

## 2020-2021 SCNV Annual Committee Reports

### Website

For the 2020-2021 season, the website committee has continued operations and maintenance of the club website with a new addition of digital commerce (aka web sales) for club jackets, and competition item sales (e.g. programs, good-luck ads, pins, t-shirts, etc.). This year, we completed the retirement of the old web server, and completed consolidation with Wordpress. The committee has diversified digital forms automation using JotForms/Formsite for club ice, club awards/scholarships and committees survey (TBA). The website continues to provide digital communications of upcoming news, events and committee programs such as monthly test sessions and the annual Cardinal Classic (CC) competition.

Per website traffic analysis for 2021 year to date, our home page is most popular (4,002 views) followed by the testing web page (2,321 views).

Future ideas/backlog for next season include an addition of a "new club skater" info page (similar to USFSA), automation of email newsletters, reimbursement forms and whatever the committee/club can think of. The committee welcomes new volunteers interested in applying digital technology to benefit communications for the club.

### Club Ice

For the 2020-2021 season, the club ice committee has continued the club ice program exclusively at FIA. Subscribers continued to complete registration, medical waiver and payment all online; this method now in its third year. Monday evenings club ice at FIA continued instructor led classes beginning with Solo Pattern Dance class with Jonathon Hodgkinson, followed by a single freestyle session. The Off-Ice with Joe Griffin class was not held due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Fall session of the Solo Pattern Dance (SPD) class concluded with a testing option held on 1/25 with Hayley Pangle as ice dance official. There were 3 of 4 skaters that successfully passed their Preliminary dance tests (1 of 2 Canasta Tango and 3 of 4 Rhythm Blues) and Pre-Bronze dance tests (0 of 3 Cha Cha and 2 of 2 Fiesta Tango). The Spring SPD session has a testing option scheduled on 6/7 with 2 Preliminary dance tests (Canasta Tango) and 3 Pre-Bronze dance tests (Cha Cha, Swing Dance, Fiesta Tango). The final registration numbers were as follows:

- Sun FS = 8 skaters (includes 1 adult)
- Mon Solo Pattern Dance = 6 skaters
- Mon FS = 9 skaters (includes 2 adults)
- Total number of skaters = 14

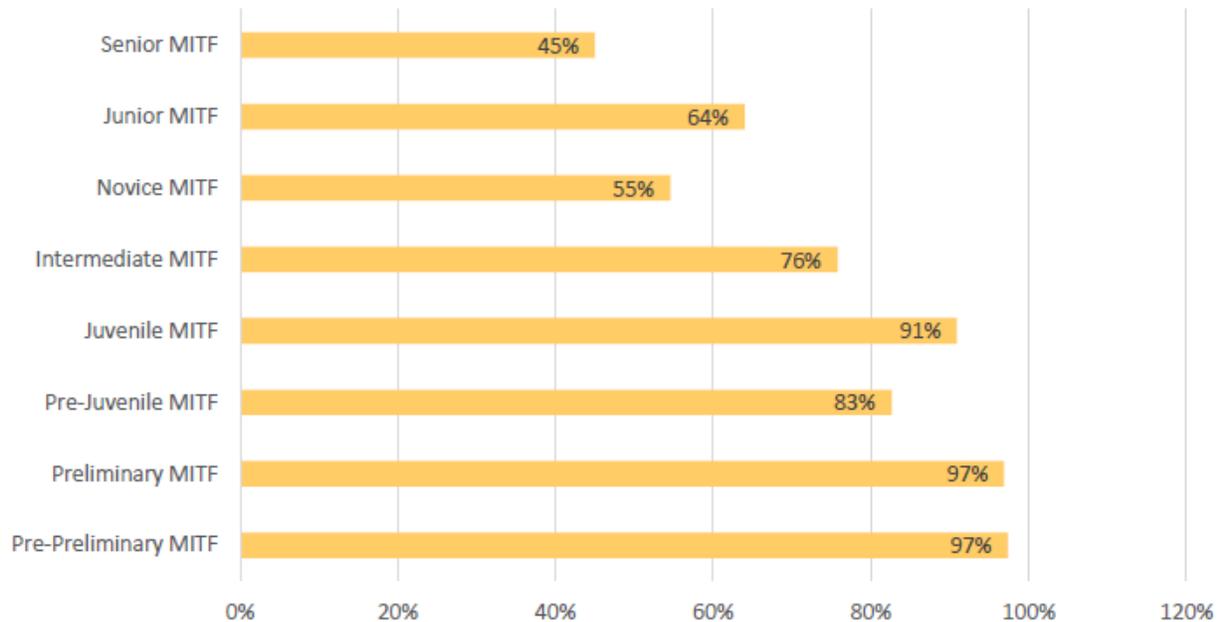
For the 2021-2022 season, the committee looks to relief from the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions for both coaches and skaters to take advantage of the club ice program. The committee welcomes new volunteers interested in helping with and improving the club ice program.

