

2008 Silicon Valley Open

Sanctioned by U. S. Figure Skating
Hosted by the Peninsula Skating Club



The 2008 Silicon Valley Open will be held at

Sharks Ice at San Jose
1500 South Tenth Street,
San Jose, California 95112

Host rink of the 2009 Central Pacific Regional Championships

August 6- 9, 2008

Entry Deadline: Postmarked July 1, 2008

Event entry is free for 2007 SVO final round winners of qualifying levels (juvenile- senior),
if skating at a higher level this year (2007 senior winners get free event entry).

Featuring World, International and National Officials

The Silicon Valley Open will consist of Basic Skills, Adult,
Pixie through Senior level Singles and Pairs Events.

IJS used for Juvenile, Intermediate,
Novice, Junior, Senior,
Adult Gold, & Adult Masters technical events.

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Silicon Valley Open General Rules

The 2008 Silicon Valley Open will be held on August 6 - 9, 2008 at the Sharks Ice at San Jose, 1500 South Tenth Street, San Jose, California, and will be hosted by the Peninsula Skating Club. Practice ice will begin on Wednesday, August 6, 2008.

For the 2008 season, the 2008 Silicon Valley Open will be recognized as a Performance Enhancement and Tracking Competition. In depth evaluations will be conducted for athletes assigned to international competitions or are being considered for selection by the ICES. In addition, presentations by U.S. Figure Skating will be included for parents, athletes and coaches. We are extremely excited and honored for our club to be chosen for this event.

This competition will be conducted in accordance with the rules of U. S. Figure Skating as set forth in the current 2007/2008 U. S. Figure Skating Rulebook except as noted in this announcement for special events and to comply with the 2008/2009 U.S. Figure Skating and ISU requirements as applicable. Eligibility to enter the competition is determined by the test qualification as stated herein. Age as of the closing date of entries shall govern. Also tests passed as of closing date of entries shall govern.

Pixie through Open Juvenile and Adult events having a large number of entries may be divided into groups as appropriate. There will be no final rounds for those events. Ladies' and Men's events may be combined when necessary for Spins, Compulsory Moves, and Artistic events.

Juvenile through Senior events having a large number of entries may be divided into groups as appropriate at the discretion of the referee. When events are divided into groups, an Elimination round will be held. **The Elimination round, when necessary, will consist of both the Short and Freeskating programs. Final Round will be the Freeskating program, and will be made up of no more than 12 skaters.** All events are combined events and may not be skated separately.

Warm-up groups may be adjusted up until the beginning of the event. For non-qualifying levels, the referee has complete discretion in the number of skaters in a warm-up group and may combine warm-up groups.

INTERNATIONAL JUDGING SYSTEM: The IJS will be used to determine all event results for Juvenile (Note: Open Juvenile will be judged using the 6.0 system), Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior, Adult Gold, and Adult Masters level skaters competing in singles and pairs. **All Juvenile, Intermediate, Novice, Junior, Senior, Adult Gold, and Adult Masters skaters should be sure to submit the attached PROGRAM CONTENT FORM by July 25, 2008.**

Entries (including online registration)

On-line registration is an alternative to filling out a paper application and sending it in. You can, of course, still do that. Visit the Peninsula Skating Club website at <http://www.peninsulaskatingclub.org> for details and to register. If you would like to enter the competition in the traditional way, entry blanks are attached and must be completely filled-in and mailed together with the entry fees to the Registrar

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Entries of partners for Pair events must be submitted together.

A \$25.00 charge will be made for all checks returned by the bank for any reason and substitute must be made by cashier's check or money order.

Entry fees shall be paid by check or money order payable to: Peninsula Skating Club
Entry fees are as follows:

\$50.00 – for Basic Skills Freeskating events
\$80.00 – for Non-Qualifying (Adult Pre-Bronze through Silver, Pixie through Open Juvenile)
Freeskating events
\$95.00 - for Juvenile, Adult Gold, Adult Masters, and Test Level Freeskating events

\$125.00 - for Intermediate through Senior (includes both short and long program)
\$110.00 - for Pairs events per couple per event
\$25.00 - for each additional event entered

Event entry is free for 2007 SVO final round first place winners of qualifying levels (Juvenile- Senior), if skating at a higher level this year (2007 senior winners get free event entry). Completed entry form, club permission and releases are required for processing.

