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SOUTH AFRICAN FIGURE SKATING ASSOCIATION

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GAUTENG NORTH PROVINCE

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For attention: All members

RE: – MESSAGE FROM THE NEW COMMITTEE

1. Introduction

The purpose of this general communication is to inform all members, coaches and parents of:

- the new committee members;
- the priorities identified by the new committee; and
- financial matters concerning the Province.

We will endeavour, to the extent warranted, to keep you updated with further member communications, primarily via the website. Copies will also be left in the music box at the ice rink together with membership application forms.

2. New committee

At the Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 9 May 2009, the following committee members were appointed:

- Rian Strydom as chairperson – 083 609 1213 – rian.strydom@exxaro.com
- Christo Viljoen – responsible for Finance and chairperson of the Nationals 2009 committee – 083 321 6502 – service@prispek.co.za
- Elsa Lombaard – Provincial secretary – 082 474 2092 – elsa@krause.co.za
- Teresa Potgieter – Test secretary – 082 607 0162 – teresa@absamail.co.za
- Stephan Windell – Website and design – 082 429 6062 – south@lantic.co.za

Subsequent to the AGM, Janet Sailer has fortunately also joined the committee and her experience will be of immense value specifically on competitions and technical issues. The previous committee consisted of 10 members and now only consists of 6 members due to members not making themselves available.

The committee portfolios of:

- Provincial liaison; and
- Fundraising

are currently vacant. I urge members to contact me to make themselves available to assist with the vacant portfolios. Involvement need not be on a full time basis and members willing to assist can be co-opted onto the committee for specific functions.

Member of:
International Skating Union
SA Sports Confederation and
Olympic Committee
(SASCOC)
Sports Council – Gauteng
North

3. Committee priorities

The intention is not to identify each and every task or initiative but merely to communicate the main focus areas namely:

- Hosting of Nationals 2009;
- Fundraising;
- Growth in the Province;
- Monthly electronic member statements from June; and
- Website updating.

4. Financial matters

We made a net profit for the financial year to 31 March 2009, however, this profit can be attributed to the sponsorship received for the KykNet show as well as the profit from the hosting of an inter-provincial competition in April 2008. Without these two single events, none of which will be repeated in 2009 due to our hosting of Nationals 2009, we would have suffered a net loss and also a net cash outflow for the year.

The annual membership fees and the monthly club fees alone cannot keep the Province afloat therefore a concerted effort will be made with fundraising/sponsorship initiatives.

Annual membership fees for all members will remain unchanged at:

- R100 per annum for ordinary members of which R50 is paid over to SAFSA as an Affiliation fee;
- R50 per annum for life members of which R25 is paid over to SAFSA as an Affiliation fee; and
- R0 for honorary members.

Club fees, payable only by skating members, will be as follows:

- **R600 for the full year if paid in advance for the entire financial year by no later than 30 June 2009; and**
- **R60 per month for those members who continue to pay on a monthly basis.**

We again urge you to make payment diligently and per electronic transfer to the following bank account in order for us as committee to keep the Province financially viable:

- Beneficiary: SA Figure Skating Association – Gauteng North.
- Bank: Nedbank, Montana.
- Branch code 163345
- Account number: 1633240495
- Reference: e.g. A Gerber club fees

If you do not make use of the electronic facility and prefer to pay cash, please do so to either Christo Viljoen, Teresa Potgieter or Janet Sailer. These three members are the only members in possession of receipt books. Please also ensure that you receive a receipt for your payment to assist with us maintaining an internal control measure required by the Province and the external auditors, as well as being able to update our accounting records accurately.

5. Closing

Please do not hesitate to contact me in order to table issues that you require us as a committee to address.

Our initial intention was to use the AGM as platform to identify issues of concern but unfortunately due to the low attendance, the opportunity was missed.

We will also communicate a date for a member engagement in order to list and prioritise issues for attention.

