2008 Traverse City Cherry Classic



May 30th and 31st 2008

Hosted by Twin Bays Skating Club
Sanctioned by USFS



The sixth annual "<u>Traverse City Cherry Classic</u>" Figure Skating competition will be held at the Centre Ice Arena, 1600 Chartwell Dr., Traverse City, MI 49686, beginning Friday, May 30, and ending Saturday, May 31, 2008. No admission fee will be charged.

RULES - The Traverse City Cherry Classic will be conducted in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth in the 2008 edition of the US Figure Skating Rulebook. The *International Judging System* will be used for Juvenile through senior singles short programs and juvenile through senior singles free skating; the 6.0 judging system will be used for other events. Chief Referee: Laura Maki. Planned Program Content Sheets (PPCS) – Competitors in IJS events are required to submit a planned program content sheet. The PPCS may be entered online. Go to www.usfsaonline.org and follow the instructions to complete your planned content sheet. Designate Traverse City Cherry Classic Competition to receive your form.. Once entered, a PPCS may be updated online at any time.

ELIGIBILITY - The competition is open to any eligible US Figure Skating member in good standing. Skaters shall be eligible to enter events based on their test status as of April 18th, 2008. Skaters may compete at their free skating test level or one level higher BUT NOT BOTH (except solo dance). Skaters participating in the Basic Skills events must be a member in good standing of a US Figure Skating Learn-to-Skate Program. Skaters who compete in a basic skills event are not eligible to enter any of the low beginner or high beginner events.

EVENTS - Basic Skills, Basic Beginner through Pre-Juvenile compulsory, Basic Beginner through Senior freestyle, Juvenile through Senior Short Programs, Spins, Jumps, Artistic Showcase, Solo Dance, Couples Dance, and Pairs Free Skating. All events are final rounds only. A minimum of two entries will be required for each event/flight to be scheduled. The following events may be ladies and men combined: Basic Skills, Compulsory, Low Beginner through PrePreliminary Freestyle, Spins, Artistic Showcase, and Solo Dance.

AWARDS - Medals will be awarded through fourth place in all events. Ribbons will be awarded for fifth through eighth places.

ENTRIES AND FEES - All entries must be postmarked no later than **April 18th**, **2008**. Late entries may be accepted if space permits but <u>will include an additional late fee</u> of \$30.00. Entry fees are per person, per event, U.S. Dollars. There will be a \$30.00 service fee assessed for any changes requested after April 9. A \$25.00 service fee will be assessed for returned/NSF checks. If these fees apply they must be paid before the skater competes. **No refunds will be given for any reason (including medical) after April 18** unless the event is cancelled for lack of participation. Two entries constitute a competition in any event.

<u>REGISTRATION</u> - 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.

<u>OFFICIAL NOTICES</u> – All official notices will be posted in the arena lobby near the registration area. Skaters, coaches, and officials are responsible for checking official notices for any changes in event time.

<u>MUSIC</u> – must be on CASSETTES OR COMPACT DISCS (CDs) furnished by the competitor and must be turned in at registration. Cassettes and CDs must be clearly marked with the competitor's name and event; label CDs on the case and directly on the CD with a felt tip pen. CDs must be submitted in cases. All competitors must have additional copies of their music available as back-up during their event. Cassettes and CDs should be recorded on one side/one track only. No CD/RW discs.

<u>OFFICIAL ARENA</u> - All practice ice and competition events will take place at Centre Ice Arena. 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 Friday, May 30th, 2008. All practice ice sessions will run twenty five (25) minutes at a charge of \$10.00 per session/person. Practice ice will be sold on a first come, first served basis. A complete practice ice schedule will accompany each competitor's confirmation and will be posted on the club website (www.twinbays.org). Reservations can be mailed in with appropriate fees at that time. PRACTICE ICE WILL NOT BE SOLD OVER THE PHONE, BY E-MAIL, OR BY FAX.

Free Skating

Skaters may skate one level higher than their current test level. Free Skating programs should follow rules and limitations for a balanced program (3630). Additional restrictions are included below.

Basic/Limited Beginner: 1:30 minutes

Open to skaters who have not passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test or its equivalent. May only include half jumps. May include scratch or two-foot spins.

Low Beginner: 1:30 minutes

Open to skaters who have not passed the Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test or its equivalent. May include half revolution jumps plus Salchow and Toe-Loop. May not include flying spins, combination spins, or back spins.

