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**Announcement of the International Figure Skating Competition
for young skaters**

Kuopio, Finland 30.3-1.4.2007

Silver Skate 2007

Organized by: Kuopion Taitoluistelijat ry. (KuTa) Kuopio, Finland.

Venue: The Kuopio City Ice Rink, Kuopio, Finland.

Preliminary event schedule:

Wednesday 28.3 Hotel Scandic: official draw.

Friday 30.3. City Icerink: Competitions chicks and cubs.
Lippumäki Icerink: Official open practices 6-9 pm.

Friday 30.3. The official draw and dinner party.

Saturday 31.3. City Icerink: Competitions springs, debs: free program
Novices, juniors: short program.
Lippumäki Icerink: Official open practices 12-7 pm.

Saturday 31.3. Get-together party for skaters.
“Judgement evening” for all coaches and judges

Sunday 1.4. City Icerink: Competitions novices, juniors:
free program.

Gala exhibition.

Competitors: Competitions are open to single skaters. Skaters from
Kuopion Taitoluistelijat and invited visitors may participate.

Entry fee: 40 Euros per skater for chicks, cubs, and springs.
50 Euros per skater for debs, novices, and juniors.

Awarding: Three first standings in each competition will be awarded with
a cup and with a diploma. Special awards will be granted for
the most memorable presentations.

All the competitors will get a medal and a diploma.

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Competition will contain the following single skating categories:

Please see Annex B for categories and recommendations.

Music: CD.

Expenses: Travel expenses, board and accommodation will be borne by the participants. If a foreign judge is sent by a foreign competitor, the latter will be responsible of the judge`s travel. Judges will be granted lodging and a daily allowance. Expenses related to the competition`s technical management will be covered by the entry fees and by KuTa.

Accommodation: Accommodation possibilities will be forwarded in the 2nd announcement, beginning of February 2007.

Entries:

Email entries are encouraged, an entry form: *annex A*. Deadline is 10.3.2007. Entries received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Entries can be delivered e-mail or fax to the following addresses:

e-mail: hannu.jauhiainen@dnainternet.net
jari.karhu@nexstim.com

Fax: +358-17-173 244

The entry fee should be paid no later than 10.3.2007 on the account of the Kuopion Taitoluistelijat ry.(KuTa), Kuopion Osuuspankki 560005-2160543

The entry fee of foreign competitors can be paid in cash to the competition office during the competitions.

The entries for each category should be in the club`s order of preference in the case of need to limit the number of entries.

The organizer reserves the right to enter more competitors.

Cancellations: after 10.3.2007 only cancellations verified by a medical certificate will be refunded.

Liability: According to the ISU regulations, Rule 119, organizer accepts no liability for injuries or damage sustained by competitors or officials.

GALA:

We encourage strongly and ask for a special gala program with duration of max. 4 min / club.

The program may be performed by an individual competitor / group of competitors / any combination.

Please inform the organizer about the gala program and the performers in the entry.

The gala will be open for the public.

RECOMMENDATIONS, Annex B:

Please pay special attention to the recommendations – there will be no 6.0 judging.

Please note that Novices and Juniors may participate to short program only, to free program only, or to both.

Please remember that the program structure and the music information will be required as part of the entry of each competitor in Springs, Debs, Novices, and Juniors, Deadline March 20th.

Please fill the separate planned program component sheet by the deadline, return to hannu.jauhiainen@dnainternet.net

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LIST OF ENTRIES

CLUB

	SKATER'S NAME Last/first name	DATE OF BIRTH day/month/year	CATEGORY A/B	CLASS chicks,cubs,springs, debs,novices,juniors
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2. Judges' Entry

	Judge's name	Category

Team leader
Name (printed)
signature

tel..... e-mail.....

address.....

Coaches, chaperons

GALA

SILVER SKATE 2007 **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Chicks born 2000 or later (Finnish Star system judging)
music time 2min - 2 min 30 sec

Chicks born 1999 (Finnish Star system judging)
Music time 2min – 2 min 30 sec

Cubs born 1997/1998 (Finnish Star system judging)
Music time 2 min - 2 min 30 sec

Cubs born 1995/1996 (Finnish Star system judging)
Music time 2 min – 2 min 30 sec

Recommendations for Chicks and Cubs:

- single jumps
- 2-3 spins
- step sequence
- spirals

Springs (ISU scoring system)

- music time max. 2:40
- Born 1993 or later

- no more than 5 jump elements, one of axel type (girls and boys).
- no more than two jump combinations or jump sequences
- 1-3 double jumps

3 spins:

- solospin in one position (no change of foot, may be started with jump, at least 5 revolutions),
- combination spin (at least 2 revolutions in each position, change of foot may be presented, at least 8 revolutions),
- spin of any nature (solospin 5 revolutions, combination spin 8 revolutions)
- One spiral or step sequence

Debyants: (ISU scoring system)

- music time: girls: 3 min +/- 10 sec, boys 3 min 30 sec +/- 10 sec.
- Born 1993 or later

- 6 jump elements (girls) / 7 jump elements (boys), one of axel type, and no more than 3 combinations or series
- There shall be at least 4 double jumps.

