

November 2016



# DSSC News

Durham Speed Skating Club Newsletter

## Hot News

- Open House/TryB4
- Fundraising Activity
- Upcoming Meets

## 2016-2017 Season

Well we are officially under way in the 2016-2017 season. Many of our skaters went to the pre-season meet and had a wonderful time of racing and socializing. Congrats to all the skaters. Many new PBs were set and now we are ready to start the full season of meets ahead.



## President's Message

Membership drive and increased club visibility, fundraising and sponsorship continue to be the focus for all of us this year. I cannot emphasize enough that the decision to hold the registration fees as is meant that these efforts are very important. The registration fees do not cover the ice costs and the club has many other built-in expenses that must be covered. Working together as a team will get us there and everyone needs to participate. Thank you to those that have been building these areas and we should have a great skating season!

### 2015-2016 Executive:

President: Debbie McCulloch  
Vice-President: Carol McNair  
Coaching Director: Darryl Rowsell  
Treasurer: Chris Montgomery  
Secretary: Greig McCarter  
Public Relations/Sponsorship:  
Nicole St. Denis

### Other Members:

Fundraising  
Co-ordinator: Brenda Quesnelle

Sponsorship Co-ordinator:  
Claudine Cote-Menard

Equipment Manager: Jeremy  
Quesnelle/Brian McNair

Clothing Co-ordinator: Jennifer  
Walker

Social Events Co-ordinator:  
Christine McCarter

Registrar: Jenny Berghout

Meet Registrar: Teresa van der Pol

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## Open House and TryB4

We ran our fall open house and first TryB4 program this year on September 21<sup>st</sup>. We had an amazing turnout for both and received great feedback. Thanks to all who helped make the event a success.

We are running our next TryB4 November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## New Members

Thanks to a successful first TryB4 program, we have 6 new members to DSSC for this skating season.

Welcome to Lucas, Angelica, Evan, Jordan, Pat and Jonah. We look forward to skating with all of you.

## Mentorship

We are going to start a new program with some of our older skaters. Each week 2 skaters will be on ice help during the first hour on Wednesdays.





DSSC Skaters



*“ If you dream and you allow yourself to dream you can do anything. And that’s what this Olympic medal represents”*

*Clara Hughes*

## Upcoming Race Schedule



Now that our pre-season meet is done let the racing begin. This year we have four skaters skating in the Provincial Series.

The upcoming Provincial Series Meet are:

November 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> - Cambridge

December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> - Gloucester

For our skaters in the Regional Series, the upcoming meets are:

November 5<sup>th</sup> - Brampton

December 3<sup>rd</sup> - Markham

## Fundraising Activities

Our active fundraising team has been hard at work planning further fundraising activities for the club. Please note the following dates for fundraising:

**Boston Pizza** - November 24<sup>th</sup>

**Oshawa Generals Tickets** - our game night is January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Information and pledge sheets will be available from Brenda from November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Comedy Night** - April 1<sup>st</sup> - Harmony Creek Community Centre

This night will include a silent auction, so if you have any items or links to companies who will provide items, please give items to Brenda and her team.

## Holiday Activities

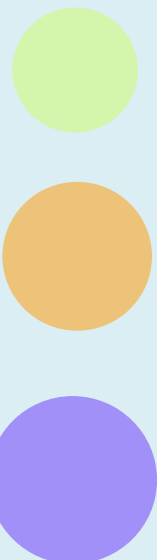
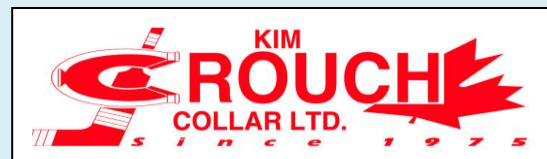
**Oshawa Santa Claus Parade** - November 19<sup>th</sup> - DSSC skaters and families will be walking in parade

**Christmas Party (Family Skate) and Potluck** - December 14<sup>th</sup>



# Sponsorship

We have revamped our sponsorship program for this 2016-2017 season. Please see our sponsorship form on our website for full details. We have received two platinum, four silver and one bronze level sponsors to date. And we would love to have more, so please seek out sponsors to help grow the club. A big thank you to all our current sponsors!!!



## Important Links

OSSA Website:  
<http://ontariospeedskating.ca>

*We're on the Web!*

[www.durhamspeedskatingclub.ca](http://www.durhamspeedskatingclub.ca)

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