High Beginner: 1:30 minutes

Open to skaters who have not passed their Pre-Preliminary Free Skating Test or its equivalent. May include half revolution jumps plus Salchow, Toe-Loop, and Loop. May not include flying spins or back spins.

Pre-Preliminary Limited: 1:30 minutes

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: 1:30 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: 1:30 minutes

Open to skaters who have passed their Preliminary Free Skating Test and no higher. May include Axels and double jumps except double Axel. Max: 2 spins and 5 jump elements.

Pre-Juvenile: 2:00 minutes

Open to skaters who have passed their Pre-Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher. May include Axels and double jumps, except double Axel. Max: 3 spins and 6 jump elements.

Juvenile: 2:15 minutes

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher. Must be 12 years or younger as of the closing date.

Open Juvenile: 2:15 minutes

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher. Must be 13 years of age or older as of the closing date.

Intermediate: 2:30 minutes

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

Novice: Ladies - 3 minutes; Men - 3:30 minutes Open to skaters who have passed the Novice Free Skating Test and no higher.

Junior: Ladies – 3:30 minutes; Men - 4 minutes Open to skaters who have passed the Junior Free Skating Test and no higher.

Senior: Ladies - 4 minutes; Men - 4:30 minutes
Open to skaters who have passed the Senior
Free Skating Test.

Short Program

Age requirements are the same as those for the Free Skating events.

Open Juvenile: 2:00 minutes.

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher. Requirements same as Juvenile Short.

Juvenile: 2:00 minutes.

Open to skaters who have passed the Juvenile Free Skating Test and no higher. Axel (may not be repeated), Single/Single or Double/Single, Solo jump (single or double and may not be repeated), Solo Spin (min 4 revolutions, may not commence with a jump), Combination Spin with only one change of foot and at least one change of position (min 4 revolutions each foot), Step Sequence (straight line, circular, or serpentine).

Intermediate: 2:00 minutes.

As stated in the current US Figure Skating Official Rule book (3671).

Novice: 2:30 minutes.

As stated in the current US Figure Skating Official Rule book (3661-3662).

Junior: 2:50 minutes.

As stated in the current US Figure Skating Official Rule book (3651-3652). Elements will be for 2008-2009.

Senior: 2:50 minutes.

As stated in the current US Figure Skating Official Rule book (3641-3642).

Compulsory Events

Test requirements are the same as those listed under Free Skating. 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 single jumps unless otherwise noted.**

Basic Beginner: 1:15 minutes or less.

Forward crossovers (minimum 4 in each direction) Bunny Hop, Forward Three-turn sequence, Any stop.

Low Beginner: 1:15 minutes or less.

Waltz Jump, ½-Flip Jump, Toe-loop, Two-foot spin (min. 3 revolutions), Lunge.

High Beginner: 1:15 minutes or less.

Waltz Jump/Toe Loop Combination, Salchow or Loop Jump, Forward One-Foot Scratch Spin (min. 3 revolutions), Forward Spiral.

Pre-Preliminary: 1:15 minutes or less.

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.

Preliminary: 1:30 minutes or less.

Single Jump (may not be repeated in combination), Single/Single jump combination (no axels), Back Scratch Spin (min. 3 revolutions), Step Sequence.

Pre-Juvenile: 1:30 minutes or less.

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 5 revolutions), Forward Camel Spin (min 4 revolutions), Step Sequence.

Spins

Test requirements are the same as those listed under Free Skating. 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: 1:30 minutes.

One-foot Scratch spin (min 3 revs), Sit spin (min 3 revolutions), Back scratch spin (min 3 revs).

Preliminary: 1:30 minutes.

Sit spin (min 4 revs), Camel spin (min 4 revs), Back spin (min 4 revs).

Pre-Juvenile/Juvenile: 2 minutes.

Camel spin (min 4 revs), Combination spin with only one change of foot and no change of position (min 5 revs, may not commence with a jump), Ladies – Layback spin; Men - Sit spin (min 4 revs).

Intermediate/Novice (comb level event): 2 mins.

Flying spin (min 5 revs), Combination spin with all 3 positions and one change of foot (min 4 revs each foot), Ladies – Layback; Men - Camel spin (min 5 revs).

Junior/Senior (comb level event): 2 mins. Flying spin (min 8 revs), Combination spin with all 3 positions and one change of foot (min 6 revs each foot), Solo spin - 1 position with change of foot.

