

# Announcement of the International Figure Skating Competition

***Kuopio, Finland April 3 – 5, 2015***

Figure skating club Kuopion Taitoluistelijat ry., Kuopio, Finland, has the pleasure of inviting your skaters to participate in the

## ***13th Silver Skate 2015***

**Organized by:** Kuopion Taitoluistelijat ry. (KuTa) Kuopio, Finland

**Venues:** City (Niirala) Ice Rink, Kuopio, Finland  
Lippumäki Ice Rink, Kuopio, Finland

**Competition website:** <http://www.kuta.fi/silver-skate-2015/>

**Categories:**

**Finnish Star Evaluation:**

Chicks born 2006 or later	FS
Cubs born 2005 or later	FS
Springs B born 2003 or later	FS
Debs B born 2002 or later	FS
Novice C born 2000 or later	FS
Junior C born 1995 or later	FS
Starlets born 2004-2006 / 2001-2003 / 2000 and before	FS

**ISU Evaluation:**

Springs A born 2003 or later	FS
Debs A born 1.7.2001 or later	FS
Novice A born 1.7.2000 or later	SP/FS
Novice B born 1.7.1999 or later	FS
Junior A born 1.7.1995 or later	SP/FS
Junior B born 1.7.1995 – 30.6.2001	SP/FS
Senior A	SP/FS
Senior B born 30.6.1999 or before	SP/FS
Adults Bronze, Silver, Gold, Masters, Elite Masters	FS / Artistic

Chicks, Cubs and Springs may be divided into age groups depending on the number of entries.

Please see *Annex A* for technical requirements.

- Competitors:** All clubs and members of the National Figure Skating Federations associated with the ISU are invited to take part in the competition.
- Entries:** Please fill in the separate Entry Form (*Annex B*) and return it to:
- [competitions.kuta@gmail.com](mailto:competitions.kuta@gmail.com)
- Deadline for entries is **March 6, 2015**.
- The entries for each category should be in the club's order of preference in case of need to limit the number of entries.
- The organizer reserves the right to enter more competitors.
- Cancellations:** After March 20, 2015 only cancellations verified by a medical certificate will be refunded. Note that office fee of 15 euros will be charged in this case. If the skater cannot participate, he/she can be replaced by another skater of the same club in the same category. This should be done by 31<sup>st</sup> of March though.
- Liability:** According to the ISU regulations, organizer accepts no liability for injuries or damage sustained by competitors or officials.  
Qualified medical personnel will be present at the competition and practice site.
- Entry Fee:**
- 60 euros for skaters with Finnish Star evaluation.
  - 60 euros with only free program (FS) with ISU evaluation.
  - 80 euros for skaters with short and free program (SP+FS) with ISU evaluation.
  - Adults: 60 euros first program, 20 euros second program.
- The entry fee should be paid no later than March 20, 2015** on the account of  
Kuopion Taitoluistelijat  
IBAN: FI30 5600 0520 4215 56  
SWIFT: OKOYFIHH
- We kindly ask to make one transaction/club.  
The entry fee of foreign competitors can be paid by cash in competition office before the competition.
- Planned Program Components:**
- ISU evaluation categories: please fill in the Planned Program Component –sheet (*Annex C*) and return it **by March 6, 2015** together with the entries by email to [competitions.kuta@gmail.com](mailto:competitions.kuta@gmail.com)

## **Preliminary Event Schedule:**

### **Friday April 3**

City Ice Rink: Competition time 10:00 - 21:00

Lippumäki Ice Rink: Competition time 10:00 - 21:00

### **Saturday April 4**

City Ice Rink: Competition time 08:00 – 17:00

Lippumäki Ice Rink: Competition time 08:00 – 17:00

City Ice Rink: **Evening Gala at 18:00, open to public**

### **Sunday April 5**

City Ice Rink: Competition time 08:00 – 20:00

Lippumäki Ice Rink: Competition time 08:00 – 20:00

**A more detailed event schedule will be posted on the Competition website on March 9, 2015.**

### **Awarding:**

Three first standings in each category will be awarded with a cup and a diploma. All competitors will receive a medal and a diploma.

### **Music:**

CD (no CD-RW). The music disc must contain the full name of the competitor, category and the name of the club.

### **Judges:**

The organizer will invite the judges and technical panel and pay their expenses. The names of the judges and technical officials will be posted on the competition website.

### **Expenses:**

Competitors' travel expenses, board and accommodation will be borne by the participants.

### **Accommodation:**

Accommodation information is in *Annex D*.

### **Meal at the rink:**

A warm meal (incl. salad, bread, drink) will possibly be served each day in the City Ice Rink. The price for the meal is 8 euros/meal. Please order the meals beforehand in the Entry Form – we will organize the dining only if there are enough meal orders. Please follow our web site: we will inform on the competition site whether the dining will be organized. We will also post the menus and dining times on competition web site.

**GALA:****Traditional Gala again on Saturday evening!****We kindly ask for a special Gala program with duration of max 5 min / club.**

The program may be performed by an individual competitor / group of competitors / any combination.

Please inform the organizer about the gala program (name and duration) and the performers in the program. Deadline is together with the entry **by March 6, 2015.**

**The Gala will be organized in Niirala Ice Rink on Saturday April 4 (preliminary starting time at 6 PM) after the competitions. Gala will be open to public.****Adults' Training Day:**

If we have enough participants and ice available, we will again organize a training day for adult skaters (min. 10 participants) on Sunday April 5 in Lippumäki ice rink. The day consists of 3 hours of ice, 1,5 hour off-ice and a lunch. Coaches: Colin Chanski and a Pilates instructor in off-ice practice. The price for the day is 85 euros. Preliminary entries with the separate Entry Form (*Annex B*) together with announcement on the competition. We will confirm on March 9, 2015 whether the training day will be organized. More information, contact: Laura Elina Martikainen, [lauraelina.martikainen@gmail.com](mailto:lauraelina.martikainen@gmail.com)

**Important Dates:**

- March 6, 2015** Deadline for entries (incl. Planned Program Component – sheet, Gala program, Meal order).
- March 9, 2015** List of skaters published.  
Detailed event schedule on competition website published.
- March 20, 2015** Due date for entry fee payment.
- March 22, 2015** Draw of skating orders at Niirala ice rink. The results of the draw will be published on competition website latest on March 23, 2015.
- April 3, 2015** **Let the Fun Begin ☺**

*We look forward to meeting you all figure skating friends in Kuopio, Finland for the Silver Skate 2015 !*

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

With warm regards,

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**Attachments:** Annex A (Requirements), Annex B (Entry Form), Annex C (Planned Program Components), Annex D (Accommodation)

**Distribution:** STLL (Finnish Figure Skating Association), all member clubs of the STLL, selected clubs in Czech, Denmark, England, Estonia, France, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Russia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland

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