

**YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THE  
2010 EAU CLAIRE FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION**

**NEWLY RENOVATED Hobbs Ice Arena**

**Eau Claire, Wisconsin**

**Sponsored by**

The Eau Claire Figure Skating Club

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U S Figure Skating

**March 12 & 13, 2010 Individual Events**

Free Skating (with Finals), Short Program, Compulsory Moves, Jumps, Spins, Artistic Skating

**Test Track Free Skate**

**Championship Events**

Intermediate, Novice, Junior, and Senior

**March 14, 2010 Synchronized Team Skating**

**CLOSING/POSTED DEADLINE Individual and Synchro Events JANUARY 15, 2010**

**New this year, Secure Online Registration: Linked from our website. [www.ecfigureskate.org](http://www.ecfigureskate.org)  
Complete Registration Materials Available on club website  
Skater and Coaches schedules will be posted on the website when schedules are complete.  
Skaters will be able to choose their own practice ice sessions online after the schedule is posted.**

**Test Session March 11, 2010 (Wednesday March 10 may be added)  
CLOSING DEADLINE Testing – FEBRUARY 2, 2010**

**Host Hotel: The Holiday Inn Campus  
2703 Craig Road, Eau Claire  
715-835-2211 or 800-472-3297**

**RATES ARE \$74.95 + tax PER NIGHT  
(ONE TO FOUR OCCUPANTS)**

**All rooms have a microwave and refrigerator. Amenities also include:  
Green Mill Restaurant & Bar, indoor pool, whirlpool, fitness and game room.**

**ROOMS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THIS RATE THROUGH  
FEBRUARY 19, 2010. Please book under the group code FIG**

**Directions from I-94: Exit 65 to Hwy 37, left at Craig Rd, hotel on right. Directions from hotel to rink:  
Right on Craig Rd, left on Clairemont Ave, right on Menomonie St, right at Riverside Bike and Skate,  
Hobbs Ice Arena's address is 915 Menomonie St.**

**SYNCHRONIZED INFORMATION**

**All Synchronized events will be held on Sunday March 14, 2010.  
A \$2.00 spectator admission will be charged for this event for those 13 and older.**

## EAU CLAIRE FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION

The 17th Eau Claire Figure Skating Competition for ladies, men, and synchronized teams will be held **March 12, 13 and 14, 2010**, at Hobbs Ice Arena, 915 Menomonie Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The competition will be conducted according to the rules of U S Figure Skating (USFS) as listed in the 2009-2010 Official USFS Rule Book except where stated differently in this announcement. Robert Gall will be the Chief Referee. Carolyn Marker will be the Chief Accountant. Competition Chairs are: LaNette Flunker (715) 830-1085 Toni Galarnyk, Paula Cramer, and Karen Trones. Registration Chair is Kim Showsh (715) 831-9201

### ELIGIBILITY

Entrants must be registered amateur members in good standing of USFS. Skaters may compete in as many events as qualified by their age and test level as of **January 15, 2010** or one level higher, but free skating, compulsory moves/short program, jumps, artistic, and championship events must all be skated at the same level. **Judging system will be the 6.0 system. The 2009-2010 rulebook will be used for all events.** Artistic, spin, and jump events may be combined (ladies/men).

### ENTRY FEES AND REFUNDS

An online entry system with secure credit card payment is being used for the 2010 competition. You can access the online registration system on our clubs website (ecfigureskate.org) "The entry fees for single events are \$90 for the first event (OR) \$100 for the Championship event, and \$20 for each additional event." Fees for synchronized teams are \$85 plus \$14 per skater for all levels except Beginner, which will be \$55 plus \$6 per skater. The service that is managing the credit payments will charge a 3 ½% service fee. All registration is requested to be done online however you may submit a paper registration form. If you chose to pay by check a \$5.00 processing fee will be charged. Entries must be registered by midnight online or postmarked by **January 15, 2010**. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Competition Committee, and will be assessed a \$20 late fee. **ECFSC** may, at its option, require a minimum of two competitors for an event to take place. Fees will be refunded if there is no event and the competitor chooses not to skate an exhibition. You will be assessed an additional \$25 for all checks that are returned, and the skater will only be allowed to compete if payment is subsequently made in cash or money order.

