

Presidency Sector

Coaches Representative

The past two years have past by very quickly. To be involved at the section was not part of my plans two years ago. I must admit that one gets used to it rapidly. Your high participation and interest within the different workshops and meetings contribute to my motivation. I wish to thank Anne Desjardins for her assistance and support with the various files involved. For the past few months, Amélie has been assigned to the skaters development (coaches sector) and the transition went on smoothly. This explains the quality of the follow up actions.

Here is a summary of the last season activities:

1. Participation to the Skate Canada AGM and coaches conference in Edmonton (June 2009);
2. Meeting with the coaches, the technical specialists and judges at the 2009 Summer Championships;
3. 2009 congress – meeting with the coaches regional representatives;
4. Technical meeting with Benoît Lavoie, Yvan Desjardins and Michèle Godbout -- Cocktail (2009 Georges-Éthier Memorial);
5. Presentation DLTA program by Denis Beaudoin (2009 "Sans Limites development camp);
6. Technical meeting with Sylvain Guibord (2010 Sectionals);
7. Coaches social meeting (2010 Participation Games);
8. Coaches social meeting (2010 STAR competition);
9. Participation to the Board of Directors meetings;
10. STAR skating programs workshops with the assistance of the programs committee members;
11. Follow-up on competitions team support staff, publication of the "Guide de l'Entraîneur",
12. Communication and follow-up with regional coaches representatives;
13. Certification of coaches at all competitions;
14. Liaison with various Fédération committees;
15. Follow-up on all files concerning coaches within the Fédération;
16. Training of coaches during spring-summer 2009 and autumn 2009-winter 2010.

In closing I wish to express my special thanks to Joanne Godin; she is a leader who is always willing to share her experience, her opinions and leadership.

My thanks also go to the regional coaches representatives. Your involvement is much appreciated. Thanks to you, communication and information is so easily accessible. It is a team effort and you contribute greatly to its success.

I appreciate being part of the team, with the members of the Board of Directors, that works for the advancement of figure skating in our province. We all contribute to maintain our section among the leaders in skaters development in Canada.

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