Entries must be postmarked by July 1, 2008. Please do not send entries requiring a signature delivery confirmation. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Referee and the Competition Committee and only if accompanied by a \$35.00 late fee. The Local Organizing Competition Committee also reserves the right to cancel an event if there are insufficient entries. In accordance with Rule 3235, after the close of entries, fees will be refunded only if the event is not held and the skater chooses not to skate an exhibition, if one is offered. Exception: If there is a death in the skater's immediate family, a refund will be granted.

All requests for entry refunds must be received by the Competition Committee no later than 30 days after the 2008 Silicon Valley Open Competition.

Information

For any questions or additional information on the competition, please contact either:

Competition Co-Chair:
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Home: (408) 420-5650 No calls after 8:30 pm PT
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Competition Co-chair:
Deborah Hao
Home: (408) 531-8880 No calls after 8:30pm PT
E-mail: debbiesk88@yahoo.com

Registration

A registration desk will be set up inside the Sharks Ice at San Jose on the first day of competition. All entrants are required to register and be ready to skate at least 30 minutes prior to their scheduled event.

Ice Surface

Sharks Ice at San Jose is a quad surface indoor facility each skating surface is 85' x 200' with slightly rounded corners.

Admission

Admission is free to all spectators.

Bulletins and Notices

An official bulletin board will be maintained in the lobby area of the Sharks Ice at San Jose and will contain official information only. The Official Schedule showing the starting time of each event and the draw will be posted on this board. Notices posted on this board are considered sufficient notice to all entrants. The bulletin board should be checked frequently for any changes in the schedule.

Trial Judges

Qualified judges who desire the opportunity to trial judge the events must seek permission from the appropriate Regional Vice Chair Judges Committee prior to July 1st. A fee of \$30.00 will be charged for the processing of all trial paperwork, payable to the Trial Judge chair on your arrival. Officials judging at the competition will not be charged the trial judge fee.

Music

Music will be reproduced from CD's (only CD-R's are acceptable. There are too many incompatibility problems with the CD-RW format) which, in order to give maximum satisfaction, must be in good condition when supplied by the entrant at registration. Although, every care will be taken, it is recommended that the entrant have an extra CD available as a precaution against loss or damage.

The CD must be in a plastic case and clearly marked with entrant's name and event, with one program CD. CD's are to be turned into the registration desk at the time of registration or at least 30 minutes prior to the start of the entrant's event. Music is to be picked up promptly at the conclusion of each event at the registration desk. The Competition Committee will not be responsible for CD's that are not picked up.

Warm-up time

Warm-up times will be twice the program length but with a minimum of three minutes and a maximum of six minutes. Warm ups may be combined at the discretion of the chief referee.

Critiques

Critiques will be available for a nominal fee. Skaters will be critiqued by a member of the judging panel that officiated on their event. **Critique location and times will be posted on the official bulletin board and will generally occur right after the event concludes. Critique sign-ups must be made in advance. Sign-ups are on the Entry Forms.**

Awards

All skaters placing 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th will receive medals in the elimination round, and final round

Special Ernie Burden Award

To honor the memory of Ernie Burden, who was a long time skater, judge and member of our club, the Burden family has created an annual award, the Ernie Burden Award. The award will be given to the Novice Men's competitor whose program and choreography, in the final Freeskating round, best fits the music of their program. This award is for the competitor to keep.

Schedule of Events

For planning purposes, a provisional schedule would have Short Programs on Thursday, Freeskate Programs on Friday and Final rounds on Saturday for qualifying levels. For non-qualifying levels a provisional schedule would have Freeskating Programs on Friday and Artistic Programs on Saturday.

A preliminary schedule of events for the competition will be posted on the Peninsula Skating Club website (www.peninsulaskatingclub.org) in advance of the competition. The skating order for each event shall be posted not later than 12 hours before the start of the event. Official schedules will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board in the rink.

Entrants are expected to be in the arena and ready to skate at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled time. Any schedule changes will be posted on the Official Bulletin Board.

Practice Ice

Practice Ice will be provided by Sharks Ice in San Jose. Details on schedule and signing up will be posted on the Peninsula Skating Club website (www.peninsulaskatingclub.org) in advance of the competition.

Practice ice will be available on Wednesday for qualifying levels and Thursday for non-qualifying levels in the same ice rink as the competition. Additional practice ice will be available on competition days, but may not be available in the same rink as the competition.

Event Descriptions

Where competition rules are specified, they refer to the 2007/2008 U. S. Figure Skating Rulebook and are to comply with the 2008/2009 rules.

Basic Skills Freeskating

Basic Skills 1 Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skating tests. Group 1A shall not have attained the age of 7 and Group 1B shall not have attained the age of 10.

