



Announcement of the II Martin Bencher Interclub Competition 2014 for young single skaters

The Figure Skating Club Kotkan Taitoluistelu ry., Finland, has a pleasure to invite your skaters to participate in the international II Martin Bencher figure skating competition 2014.

Event time April 12-13, 2014

Organizer Kotkan Taitoluistelu ry / KoTa
Member of the Finnish Figure Skating Association
Kotka is located in the south coast of Finland, 130 km from Helsinki to east.

Venue Kotka ice rink
Tapiontie 4, 48600 Kotka, FINLAND
The Area is heated.

Competition web Page

<http://kotkantaitoluistelu.fi/kilpailut/ii-martin-bencher-interclub-2014/>

Categories	ISU evaluation:		
	Junior A, ladies/men	born 1.7.1994 or later	SP/FS
	Junior B, ladies	born 1.7.1994 - 30.6.2000	FS
	Novice A, girls/boys	born 1.7.1998 or later	SP/FS
	Novice B, girls	born 1.7.1998 or later	FS
	Cubs A, girls/boys	born 2004 or later	FS
	Springs A, girls/boys	born 2002 or later	FS
	Debs A, girls/boys	born 1.7.2000 or later	FS

Finnish Star evaluation:

Novice C, ladies	born 1998 or later
Debs B, girls	born 2001 or later
Springs B, girls/boys	born 2002 or later
Cubs B, girls/boys	born 2004 or later
Chicks, girls/boys	born 2005 or later
Pre Young III, girls	axel and double jumps are allowed
Pre Young II, girls	axel is allowed
Pre Young I, girls	axel or double jumps are not allowed

Chicks category may be divided into age groups depending on the number of entries. Each competitor will be ranked and rewarded.

There will be open practice on Saturday in the morning for ISU competitors. For these rehearsals an advance notice must be made in the entry, otherwise we can't let the competitor on the ice.

For the Junior B category the starting order of the FS will be reverse to the results of the short program. Hence, the skater in the first place after the short program will skate last in the free skating.

Competition requirements

Each invited club has the right to enter competitors in any category. The Organizer reserves the right to limit the number of participants, if the number of entries is too high. The organizing club however takes right to enter more competitors than other clubs. The clubs are asked to list the skaters in the order in which they wish to be accepted to the competition.

Please note the technical requirements ANNEX A.

Music

CD (no RW cds). The music recordings must state the full name of the competitor, category and the name of the club and country.

To participate

All clubs and members of the National Figure Skating Federations associated with the ISU are invited to take part in the competition.

Please fill in the enclosed entry form (ANNEX B) and return it to the Organizer by

March 21th 2014 to the following e-mail address: kota.kilpailut@gmail.com

The Organizer will confirm the skaters accepted to the competition latest on March 31th 2014 on the competition website: <http://kotkantaitoluistelu.fi/kilpailut/ii-martin-bencher-interclub-2014/>

Planned Program Components:

Entries for ISU evaluation categories: Please fill in the separate planned program component sheet (ANNEX C) **by the 21th of March** and return it by e-mail kota.kilpailut@gmail.com

Entry fee

Categories with Finnish Star-evaluation	50 €
Categories with ISU evaluation, one day	60 €
Categories with ISU evaluation, two days	80 €

The entry fees must be paid **by March 29th 2014** to the bank account of Kotkan Taitoluistelu ry

IBAN: FI9355060020118137 SWIFT/BIC: OKOYFIHH

The entry fees must be paid by one payment transaction of each club and the bills note must be subscribed in the message field participating clubs name.

Cancellations

The Organizer has the right to send invoice for entry fee if participation is cancelled after **29th March 2014** without a medical certificate.

Preliminary event schedule (subject to change)

Saturday 12th of April

Open practice for ISU competitors	
Cubs A	ISU Evaluation
Springs A	ISU Evaluation
Junior A (SP)	ISU Evaluation
Novice A (SP)	ISU Evaluation
Debs A	ISU Evaluation
Novice B	ISU Evaluation
Junior B	ISU Evaluation
Practice for Junior A and Novice A	

Sunday 13th of April 8:00 – 20:00

Junior A (FS)	ISU Evaluation
Novice A (FS)	ISU Evaluation
Chicks	Finnish Star Evaluation
Cubs B	Finnish Star Evaluation
Springs B	Finnish Star Evaluation
Pre Young III	Finnish Star Evaluation
Pre Young II	Finnish Star Evaluation
Pre Young I	Finnish Star Evaluation

The final schedule will be placed on the Organizer Internet page on the 5th of April 2014 at the latest.

Accommodation

Accommodation will be arranged by the participants. More information in competition web page <http://kotkantaitoluistelu.fi/kilpailut/ii-martin-bencher-interclub-2014/>

Liability

The Organizer accepts no liability for injury or damage sustained by competitors or officials. Participants and other members are expected to provide their own insurances. Qualified medical personnel will be present at the competition and practice site.

Expenses and overnights

The Organizer will not cover any expenses of the teams. All Travel expenses, board or accommodations of the competitors or coaches will be borne by the participants.

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A warm welcome to Kotka!