Jumps

Test requirements are the same as those listed under Free Skating. Jumps must be skated in order. The skater will perform two attempts of the first jump and then will perform two attempts of the second jump. The best jump of each will be judged. Jumps will be performed on half ice. Skater may not change the jump chosen after the first attempt.

Pre-Preliminary:

Lutz jump, Waltz/loop combination

Preliminary:

Single/single combination (no axel), Axel

Pre-Juvenile/Juvenile:

Axel, Double/single combination jump

Intermediate/Novice:

Double loop, Double/Double or Double/Single combination.

Junior/Senior:

Double Lutz, Double/Double or Double/Triple combination.

Solo Dance

Each Dance is a separate event and is open to both men and ladies. Only two Patterns of each dance will be performed, except the Fourteenstep and Kilian (3 patterns). You may enter in dances at 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.

Rhythm Blues, Canasta Tango

Pre-Bronze: Skater must not have passed all

Bronze dances.

Cha-Cha, Fiesta Tango

Bronze: Skater must not have passed all

Pre-Silver dances.

Ten Fox, Hickory Hoedown

Pre-Silver: Skater must not have passed all Silver

dances.

Fourteen-Step, Fox-trot

Silver: Skater must not have passed all Pre-Gold

dances.

Rocker Fox-trot, Harris Tango

Pre-Gold: Skater must not have passed all Gold

dances.

Blues, Kilian

Gold: Quickstep, Viennese Waltz

Couples Compulsory Dance

Skaters may compete at two levels of dance. Final dance will break a tie.

<u>Preliminary</u>: For beginning couple dancers. <u>Dances</u>: Canasta Tango and Dutch Waltz.

<u>Pre-Juvenile</u>: Both must have passed 2 Prelim. dance tests but no higher than the Pre-Bronze

Dance test.

Dances: Rhythm Blues and Cha Cha.

Juvenile: Both must have passed the Preliminary

Dance test.

Dances: 3 dances for 2008-09

Intermediate: Both must have passed the Bronze

Dance test.

Dances: 3 dances for 2008-09.

Novice: Both must have passed at least one Silver

dance test.

Dances: 3 dances for 2008-09

Pairs Free Skating

Balanced program requirements as defined in rule # 4030.

Preliminary: 1:30 minutes (4101)

Both partners must have passed the Preliminary

Pair test & no higher.

Pre-Juvenile: 1:30 minutes (4091)

Both partners must have passed the Preliminary

Pair test & no higher

Juvenile: 2:30 minutes (4081)

Both partners must have passed the Juvenile

Pair test & no higher.

Intermediate: 3:00 minutes (4071)

Both partners must have passed the Intermediate

Pair test & no higher.

Novice: 3:30 minutes (4062)

Both partners must have passed the Novice Pair

test & no higher.

Junior: 4:00 minutes (4052)

Both partners must have passed the Junior Pair

test & no higher

Artistic Showcase

Showcase events are to be skated to music of the skater's choice (the competition committee reserves the right to reject selection if deemed inappropriate). Vocal music is allowed. Open themes. Programs should entertain/move the audience. Props are allowed. Skaters have 1 minute to place and remove all props. Props must be limited to those that the skater can carry on and off the ice unassisted through the normal skater's entrance door and nothing may be used that could damage the ice surface (shaving cream, confetti, water, etc.). No props are allowed on the ice during warm-up.

Performances will be judged from an entertainment standpoint, for theatrical and artistic qualities. Technical skating skills and difficulty will not be rewarded as such; however, skating must be the major element of the performance and be of sufficient quality to support the theatrical elements chosen. Jump difficulty is not rewarded in showcase, therefore, jumps, if choreographed, should be those performed with style, flow, and confidence. Unintended falls, poorly executed skating elements and obvious losses of control will reduce contestant's marks. Theatrical elements evaluated will include energy, poise, acting, gestures, eye contact, choreography, form, extension, and the use of costumes, props, and ice.

There is no minimum time requirement. Timing starts with the first motion of the body – hand, head, skater, etc. There will be a 0.2 deduction for each 10 seconds in excess of the maximum performance time. Levels may be grouped together in order to run the event.

