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# News Mail from OSC

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## Change in this Year's Coaching Staff

This is to get everyone in the Club up to speed with what is going on during these early summer practices. If you were at the rink today you will already have heard that Rachel Funk will no longer coach with OSC. Rachel is looking at some career options and might be leaving Oxford in the near future. Rachel talked with Ashley Korn, who was coaching last season's Novice team with Rachel. Ashley agreed to step into Rachel's boots and carry on. Members of the Board and Team Managers met with Ashley to discuss how to proceed. We know that Ashley has a good rapport with the skaters and will work hard to ensure a smooth transition.

Gianna will continue to coach the OSC Preliminary and Pre-Juvenile teams for the coming season. She will be assisted by other coaches, but Rachel will not be involved. However, during our End-of-Season interview Gianna said that this most likely will be her last year with OSC as she, too, will look for a change that will lead her away from Oxford.

## About Teams

Our coaches are still working on the way the teams will be put together, but because of the smaller number of skaters this season there will be some inevitable changes.

Preliminary and Pre-Juvenile level will be tweaked to help accommodate budgets & competitive edge for these teams. Preliminary and Pre-Juvenile will be two separate teams with the original 5 Prelim skaters plus the original 7 crossing skaters will now skate with Prelim only. The original 5 Pre-Juv skaters plus original 7 crossing skaters will only skate Pre-Juv. The 7 crossing skaters will also incur some additional fees in this situation but nothing drastic. Gianna & Paula are back at the drawing board to redistribute the ice, off-ice classes, events & cost in an equitable way and will inform the team managers to communicate to that group by July 10.

While a two-team approach at the Preliminary and Pre-Juvenile level will still be viable, it looks like a combined Intermediate and Novice Team cannot be realized. Ashley, with input from other coaches, and also the team skaters will figure out what team will serve OSC best for the coming season and will keep us posted. The plan is to have it all figured out by the end of Summer Sundays (July 10). There will be a meeting of team parents later this summer (most likely during Boot Camp week) to discuss all these changes and allow input from skaters and parents.

## About Team Managers

For the next season we will have a team of Team Managers to spread the workload and duties. Deb Lehman, Jen Smith, and Kelli Quigg will be Team Managers for the Preliminary/Prejuvenile Teams. Lois Jernigan, Julie Campbell-Ruggaard, and Rebecca Moffett will manage the Intermediate/Novice Team. We think that this will work well and at the same time distribute the workload such that none of them feels overwhelmed at the job at hand. We are all looking forward to a rewarding and successful season.

## OSC Board Election Result

This year we had three openings on the Board as Kelli Quigg's, Cathy Leonard's and Krista Gray's term came to an end. The Board welcomes Julie Campbell-Ruggaard, Anne Fuehrer, and Kelli Quigg as the new/re-elected Board members for a three-year term. Welcome aboard! In the name of OSC we thank Krista and Cathy for their good and hard work on the Board, thank you! The Board Officers will be the same as last year: Herbert Jaeger, President; Tim Lehman Vice President; Paula Murray, Treasurer; Bev Schrader, Secretary.

## The Production Team and Wednesday Night Ice

We are beginning to make concrete plans for our new *Production Team*, that will perform a theatrical program with costumes and props suitable for skaters of all ages and abilities, allowing everyone from entry-level to expert skaters, even adults, to skate together as a team. It is meant to be fun for all, a bit like Goggin's Ice Show. The Production Team will practice Wednesdays from 7:40-8:10 pm. We are planning to send this team to competitions throughout the season; a tentative list includes Newark, Chiller, and of course Miami Open.

The 8:10 to 8:55 pm time slot will become OSC Club Freestyle Ice and is going to be available to all skating members of OSC. No additional fee will be required to use this ice; just show up and skate. The Wednesdays before away competitions will be earmarked for exhibitions of all programs and will serve as dress-rehearsals and last minute practice. The two Wednesdays in March just before the test session will be used entirely for freestyle ice (7:40-8:55 pm) to allow our testing skaters to have additional ice time (pending Goggin's approval).

# Ice Schedule for Summer

## Summer Sundays

June 12 June 19 June 26 and July 10:

Intermediate/Novice 9:45 – 11:45 am

Power Class (Goggin) Noon (Hi power) and 2:45 pm (Lo power)

Preliminary/Pre-Juvenile 3:30 – 4:30 pm

## Boot Camp

August 8 – 12 (Monday through Friday)

4:00 – 5:00 pm Off-Ice Practice

5:00 – 8:00 pm On-Ice Practice

# Goggin Summer Programs

**Freestyles** are offered on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. For times see [www.ice.muohio.edu](http://www.ice.muohio.edu).

**Power Classes** – Sundays 12 pm High-Power; Sundays 2:45 pm Low Power. Fee is \$10 per 30-min session (not part of OSC fees, must be paid at the time)

**Summer Public Skating** – You've asked for it and now we're offering it!! This summer, for the first time, we're offering Summer Public Skating. The dates and times are as follows: Fridays, July 8, 15, 22 & 29 – 7:30-9pm.

**Skating Camp** – Freestyle & Synchro (Elite is closed but inquire if you're still interested). Check out the website for more information - [www.ice.muohio.edu](http://www.ice.muohio.edu).

**Fall Programming** – More freestyle sessions this fall! Sessions will vary throughout the year as usual but our consistent sessions will be as follows:

Mondays – 4:15pm FS & 5pm FS

Tuesdays – 4:15pm FS, 5:15pm FS & 6pm FS

Wednesdays – 4:15pm FS, 5:15pm FS & 6pm FS

Thursdays – 4:15pm FS, 5:15pm FS & 6pm FS (will vary with hockey schedule)

Saturdays – 12:50-1:30pm