- 3 spins:

- solospin in one position (no change of foot, may be started with jump, at least 5 revolutions),
- combination spin (at least 2 revolutions in each position, change of foot may be presented, at least 8 revolutions),
- camel spin with change of foot, 4 revolutions on each foot
- Spiral sequence (including at least two spiral positions in which free leg is over hip-level with duration of 3 sec/position, one of spiral positions must be presented without any assistance of hand or arm

Novice C (Finnish Star System judging)
"Taitajat"

- born 1995 or before (skaters over 11 years old)
- duration of program max. 3 min 30 sec
- at least 4 different single jumps
- at least one jump combination
- at least 3 spins: one spin combination with change of foot (at least 4 revolutions in each foot)
- two spins in any nature (at least 5 revolutions)
- step sequence
- spiral sequence

Junior B

- age: 13-18 years (ladies and men)

Short program (duration: max. 2 min 50 sec.)

- axel or double axel
- double jump with connecting steps
- jump combination (double-double, solojump may not be repeated)
- flying spin (at least 6 revolutions)
- layback spin (ladies) (at least 6 revolutions) / camel-camel or sit-sit change foot combination spin (men) (at least 5 revolutions in each foot)
- combination spin with one change of foot (at least 5 revolutions in both feet)
- step sequence (circular, serpentine or straight line)
- spiral sequence with at least 2 changes of positions (at least 3 spiral positions in which free leg is above hip-level (ladies)
- step sequence (circular, serpentine, straight line, different shape as the other) (men)

Free program (duration: max. 3 min 30 sec.)

- There shall be no more than 7 jump elements. At least one Axel type jump must be included. 1-3 jump combinations or jump sequences must be included. Only two jumps with three or more revolutions may be repeated in jump combination or jump sequence. Triple and quadruple jumps may be repeated only twice. Jump combinations with three jumps may be included once, in other jump combinations only two jumps are allowed.
- 3 spins: combination spin (at least 2 revolutions in each position, 10 revolutions total, change of foot may be included), solospin in one position (no change of foot, may be started with jump, at least 5 revolutions), one spin in any nature (solospin 5 rev., combination spin 10 rev.)
- step sequence (circular, serpentine or straight line) (ladies and men)
- spiral sequence (including at least 2 changes of positions and at least 3 spiral positions in which free leg is over hip-level and stays at least 3 sec) (ladies)

- step sequence (circular, serpentine or straight line, different form as the other)
(men)

ISU Novice

According to ISU Novice Rules and Regulations.

Short Program of no more than 2min 30 sec

Free Program of 3min plus or minus 10 sec for ladies and 3 min 30 sec plus or minus 10 sec for men

ISU Junior

According to ISU Junior Rules and Regulations.

Short Program of no more than 2 min 50 sec

Free Program of 3 min 30 sec plus and minus 10 sec for ladies and 4 min plus and minus 10 sec for men.

Program Component Factors are as follows

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JuniorB (short)	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
JuniorB (Free)	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Springs	2.0	1.0	1.6	0.6	0.8
Debs	2.0	1.2	1.6	0.8	1.0

HOTEL INFORMATION

We have agreed on a special price with the following hotels. Competitors should contact the hotel directly to reserve accommodation:

Hotel Scandic Kuopio ****, at lakefront, competitions hotel, 1,5 km to the City Ice Rink

61e/one person room/night
76e/two person room/night
91e/three person room/night

Includes breakfast, sauna, free use of swimming pool and gym.

Reservations: +358-17-195 2210, quote Silver Skate 2007.

Kuopio@scandic-hotels.com

Hotel Cumulus Kuopio, *** city hotel, 300 m walk to the City Ice Rink.

Address: Puijonkatu 32, Kuopio

58 EUR / single room / night
62 EUR / double/twin room / night
74 EUR / double/twin room with junior mattress / night
82 EUR / double/twin room with extra bed / night

The rates are net and per night inclusive of buffet breakfast, sauna and service charges.

Lunch or dinner at our restaurant is from 11 EUR / person.

Reservations: Puijonkatu 32, FIN-70100 Kuopio, Tel. +358-(0)17-617 711, fax +358-(0)17-6177 299

Hotel Savonia Best Western, *** neighbourhood hotel, 300 m walk to the City Ice Rink.

36 EUR / person / night / 2 person room
28 EUR / person / night/ 3 person room (limited amount)
62 EUR / person / night/ 1 person room

The rates are net and per night inclusive of buffet breakfast, sauna and service charges.

Reservations: Best Western Hotel Savonia / Puijo

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