:

Camel Spin (min 4 revolutions)

Combination Spin with one change of foot, no change of position (may not commence with a jump, 4 revolutions each foot)

Ladies – Layback, Men – Sit Spin (min 4 revolutions)

Step Sequence

Spiral, Spread Eagle, or Bauer

Juvenile/Open Juvenile: 2 minutes or less.

Required Elements:

Flying Camel (min 4 revolutions)

Combination Spin with only one change of foot and only one change of position. (min 4 revolutions each foot)

Ladies – Layback, Men – Camel Spin (min 4 revolutions)

Step Sequence

Spiral, Spread Eagle, or Bauer

Intermediate/Novice: 2 minutes or less.

Required Elements:

Flying Spin (min 5 revolutions)

Spin combination with only one change of foot and at least two changes of position (min 5 revolutions each foot)

Ladies – Layback, Men – Camel Spin (min 5 revolutions)

Step sequence

Spiral, Spread Eagle, or Bauer

Junior/Senior: 2 minutes or less.

Required Elements:

Flying Spin (min 5 revolutions)

Spin combination with at least two changes of feet and at least three changes of position (min 5 revolutions each foot)

Camel/Camel combination (min 5 revolutions each foot)

Step Sequence

Spiral, Spread Eagle, or Bauer

Solo Dance and Solo Original Dance

Each Dance is a separate event and is open to both men and ladies. Only two Patterns of each dance will be performed. You may enter in dances from your present test level and/or from one level higher. Medals are awarded for each individual dance event.

Preliminary: Skater must not have passed all Pre-Bronze dances.

Events: Dutch Waltz, Rhythm Blues, Canasta Tango

Pre-Bronze: Skater must not have passed all Bronze dances.

Events: Cha-Cha, Fiesta Tango, Swing Dance

Bronze: Skater must not have passed all Pre-Silver dances.

Events: Willow Waltz, Ten Fox, Hickory Hoedown

Pre-Silver: Skater must not have passed all Silver dances.

Events: Fourteen-Step, European Waltz, Foxtrot

Silver: Skater must not have passed all Pre-Gold dances.

Events: American Waltz, Rocker Foxtrot, Harris Tango

Pre-Gold: Skater must not have passed all Gold dances.

Events: Blues, Paso Doble, Kilian

Gold: Skater must not have passed all Jr. International and all Gold dances.

Events: Viennese Waltz, Westminster Waltz, Quickstep

Solo Original Dance: The general rules to the Original Dance for couples apply for solo dancers. See SSR 10.01-10.02 in the rulebook.

Low: Skater may have passed all Pre-Silver dances.

High: Skater must have passed one Silver dance or higher.

Rhythm: "Memories of a Grand Ball"

Duration: 2 Minutes \pm 10 seconds.

Special Requirements:

Step Sequence: One sequence chosen from:

- a) Circular – placed in the center of the ice and full width.
- b) Straight Line – through the middle and covering the full length of the ice surface.
- c) Diagonal – skated from corner to corner diagonally across the ice surface.

Spin: Only one dance spin with a minimum of two revolutions on one foot. A change of foot with more revolutions is optional.

Stops: Two stops are permitted though not in the step sequence. One may be at the start of the program and the other during the program. Stops may not be longer than 5 seconds. Stops are not mandatory.

Jumps: No more than 2 half revolution jumps are permitted.

Music: Vocal music is permitted. Music must have a rhythmic beat throughout.

Marking: Two marks will be given as described for couples OD with the exception of unison. See SSR 10.11.

Certification of Club Officer

I certify that _____ (skater) is in good standing with the USFSA club being represented and that the test level indicated is true and correct.

Signature Of Club Officer: _____ Title: _____

Name of Club: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Waiver of Claims for Injury

I fully release, discharge, and covenant not to sue the U.S. Figure Skating Association, its Member Clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, and any sponsors and advertisers of any USFSA sanctioned event in which I participate (each considered one of the Releasees herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages, arising out of gross negligence of, or intentional, willful or wanton misconduct of Releasees. If I or anyone on my and/or minor child's behalf, makes a claim which does not arise from the gross negligence of, or intentional, willful or wanton misconduct of Releasees against any of the Releasees, I will indemnify, defend, save, and hold harmless each of the Releasees from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I acknowledge that I have read this release, waiver of liability and express assumption of risk agreement and fully understand it.

Signature of Parent/guardian or competitor if over 18: _____ Date: ____/____/____

Entries must be post marked by April 18th, 2003

***Mail form and fees to: TC Cherry Classic
C/O Nancy Chereskin
746 Quail Ridge Dr.
Traverse City, MI 49686***

*****Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope in order to receive a copy of the schedule and practice ice forms.*****

2003 Traverse City Cherry Classic Entry form

Name of Skater: _____ Age: _____ Birthdate: _____

Home Club: _____ USFSA#: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Male ___ Female ___ Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Home Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Tests Passed: Freestyle: _____ Moves: _____ Dance: _____

Coach's Signature: _____ Print Name: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Individual Freestyle:

- ___ Low Beginner
- ___ High Beginner
- ___ Pre-Preliminary
- ___ Preliminary
- ___ Pre-Juvenile
- ___ Juvenile
- ___ Open Juvenile
- ___ Intermediate
- ___ Novice
- ___ Junior
- ___ Senior

Compulsory Events:

- ___ Low Beginner
- ___ High Beginner
- ___ Pre-Preliminary
- ___ Preliminary
- ___ Pre-Juvenile

Short Program:

- ___ Open Juvenile
- ___ Juvenile
- ___ Intermediate
- ___ Novice
- ___ Junior
- ___ Senior

Spins:

- ___ Pre-Preliminary
- ___ Preliminary
- ___ Pre-Juvenile
- ___ Juvenile
- ___ Intermediate/Novice
- ___ Junior/Senior

Solo Dance: Please write in up to six dances to be skated. **Solo Original Dance: Hi Low**

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4.	5.	6.

Entry Fees: \$65.00 First Event
\$25.00 Each Additional Event (Each dance is considered a separate event)

Make checks Payable to: Twin Bays Figure skating Club. Entries to be postmarked by April 15th 2003.

Checklist:

- ___ Entry form with USFSA Number
- ___ Club Officers signature
- ___ Check payable to TBSC
- ___ Self-addressed stamped envelope