## Special Events

To say Special Events during a pandemic was challenging would be an understatement. Events may not have looked familiar and many had to be re-imagined but we were able to safely pull a few of them off. Here's a recap of what we did over the past year.

After much deliberation, we held our Volunteer Appreciation Event outdoors in the Fairfax Ice Arena parking lot in May of 2020. Everybody was masked and socially distanced but we were able to converse and catch up. For many of us, it was the first time we had seen these friendly and familiar faces in months. Each volunteer left with a bottle of wine as a thank you gift. We followed that up with our Annual Banquet in August. Although some weather came in before the event, it cleared just in time and we enjoyed ourselves outside on a very hot, humid August evening in a grassy field in Prince William. Basketball player Spencer "Spinny" Johnson provided entertainment demonstrating his amazing basketball tricks. He had no trouble getting the crowd of figure skaters and their families involved in the interactive show and attempting his basketball tricks. His message was "With the proper discipline and hard work, you can accomplish anything!" The Kona Ice Truck provided welcome relief on the hot summer evening. We did our usual award/medal presentations and watched our annual video. If you won a trophy and were not at the banquet, have no fear. Our board did a drive by delivery parade to be sure each recipient received their trophy! Our focus then shifted to Sendoffs, co-hosted with ION Figure Skating Club, as our skaters prepared for the Championship Series. Although the series was called off, we managed to hold the event and our skaters had a chance to perform in front of a small socially distanced audience at ION. We also presented our scholar awards at Sendoffs. Nationals Night was yet another event that had to look very different. We couldn't gather with our SCNV friends and family at a local restaurant to watch the ladies compete. Instead, we provided goody bags with fun munchies and SCNV hand sanitizers to anybody that wanted in on the fun while they watched from their own home, snuggled up on the couch with a blanket. We had our own little competition to see who could best predict the medalists. Our focus is now on planning the Annual Banquet for this year. We are working on details and can announce that the banquet will be held on Saturday July 10<sup>th</sup> so please save the date. We have some fabulous entertainment lined up and hope you will join us. We are watching the guidelines which are constantly changing. There may still be limitations on the number of attendees so once registration opens, please rsvp and pay promptly if you intend to join us.

## 2020-21 TEST SESSION PASS RATE BY TEST MAY 2020 - APRIL 2021



**Total tests:** 445, Moves (MITF) 226, Free Skates (FS) 46, Dance 164

**MITF:** Pre-preliminary 38, Preliminary 32, Pre-Juvenile 23, Juvenile 22, Intermediate 33, Novice 33, Junior 25, Senior 20

**FS:** Pre-preliminary 12, Preliminary 8, Pre-Juvenile 9, Juvenile 7, Intermediate 6, Novice 1, Junior 0, Senior 2

The above charts represent the percentage of tests passed at SCNV test sessions from the 2020-21 test season. The Club held 8 test sessions, with a total of 445 tests, compared with 10 test sessions, 539 tests the previous season. Despite so many additional obstacles during the pandemic, SCNV continues to offer test sessions, taking into consideration the safety of our officials, skaters, and volunteers.

- Novice, Junior, and Senior MITF has the lowest passing rate of less than 60%. Novice and higher MITF introduce new difficult skills (counters, rockers, loops) and require more quickness and power in both directions than seen at earlier levels.
- Senior MITF has the lowest passing rate of 45%.
- *Adult, free skates, and dance* test levels are not included in this chart because of a too small sample set for meaningful analysis.

For additional testing information, please refer to our website for more information.

**Next year, we will continue to offer dance, moves, and free skate test sessions.**

## Membership 2020 – 2021

For the 2020 – 2021 skating season, SCNV membership finished the year at 333 members, including 261 primary home club members, 20 basic skills members, and 50 secondary club members. This is down from last year's total of 361 members, or roughly an eight percent decrease in membership. This drop is almost certainly attributable to the pandemic, and the closure or curtailment of team activities, competitions, and for a time all opportunity to even practice on the ice. At the onset of the pandemic, the Membership Chair was projecting a twenty percent or greater reduction, so this is an extremely strong showing for club membership. In any other year, these numbers indicate that we would have seen a substantial increase. Additionally, SCNV saw its membership of US Figure Skating judges almost double, from four to seven over last season.

However, the news is not all good. While the number of basic skills members remained roughly constant, introductory club membership was down 25 percent, which shows an alarming reduction in the number of skaters entering the sport and will likely negatively impact the pipeline of future members and competitors. That being said, considering the circumstances, 2020 – 2021 was a very good season for club membership.