**Online registration with credit card or online registration with written check including a \$5.00 processing fee sent to:  
Kim Showsh, 122 Grey Friar Lane, Eau Claire, WI 54701**

**If you do not have internet access you can complete the registration form and send to Kim.**

**According to USFS Rule 3235, entry fees and purchased practice ice, minus the online processing fee are refundable if the withdrawal of an entry is made before the closing of entries, January 15, 2010. After January 15, 2010, No refunds (including for medical purposes) will be issued after the closing date, unless the event is canceled due to insufficient participation. The online processing fee is not refundable for any reason.**

### NEWLY RENOVATED FACILITIES

All practices and events will be held at Hobbs Ice Arena, 915 Menomonie Street, Eau Claire, Wisconsin. The arena has two ice surfaces, both of which will be used for the competition and practices. Rink size is 85 x 190. The arena has seating for spectators, and a concession stand that will be open during the competition. Locker rooms are available, and vendors will be present. Free parking is available adjacent to the Hobbs Ice Arena.

### REGISTRATION

The registration desk at Hobbs Ice Arena will be open during all scheduled practices and events. All schedules will be posted on an official bulletin board at the arena. It is the responsibility of competitors to check this board for official schedules and notices. Competitors should be at the arena and ready to compete **at least 45 minutes before the scheduled time of their event**. Events may run ahead at the discretion of the referee.

### TEST SESSION

A USFS test session will precede the competition on Thursday, March 11, 2010 (Wed March 10<sup>th</sup> may be added). If you are interested in participating, you will find the Test Application on our club website. Please complete and mail to Libby Niesen (address on form) by February 2, 2010.

## MUSIC – CD's ONLY

Only CD's (standard compact disc format only) will be accepted. They should be clearly marked with the skater's name. CD's must contain only **one** track and be recorded on **CD-R** media (**no CD-RW's** due to compatibility problems). It is suggested that you have a duplicate CD available with you. **You must turn your music in at the registration desk when you register – NO EXCEPTIONS.** Reasonable care will be taken however, the Eau Claire Figure Skating Club can assume no responsibility for the CDs. CD will be returned to the registration desk after each event. CD's not picked up prior to the end of the competition will only be returned at the participant's expense.

## PRACTICE ICE – Reserve your practice ice with your registration materials

Sessions of 20 minutes may be **reserved** in advance for \$9.00 per session. Please complete the practice ice portion of the online registration or with your mailed form. You will be notified when online practice ice registration is available. Skaters will pick their own practice ice sessions. You will receive an email with a PIN number in order to access your practice ice records and to select your session(s). Practice ice will begin on Thursday, March 11, 2010, and continue at various times for the duration of the competition. **Reserved** practice ice is transferable (to other sessions or skaters), but not refundable. If available, additional practice ice can be purchased at the event for \$10.00. Information regarding available practice ice will be posted on our website.

Synchronized team practice ice will be available for purchase at a cost of \$60 per 15-minute session and will be held on Saturday evening (March 13). You will be notified when online practice ice registration is available.

## AWARDS

Medals will be given to the top five skaters in each flight. Awards will not be given for exhibition free skates. Plaques will be awarded to the top three skaters in each Finals Event. Final events will not be held for test track competition. Trophies will be given to the top three skaters of the combined placements for Championship Events. Trophies will be awarded to the top three synchronized skating teams in each division except the beginner level which will receive medals. Awards and pictures will be held off-ice as soon as official results for each event are posted. Skaters should report to the awards and pictures area immediately following the posting of results.

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Sparks-Sternaman Founders Trophy will be awarded to the top ranked Junior Freestyle skater.

## PICTURES AND VIDEOTAPING

The official photographer, Buckley's Studio of Fine Photography, will be present to take award pictures. Videotaping and action photos will be available. Skaters may sign up for these services at the designated tables near the registration area. Note that no flash photography will be allowed in the official photography area.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

The Holiday Inn Campus located at 2703 Craig Rd, is conveniently located near the Hobbs Ice Arena and will be the official competition hotel. A special competition rate of \$74.95 per night (one-four occupants) has been arranged for competitors. Call 800-472-3297 to make reservations. Please indicate you are with the **Eau Claire FIGURE SKATING COMPETITION using the code: FIG** to receive the discounted rate. **This special rate will be good until February 19, 2010.** A list of other lodging options is enclosed as well as a city map. Many motels and restaurants are within close driving distance of the arena.

## SYNCHRONIZED COMPETITION

The Synchronized Competition will be held as a separate event on Sunday, March 14, 2010. All spectators 13 years of age and older will be required to purchase a \$2.00 ticket for admission. Team members, coaches, and two chaperones (per team) will receive passes for the event.