Test requirements for each showcase group are the same as the freestyle levels indicated

NATIONAL SHOWCASE 2008: A COMPETITION IN THEATRICAL SKATING: Singles competitors who place 1st through 4th in a singles artistic event may qualify for National Showcase 2008. Eligible skaters will have placed 1st through 4th as previously described and will have passed the Preliminary Free Skating test and above OR completed requirements for Adult Interpretive Free Skating and above. Duets and Ensembles need not qualify by placement for National Showcase. For more info, please contact Melissa Bowman (email patinage_tx@verizon.net, phone 972-208-2852), Vice Chair for National Showcase.

Low Beginner: 1:30 minutes max * High Beginner: 1:30 minutes max * PrePreliminary: 1:40 minutes max * Preliminary: 1:40 minutes max *

*No Axels or double jumps permitted

PreJuvenile: 1:40 minutes max **
Juvenile: 2:10 minutes max **
Intermediate: 2:10 minutes max **
Novice: 2:10 minutes max **
Junior: 2:40 minutes max **
Senior: 2:40 minutes max **

**Axels permitted, plus up to two different double jumps.

Levels may be combined

BASIC ELEMENTS EVENT: SNOWPLOW SAM - BASIC 8

- Each skater will have the option to perform one element at a time
 - **A.** In the <u>order listed below</u> (no excessive connecting steps) **OR**
 - B. Will perform each element when directed by a judge or referee
- To be skated on 1/3 to 1/2 ice
- No music
- All elements must be skated in the order listed
- Time: 1:00 or less

Snowplow Sam - Tots:		Basic 5:			
2. 3.	March followed by a two foot glide and dip Forward two foot swizzles 2-3 in a row Forward snowplow stop Backward wiggles 2-6 in a row	 Backward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counterclockwise Backward crossovers 6-8 consecutive - both directions One foot spin - minimum of three revolutions Hockey stop Side Toe hop -either direction 			
Ba	asic 1	Basic 6:			
2. 3.	Forward two foot glide Forward two foot swizzles 6 -8 in a row Forward snowplow stop Backward wiggles 6-8 in a row	 Forward inside three turn - R & L from a standstill Bunny Hop Forward spiral on a straight line - R or L Lunge - R or L T-stop - R or L 			
R	asic 2	Basic 7:			
1. 2. 3. 4.	Forward one foot glide - either foot Forward alternating ½ swizzle pumps, in a straight line -across width of ice Two foot turn in place forward to backward Backward two foot swizzles 6 - 8 in a row Moving snowplow stop	 Forward inside open Mohawk - R to L and L to R Ballet Jump - either direction Back crossovers to a back outside edge landing position clockwise and counter clockwise Forward inside pivot 			
Basic 3		Basic 8:			
1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Forward stroking Forward ½ swizzle pumps on a circle, either clockwise or counter clockwise 6 - 8 consecutive Moving forward to backward two foot turn - either direction Backward one foot glide - either foot Two foot spin	 Moving forward outside or forward inside three turns R & L Waltz jump Mazurka - either direction Combination move - clockwise or counter clockwise – two forward crossovers into FI Mohawk, step behind, step into one back crossover and step to a forward inside edge Beginning one-foot upright spin - optional free foot position 			
	ic 4				
2. 3. 4.	Forward outside edge on a circle clockwise or counter clockwise Forward crossovers 6-8 consecutive both directions Forward outside three turn - R & L Backward stroking Backward snowplow stop - R or L				

TRAVERSE CITY CHERRY CLASSIC SKATING COMPETITION

Competition Dates: May 30-31, 2008

AREA HOTEL LISTING

 Bay Shore Resort (Totally smoke free resort) 833 Front Street Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 935-4400 or (800) 634-4401 Deluxe Continental Breakfast

2. Traverse Bay Lodge

460 Munson Avenue Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 947-5436 or (800) 325-3386 Continental Breakfast

3. Park Place Hotel – Downtown

300 E. State St. Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 946-5000 or

email: hotel@park-place-hotel.com

4. Grand Beach Resort Hotel

1683 US 31 North Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 938-4455 or (800) 968-1992 Continental Breakfast

5. Park Shore Resort

1401 US 31, N. Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 947-3800 Continental Breakfast

6. Holiday Inn

615 East Front Street Traverse City, MI 49684 (231) 947-3700 or (800) 888-8020 7. Baymont Inns & Suites 2326 N. US 31 South Traverse City, MI 49684 (231) 933-4454 or (800) 968-4454 Continental Breakfast