## Awards 2020 – 2021

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, there will be no SCNV trophies awarded for the 2020 – 2021 skating season. During this time, skaters had drastically reduced opportunities to skate, and most of the competitions which normally would figure heavily into trophy awards points were canceled. We are looking forward to the resumption of trophy awards in the 2021 – 2022 season.

## Competition Report

### **Cardinal Classic**

After cancelling the 2020 Cardinal Classic at the last minute, the committee is currently organizing the 2021 competition, postponed from the normal April date to June 4-6. Skaters are eager to get back to competitions, reflected in the overwhelming registration demand. We closed registration early and opened a waiting list, purchased additional ice, but could not accommodate everyone. Because of COVID-19 restrictions, there are no team events, although our theatre on ice teams plan to exhibit their programs.

### **2021 Championship Series**

The club working with Ion Figure Skating was selected to host the 2021 Championship Series in December 2020, which was envisioned to be an alternative to the qualifying structure during the pandemic. The joint

LOC geared up and was well into planning when US Figure Skating cancelled the series. SCNV and Ion have been selected to host the 2022 Championship Series, which will be held in late October 2021 at Ion International Training Center.

## **SCNV Annual Treasurer Report Fiscal Year 2021: May 1, 2020 – April 30, 2021**

SCNV revenues are primarily generated from Membership, Testing and the Cardinal Classic competition. Expenses are incurred from the Cardinal Classic competition, testing, and Club ice, which SCNV partly subsidizes to offer skaters an opportunity to practice with available coaching.

The end of reporting year 2019-2020 culminated with the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, SCNV cancelled the April 2020 Cardinal Classic competition, refunding competition registration. Ice rinks around the country closed, including SCNV's primary rinks, Fairfax Ice Arena and Prince William Ice Center.

### **MEMBERSHIP:**

As a result of rink closures, anticipated membership for 2020-2021 was expected to drop by as much as 30%. This percentage was not SCNV-specific, but the national average predicted by USFS.

2019 – 2020 Membership revenues: \$34,727

2020 – 2021 Membership revenues: \$29,273

Difference:     \$ 5,454                      % Change: 15.7% decrease

Membership expenses declined 15% as well.

Our membership remained strong throughout the pandemic, a result of continued testing and the ice rinks' reopening June 2020.

### **TESTING:**

While the May, June and July 2020 test sessions were cancelled, testing resumed in earnest.

Test revenue had minimal fluctuation: \$49,915 in previous year; \$47,624 current year.

Testing expenses followed similarly; \$43,902 in previous year; \$36,635 current year.

### **COMPETITION:**

The 2020 Cardinal Classic was canceled for April 2020. Registrations were refunded resulting in competition expenses for last year at \$53,945. The 2021 Cardinal Classic competition is scheduled for June 2021. Registration opened and closed prior to SCNV's April 30 year-end. Expenses associated with the June 2021 competition will be incurred in FY 2022. Normal expenses average \$35,000.

2020-2021 Competition Revenues: \$48,069

2020-2021 Competition Expenses: \$ 7,208

The majority of associated expenses to host the 2021 Cardinal Classic will be incurred in the current fiscal year, May 1, 2021 – April 30, 2022.

**CLUB ICE:**

SCNV purchases ice from one or both of our affiliated rinks, Fairfax Ice Arena and Prince William Ice Center. This year, we offered Club Ice to our members on Monday evenings and Sunday morning. In addition, Coach Jonathon Hodgkinson teaches a class on Monday evenings. Club ice subscriptions declined from last year.

2019-2020 Club Ice Revenues:

\$14,365

2020-2021 Club Ice Revenues: \$ 8,197

Difference: \$ 6,168 % Change: 43% decrease

Expenses associated with Club Ice decreased 37% as well.

To support our membership and skaters, SCNV continues to provide dedicated ice for the exclusive use of our members.

**OTHER EXPENSES:**

SCNV was selected to host the 2021 Championship Series scheduled for December 2020. While this competition was cancelled, SCNV has been asked to host the 2022 Championship series at the Ion International Training Center. During FY 2021, SCNV had expenses associated with the canceled competition of \$9,000, including a special platform and merchandise refunds, which make up the majority of miscellaneous expenses.

**2020-2021 FINANCIALS:**

As reported, SCNV ended FY 2021 with a net profit of \$45,164.72. This large profit is due to the 2021 Cardinal Classic shift in 2021 from April to June and no longer aligning with the close of our fiscal year. Specifically, revenues from registration were collected in FY 2021 while expenses for the competition will not be recognized until FY 2022.

On the Balance sheet side, SCNV checking is larger due to registrations. Cash on hand in the combined checking and savings accounts is substantially healthy to cover at least a full year of SCNV operating expenses.

The Board has allocated a transfer from SCNV's General Fund to the Collegiate Fund as scholarship awards will be distributed during the summer 2021. (The shortfall of \$2,757.50 resulted from FY 2020 scholarship award recipients.)