## SECTION 1: BASIC SKILLS / BEGINNER EVENTS

*For all events: No skaters may have passed higher than the preliminary test in any discipline, and the majority of the team must be "no test as of January 15, 2010."*

**The purpose for the competition is to promote a FUN, introductory competitive experience for the beginning skater."**

- A. Basic Skills Beginner 1** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 9 as of the preceding July 1.  
Program duration: 1 ½ - 2minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Required elements:
- Circle:** 1 circle, include a 2-foot turn and a forward inside and/or forward outside edge glide
  - Line:** Cover the ice and include only forward skating skills.
  - Block:** Cover the ice and include only one configuration.
  - Wheel:** A 4-spoke wheel with backward pumps.
  - Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 2-foot glide at the point of intersection.
- RESTRICTIONS:**
- No additional elements allowed.
  - Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand.
  - No changes or direction and traveling within elements.
  - No steps or moves in Basic 6 or higher.

- B. Basic Skills Beginner 2** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be 9 – 11 years old as of the preceding July 1.  
Program duration: 1 ½ - 2minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Required elements:
- Circle:** 1 circle, include the combination move\* from Basic 8
  - Line:** Cover the ice may include both forward and backward skating skills.
  - Block:** Cover the ice and include 1 or 2 configurations.
  - Wheel:** Wheel of choice with backward pumps.
  - Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 2-foot or 1-foot glide at the point of intersection.
- RESTRICIONS:**
- No additional elements allowed.
  - Holds may only include shoulder-to-shoulder and hand-to-hand
  - No changes or direction and traveling within elements.
  - No steps or moves in Free Skate 2 or higher.

- C. Basic Skills Beginner 3** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. The majority of the team must be at least 12 years old as of the preceding July 1  
Program duration: 2–2 ½ minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Required elements:
- Circle:** 1 circle, include the combination move\* from Basic 8
  - Line:** Cover the ice must include both forward and backward skating skills.
  - Block:** Cover the ice and include 2 or 3 configurations.
  - Wheel:** Wheel of choice.
  - Intersection:** 2 lines facing each other, forward 1-foot glide or forward lunge at the point of intersection.
- RESTRICTIONS:**
- No changes of direction and traveling within elements.

\* The combination move is element C in Basic 8: Two forward crossovers into a forward inside mohawk, step down or cross behind, step into a backward crossover, step forward onto a forward inside edge glide. It does not need to be repeated, and does not need to be done in both directions.

Beginner 1 and Beginner 2 can be combined, at the discretion of the chief referee.

## SECTION 2: U.S. FIGURE SKATING STANDARD COMPETITIVE EVENTS

- A. Preliminary:** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. All skaters must be under 12. with the majority of the team being under 10 as of the preceding July 1.  
Program duration: 2 minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4710
- C. Pre-Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 12 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 12 as of the preceding July 1.  
Program duration: 2 minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4760
- D. Open Juvenile:** A team of 8 to 12 skaters. The majority of the team must be under 19 as of the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the pre-preliminary moves in the field test as of January 15, 2010.  
Program duration: 2 ½ minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4770
- E. Juvenile:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 13 as of the preceding July 1 and have passed the preliminary moves in the field test as of January 15, 2010.  
Program duration: 3 minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4700
- F. Intermediate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 18 as of the preceding July 1 and have passed the pre-juvenile moves in the field test as of January 15, 2010.  
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4690
- G. Novice:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be under 16, with the exception that up to 4 team members may be 16 or 17, as of the preceding July 1 and have passed the juvenile moves in the field test as of January 15, 2010.  
Program duration: 3 ½ minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4680
- H. Junior:** A team of 12 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 12 and under 19 as of the preceding July 1. All skaters must have passed the intermediate moves in the field test as of January 15, 2010.  
Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds  
Free skate duration: 4 minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 4670
- I. Senior:** A team of 16 skaters. Skaters must be at least 14 as of the preceding July 1 and have passed the novice moves in the field test as of January 15, 2010.  
Short program duration: Maximum 2 minutes, 50 seconds  
Free skate duration: 4 ½ minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program and short program: Rule 4660
- J. Open Collegiate** A team of 8 to 16 skaters. Skaters must be enrolled in a degree program at a college or university as a full-time student, as of the entry deadline.  
Program duration: 3 minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4790
- K. Collegiate:** A team of 12 to 20 skaters. Skaters must be enrolled in a degree program at a college or university as a full-time student, and have passed the juvenile moves in the field test, as of January 15, 2010.,  
Program duration: 4 minutes +/- 10 sec.  
Well balanced program: Rule 4720

Minimum moves in the field test levels are not being required at this competition except for beginner teams.

**Crossover Rules:** The chart below illustrates where crossover skaters are allowed. The shaded areas indicate no crossovers are allowed. An "X" indicates crossovers are allowed between the two levels, providing all requirements are met as defined Rules 4660 – 4791.

