

## **BLADELINES**

February 2024

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### ***Magic City Ice Classic Registration is LIVE!***

Go to EMS to register now! This week there is an early bird special discount of \$15 off!  
Big thanks to our board and LOC who have been working and will continue to work behind the scenes to make MCIC possible! Our goal is 250 skaters! Help us get the word out!

#### ***Greater Birmingham Humane Society Donations, February 5 - 24***

For three weeks the Junior Board is collecting Pet Supplies to benefit the Greater Birmingham Humane Society. There are donation boxes near the practice rink and we appreciate donations of the following items:

Blankets and Towels  
Cat Toys  
Dog Toys  
Dry Cat & Dog Food  
Wet Cat & Dog Food  
Cat & Dog Treats  
Cat Litter

#### ***Donate Used Skates!***

Our Learn to Skate families and students need your outgrown skates and used boots and blades. The BFSC is partnering with the Pelham Skate School to match up skates to students. If you have skates lingering in your garage or attic or tucked away someplace, we would be pleased to have you donate them.

The Club will price them reasonably so that more skaters can experience what skating feels like out of the rentals and before transitioning to buy new skates of their own.

Your skate donation will benefit the BFSC and the Skate School!

You may drop skates off with Skate Director, Christian Newberry or coordinate a time with Henrika Taylor [henrikataylor@gmail.com](mailto:henrikataylor@gmail.com)

#### ***SAVE THE DATE: 2024 Banquet***

BFSC Annual Banquet

Saturday, May 18, 2 - 4 PM

Pelham Civic Center Party Room

*Awards! Silent Auction! Raffle! Good fun with the BFSC Community!*

***Test Chair, Priscilla Fowler, Accepted to Judges School***

Priscilla Fowler, BFSC Test Chair, has been trial judging test sessions and competitions since last season as part of the process towards becoming a credentialed USFSA official. She was recommended by her mentor to apply to Judges School and recently learned she has been accepted, which is a big next step! She will attend a three-day program in March and then sit for an exam. If she passes, she gets her appointment and will be a Sliver Singles Judge! Figure skating officials are volunteers and become judges out of love for the sport and a desire to give back to the skating community. Priscilla says, "I'm excited and nervous but I love doing and plan to keep at it until I get my Gold level appointments!"  
Thank you for your dedication Priscilla! You inspire us! Best of Luck!!

### ***Club T-shirt Distribution***

If you still have not picked up your club shirt, reply to this email with your size and to coordinate pick-up.

### ***BFSC Test Session Schedule***

There will be a Test Session on Friday, May 3 prior to the 2024 Magic City Ice Classic *Details TBA*.

### ***BFSC Competition Jackets***

We continue to research new options to offer members while simultaneously working to fulfill orders made last fall. Please stay tuned and thanks for your ongoing interest and patience!

## **JUNIOR BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### ***Valentine Club Ice for BFSC Members and Friends***

*Saturday, February 17, 1:30 – 2:30 Practice Arena; Valentine Cookie Decorating to follow from 2:30 to 3 pm. Link to sign-up will be sent out soon! Stay tuned!*

### ***February Pet Supply Drive to Benefit the Greater Bham Humane Society***

The BFSC Junior Board is collecting Pet Supplies for the next three weeks as part of their philanthropic mission. The GBHS needs the following for animals on location or to distribute through their Pet Food Bank for low-income pet owners. *Any questions, please reply to this email. Thank you!*

Blankets and Towels

Cat Toys

Dog Toys

Dry Cat & Dog Food

Wet Cat & Dog Food

Cat & Dog Treats

Cat Litter

## 2024 REGIONAL COMPETITIONS

*Some competitions are already open for registration. Talk to your coaches and make sure you are watching for registration dates and deadlines. Be advised that if a competitions fills, they may close registration BEFORE the deadline.*

March 8 – 10, Magnolia Open, Alpharetta, GA

*Deadline via EMS, Feb 7*

March 16, Rocket City Junior Classic, Huntsville, AL

*Deadline via Entryeze, Feb 16*

March 22-25, Louisville Spring Invitational/2024 SEGL Competition

*Deadline via EMS, Feb 23*

April 18 – 21, Skate Nashville

*Deadline via EMS, March 18*

May 3 – 5, Magic City Ice Classic, Pelham, AL

*Deadline via EMS, March 24*

June 25 – 29, National Theatre on Ice, Evansville, IN

July TBD, Skate Detroit

July 19 – 21, Peach Open – NQS, Duluth, GA

July TBD, 2024 Peach Classic

July TBD, Charleston Open

August 2- 4, Scott Hamilton Invitational – NQS, Bellevue, TN

August 5 - 10– August 3 Showcase Nationals, San Jose, CA

August 23- 25, Atlanta Open

September 6 -8, John Smith Memorial Invitational, Charlotte, NC

October TBD, Boston Open

October 3 -6, Cranberry Fall Open – NQS, Norwood, MA

*This is not a comprehensive listing. We'll continue to update and add to it in subsequent issues of Bladelines. Note too that the Adult Skaters and Collegiate Skaters have a different schedule.*

## THANK YOU TO BFSC 2023-24 SPONSORS (to date)

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Taco Mac

*Thank you for reading to the end! Any questions or comments please reply directly to this email.*