

Figure Skating Day at the Minnesota State Fair

Saturday August 25 (formerly Sept. 1)

Please respond before August 6th!!

WHAT: Saturday, August 25th will be named "Figure Skating Day" at the Minnesota State Fair. The entire day will be dedicated to promoting the 2008 U. S. Figure Skating Championships, the sport itself, and the history of figure skating in Minnesota.

WHERE: Carousel Park on the State Fair Grounds will be reserved for our use that day. A stage, 20' X 30' tent, and large grass lawn area will be available for the set-up of a plastic ice surface (16' X 24'), bleachers, sound system, autograph and information area, sponsor integration, decorations, signage, etc.

WHEN: We will be set up by 8am and tear down by 9pm.

10:00am	We will begin with a morning stretch with Health Partners – local skaters and possibly celebrity skaters will participate
11:00am	Celebrity skaters mingling around the area for photos and autographs.
1:00pm	All participants will line up for the daily State Fair parade
2:00pm	Parade begins (duration 1 hour)
4:00pm	Demo with 3 local skaters on the plastic ice surface
5:00pm	Demo same as 4:00
6:30pm	Demo same as 4:00 & 5:00

WHO: We are looking for several local Figure Skating clubs who will come and join us at the State Fair on the 25th. We would like you to bring several of your club members, along with their skating clothes, skates WITH GUARDS and club banners. You will be joined by 1-3 celebrity figure skaters (Emily Hughes, Eliot Halverson, one more yet to be named)

Logistical Information:

Changing test is available on site

Restrooms close by

All skaters participating in the parade and demos will receive an entrance pass, however, parking will be the responsibility of the Chaperone/parent as well as the entrance to the fair. The passes will be available at the TCFSA meeting on Aug. 13. Your delegate could pick them up.

Wells Fargo is providing their stage coach pulled by horses to carry Emily Hughes and the other celebrities.

Local skaters will hand out 2008 Nationals information, tattoos etc.

We will need each club, wishing to participate, to contact Lynda Lubratt, via email (lynda.lubratt@indeq.com) or phone (651-766-3843) by **AUGUST 6th**. We will need to know how many skaters you will bring. The plastic ice is perfectly safe and better if you use your skates without sharpening. You will have to sharpen them after your day at the fair. We would also like each participant to bring a photo of themselves with skates on, no larger than 5x7, for the photo wall. We would also like an adult or two from your club to come along and help out with this exciting day. More information will follow.