



## NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2009

### WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We'd like to welcome several new members to the club. Please check the bulletin board at the Cube for updates and also the website at [www.findlaysilverblades.org](http://www.findlaysilverblades.org). It's not too late to join. Interested members can call Dan Beckett at 419-424-3118 or come to the Thursday or Saturday Group A lesson.

### OPEN PAID FREESTYLE

NEW! - Punch cards can now be purchased for open paid freestyle in the following denominations:

- \$160 – 20 punches
- \$80 – 10 punches
- \$40 – 5 punches

Purchased cards will be kept in safekeeping and a volunteer will punch the skater's card before each skated session. In addition there will be a sign-in sheet by the entrance to the ice for each skater to sign before entering. The walk-on price (without punch card) is \$10 per session. See Mary Pat Longo to purchase your card on Thursdays.

### ICE RULE REMINDER

Be respectful of other skaters and be aware and attentive to lessons being given and skaters skating to their music. If you haven't turned in your completed Ice Rules form, please give yours to Tracy Koehler or to a board member.

### TEAM COMPULSORY

Practices begin Sun., Oct. 18 at the Cube from 4:30-6:00. There are 5 teams and they include: FS 1, FS 3, FS 3, FS 4, and FS 5. Questions, call Tracy Koehler at 419-306-7512. *If you want to see what Team Compulsory is all about, come watch a practice.*

### COMPETITIONS

Dec. 4-6 – Taylor, MI\* - **Entry forms are due Oct. 23 for the Taylor Competition. The bulletin board and website have more information.**

Dec. 11-13 – Wayne, MI

Jan. 9-10 – Findlay Flag City\*

Jan. 15-17 – Westland, MI

Feb. 12-14 – Miami – Oxford, OH\*

(\*Compulsory Teams' competition schedule)

### VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to those who have signed-up to volunteer. It's very helpful to have music players and much appreciated. There are still openings for volunteering. See Maria Sellers or Kris Trenkamp for more information.

### TEST SESSION RESULT

Congratulations to the following skaters for passing tests on September 26:

Grace Berton – FS4	Jordan Trenkamp – FS1
Claire Bishop – FS1	Silverlyn Roth – FS2
Nicole Peterman – beta	Jennie Longo – gamma
Madeline Parker – delta	Meredith Boes – gamma & delta
Brooke Brigadoi - delta	

### NEXT TEST SESSIONS:

- Monday, Nov. 2 – FS 1 – FS 10 – **Test Applications are due to head pro Shelly Bressler by Monday, Oct. 26.**
- Thursday, Nov. 5 - Group A (beginners thru Delta) *Delta skaters working on FS 1 should consider a private coach to prepare for the FS 1 test. Skaters who are FS 1 and higher rely on private coaching to advance.*

### CLUB GROUP LESSON PROFESSIONALS

Melanie Cole – New skaters – Tot 4  
 Tracy Koehler – Pre Alpha    Terri Lynn Perry – Beta  
 Kim Fancher – Alpha            Brittany Redman – Gamma  
 Shelly Bressler - Delta

### HALLOWEEN PARADE

Silver Blades will have a float in the parade on Tuesday, Oct. 27 in downtown Findlay. Skaters are welcome & encouraged to walk with the float. More information will be sent.

**On Thursday, Oct. 29 skaters are invited to wear a Halloween costume that is suitable and safe to skate in for safety purposes. *No masks please.***

### EXTRA PRACTICE ICE

The University of Findlay is offering open paid freestyle time throughout the fall and winter for \$10 per hour payable to the University of Findlay.

**SUNDAYS – 5:15-8:15 P.M.**

### IMPORTANT DATES

Oct. 15 – SB Board Meeting @ 7:00 p.m. The Cube  
 Oct. 18 – Team Compulsory practices begin @ The Cube  
 Oct. 23 – Taylor MI Competition forms due  
 Oct. 26 – Freestyle Test Applications due  
 Oct. 27 – Findlay Halloween Parade  
 Oct. 29 – Wear Halloween Costume to skating  
 Nov. 2 – Freestyle Test Session  
 Nov. 5 – Group A Test Session  
 Nov. 21 – Max & Erma's Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

### MISSING

*The club is missing the SILVER BLADES BANNER and GARMENT STANDS FOR HANGING CLOTHES. If anyone knows their whereabouts, please contact Dan Beckett at 419-424-3118.*