8. Sleep Inn

5520 US 31 North Acme, MI 49610 (231) 938-7000 Continental Breakfast

9. Courtyard by Marriott

3615 S. Airport Rd., West Traverse City, MI 49684 (231) 929-1800 or (800) 321-2211 Hot breakfast buffet

10. Days Inn

420 Munson Avenue Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 941-0208 or (800) 982-3297 Continental Breakfast

11. Hampton Inn

1000 US 31 North Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 946-8900 Continental Breakfast

12. Quality Inn

1492 US 31 North Traverse City, MI 49686 (231) 929-4423 Continental Breakfast

2008 Traverse City Cherry Classic Entry form

Name of Skater:			USFSA #:				
Address:		City:		State:Zip:			
Birthdate:	_Age:	Male	Female	_ Partner's Name:			
Parent/Guardian:			Ho	me Phone:	E-Mail:		
Home Club:				Coach: _			
Highest Tests Pas	sed: None:	Free	style:	Dance:	Pairs:		
Individual Free Skat	e:	Shor	t Program:		Spins:		
Basic/Limited Begi	nner	Op	en Juvenile *	*	Pre-Preliminary	У	
Low Beginner		Ju	venile **		Preliminary		
High Beginner		Int	ermediate **		Pre-Juvenile/Ju	uvenile	
Pre-Preliminary		No	vice **		Intermediate/N	ovice	
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Preliminary		Se	nior **				
Pre-Juvenile		Com	pulsory:		Jumps:		
Juvenile **			sic Beginner		Pre-Preliminary	d.	
Open Juvenile **			w Beginner		Preliminary	,	
Intermediate **			gh Beginner		Pre-Juvenile/Ju	ıvenile	
Novice **			e-Preliminary		Intermediate/N		
Junior **		Dr	eliminary		Junior/Senior		
Senior **	** IJS eve	nt	e-Juvenile				
Artistic Showcase:		Jı	ıvenile		Junior		
Pre-Preliminary			ermediate		Senior		
Preliminary			vice				
Pre-Juvenile							
**Basic Skills							
Snowplow Sam		Ba	sic Three		Basic Six		
Basic One		Ba	Basic Four		Basic Seven		
Basic Two		Ba	Basic Five		Basic Eight		
Solo Dance: Please	write in up				•		
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Couples Compulsor	y Dance: (each mem	ber of a pairs	or dance team mu	ust fill out separate	forms)	
Preliminary P	re-Juv.	Juvenile	Interme	ediate Novice			
Pairs Free Skate: (ea	ach membe	r of a pair	s or dance tea	am must fill out sep	parate forms)		
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Entry Fees: \$70.00 1 \$35.00 E				Couples Dance (\$ is considered a se		Basic skills events	
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Entry form with USF Check payable to T			cation with Clui ddressed stam	b Officer's signature ped envelope	Signed	d Waiver form	

Certification of Competitor by Club Officer

I certify that(skater) is a								
being represented and is an eligible skater as defined in the official Rules of USFSA or Skate Canada.								
Signature Of Club Officer:	Title:							
Name of Club:	/_ Date:/_	/						
Coach's Ce								
I have read this entry form and certify that it is complete a events:	and that the competitor is elig	ible to enter the specified						
Coach's Name:	USFS#: F	Phone:						
Coach's Signature:	Email:							
Waiver of Claims for Injury								
I fully release, discharge, and covenant not to sue the U.S. Figure Skating, its Member Clubs, their respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, and any sponsors and advertisers of any US Figure Skating 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 I fully understand it.	iability and express assumpt	tion of risk agreement and						
Signature of Parent/guardian or competitor if over 18:		Date://						

Entries must be post marked by April 18th, 2008

Mail form and fees to: TC Cherry Classic

Cathy Shoemaker 9263 Shorter Lake Rd. Traverse City, MI 49684

For registration questions, contact Cathy Shoemaker at <u>cshoemaker@nwbank.com</u> or (231) 932-6720.

Please include a <u>self-addressed stamped #10 envelope</u> in order to receive a copy of the schedule and practice ice forms.

6th Annual Traverse City Cherry Classic Competition



May 30 & 31, 2008 Happy Ad order form

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(Maximum 3 lines) - \$10 each ad, 3 for \$25

DEADLINE: APRIL 18TH, 2008

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For questions regarding Happy or other program Ads, please contact:

Janna Gates 9276 Elk Lake Trail Williamsburg, MI 49690 (231) 218-7953 gator5some@gmail.com

GOOD LUCK SKATERS!