Level Athlete is Skating In	Preliminary	Pre -Juvenile	Open Juvenile	Juvenile	Intermediate	Novice	Junior	Senior	Open Collegiate	Collegiate	Open Adult	Masters	Adult
Preliminary													
Pre - Juvenile													
Open Juvenile													
Juvenile						X							
Intermediate													
Novice				X			X	X					
Junior						X		X		X			
Senior						X	X			X			X
Open Collegiate													
Collegiate							X	X					X
Open Adult													
Masters													X
Adult								X		X		X	

**2010 Eau Claire Figure Skating Competition  
Synchronized Team Registration Form    www.ecfigureskate.org**

**◇ ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 15, 2010 ◇**

**Please print or type - may attach typed list of team members or email list to kshowsh@yahoo.com**

Synchronized Skating Team Name:		Home Club:	
Contact Person:	Phone #: (     )	Team USFS #:	
Address:	City:	State:	Zip:
Email Address (for contact person):			
Coaches (please list all):			
Level Entered: <input type="checkbox"/> Senior <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Novice <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Open Juvenile <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Juvenile <input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile <input type="checkbox"/> Preliminary <input type="checkbox"/> Beginner 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Beginner 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Beginner 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Open Collegiate <input type="checkbox"/> Collegiate			

	<u>NAME</u>	<u>AGE*</u>	<u>USFS #</u>	<u>HOME CLUB (if different)</u>
	Skaters in beginner <u>may not have passed higher than preliminary.</u>			
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\*Age is as of July 1, 2009

**ENTRY FORM 4:** Collegiate Certification page – for collegiate and open collegiate teams **ONLY**.

Collegiate and open collegiate teams must comply with Rule 4720 (collegiate) or Rule 4790 (open collegiate). Athletes must be considered full-time students by the college or university they attend, as of the entry deadline for this event. Use a separate form for each institution the members attend, collect all of the forms and send them together. Students may also choose another method to prove their student status, such as a print out of an unofficial transcript or a letter from the registrar.

Team Name:	U.S. Figure Skating Number:
Level:	

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	STUDENT ID NUMBER
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**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REGISTRAR:**

I certify that the students listed above are considered full-time students by the following institution:

\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Registrar: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Eau Claire 2010 SYNCHRONIZED SKATING COMPETITION Waiver

March 14, 2010

Liability Waiver / Certification by Club Officer

Team Name:	Level:
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*U.S. Figure Skating and the clubs or organizers of competitions undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries suffered by the skaters or officials. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants, their parents and guardians and officials shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks of injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by or connected with, the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they may have against any officials, U.S. Figure Skating, the club hosting the competition, and against its officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.*

Skater's name in alphabetical order	Skater signature or parent / guardian (if skater is under 18)
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**Please see next page for required signatures and fee calculations.**

[www.ecfigureskate.org](http://www.ecfigureskate.org)

**Club Certification for Synchronized Team:** The above team does represent our club. We understand that USFS and the Eau Claire Figure Skating Club or organizers of this competition undertake no responsibility for damages or injuries, or loss of property suffered by the skaters. As a condition of and in consideration of the acceptance of their entries or participation therein, all entrants and their parents/guardians shall be deemed to agree to assume all risks of injury to their person and property resulting from, caused by, or connected with the conduct and management of the competition, and to waive and release any and all claims which they may have against any officials, USFS, organizers of the competition, the Eau Claire Figure Skating Club and its Officers, and their entries shall be accepted only on such condition.

Signature of Club Officer: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PRACTICE ICE:**

Synchronized team practice ice will be available on Saturday evening, March 13, 2010 at a rate of \$60 for 15 minutes. Priority in scheduling will be first-come, first-served. While not required, it is recommended that you include payment for practice ice with your entry fees as payment establishes priority in scheduling. You will receive scheduling information from Marianne Torkelson as it becomes available. Practice ice may also be purchased at the rink on-site as available.

**Please direct inquiries to the following individuals:**

Synchro Chairs

Marianne Torkelson: M\_torkelson@yahoo.com 715-284-9708

Registration Chair –Kim Showsh: kshowsh@yahoo.com 715-831-9201

**Registration Deadline: January 15, 2010**

**Late Fee: \$20.00 if registration is posted after January 15, 2010**

**Competition Fee \$55 Beginner \$85 all other levels**

**Per Skater Fee \$6/skater beginner \$14/skater all other levels**

**Practice Ice \$60 per 15 minute session**

**Processing fee for manual registration form \$10**

**Late fee if posted after January 15, 2010**

**Total**

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**Please make checks payable to ECFSC and mail to**

Kim Showsh  
122 Grey Friar Lane  
Eau Claire, WI 54701