Freeskating will be a 1 minute program set to music. Elements:

- Marching while moving
- Two Foot Jump in place
- Forward Swizzles- from standing still (3 times)
- Moving Forward Swizzles (3 times)

Basic Skills 2 Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skating tests. Group 2A shall not have attained the age of 7 and Group 2B shall not have attained the age of 10.

Freeskating will be a 1 minute program set to music. Elements:

- Snowplow Stop (One foot or two foot)
- Forward Swizzles (10 minimum)
- Bunny Hop (5 maximum)
- Back Wiggles or Back Swizzles (Ten minimum)
- Dip (Deep knee bend while gliding on two feet)
- Forward One Foot Glides (Left and right foot)

Basic Skills 3 Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skating tests. Group 3A shall not have attained the age of 10 and Group 3B is open with no age restrictions.

Freeskating will be a 1 minute program set to music. Elements:

- Forward Crossovers (5 minimum each direction)
- Backward Crossovers (5 minimum each direction)
- Forward Inside Mohawk (Followed by an extended backward outside edge)
- T-Stop (Either foot)
- Two Foot Spin (Optional entry)

Basic Skills 4 Open to skaters who have not passed any U.S. Figure Skating Moves in the Field or Free Skating tests. Group 4A shall not have attained the age of 10 and Group 4B is open with no age restrictions.

Freeskating will be a 1 minute program set to music. Elements:

- Forward Outside Edges (two on each foot)
- Forward Spiral (Either on an edge or flat)
- One Foot Spin (entry from backward crossovers, optional free leg position)
- Waltz Jump (preceded by at least 3 backward crossovers)
- Half-Flip

Singles Freeskating

- Pixie:** Age 8 and under and who have not passed any USFSA tests.
- Freeskating will be a 1 to 1 ½ minute program set to music. Waltz jumps, salchows, toe loops and half flips and half lutzs are the only jumps permitted. Upright spins only.
- Pre-Preliminary 1:** Open to skaters who have not passed their Preliminary freeskating test.
- Freeskating will be a 1 to 1 ½ minute program set to music. Jumps include waltz, salchow, toe loop and all half jumps. No loop, flip or lutz. Upright spins only.
- Pre-Preliminary 2:** Open to skaters who have not passed their Preliminary freeskating test.
- Freeskating will be a 1 to 1 ½ minute program set to music. See Section 3721 for a well balanced program description.
- Pre-Preliminary 3:** Open to skaters who have not passed their Preliminary freeskating test.
- Freeskating will be a 1 to 1 ½ minute program set to music. See Section 3711 for a well balanced program description.
- Preliminary:** Open to skaters who have passed their Pre-Preliminary freeskating but not their Pre-Juvenile freeskating test.
- Freeskating will be a 1 minute 30 second program set to music. See Section 3701 for a well balanced program description.
- Pre-Juvenile:** Open to skaters who have passed their Preliminary freeskating but not their Juvenile freeskating test.
- Freeskating will be a 2 minute program set to music. See Section 3691 for a well balanced program description.
- Open Juvenile:** Open to skaters aged 13 and over who have passed their Pre-Juvenile freeskating but not their Intermediate freeskating test.
- Freeskating will be a 2 minute 15 second program set to music. See Section 3681 for a well balanced program description.
- Juvenile:** Open to skaters who have passed their Pre-Juvenile but not their Intermediate Freeskating test. Open to skaters age 12 and under.
- Freeskating will be a 2-minute and 15 second program set to music. See Section 3681 for a well balanced program description.
- Intermediate:** Open to skaters who have passed their Juvenile but not their Novice Freeskating test.
- Short Program is described in Rule 3671 and shall not exceed 2 minutes.
- Freeskating will be a 2 minute 30 second program set to music. See Section 3672 for a well balanced program description.
- Novice:** Open to skaters who have passed their Intermediate but not their Junior Freeskating test.
- Short Program is described in Rule 3661 and 3662 and shall not exceed 2 minutes and 30 seconds.
- Freeskating: Ladies will be a 3 minute program set to music.

Men will be a 3 minute and 30 second program set to music.
See Section 3663 for a well balanced program description.

Junior: Open to skaters who have passed their Novice but not their Senior Freeskating test.

Short Program is described in Rule 3651 and 3652 and shall not exceed 2 minutes and 50 seconds.

Freeskating: Ladies will be a 3 minutes and 30 seconds program set to music
Men will be a 4-minute program set to music.
See Section 3653 for a well balanced program description.

Senior: Open to skaters who have passed their Junior Freeskating test.

Short Program is described in Rule 3641 and 3642 and shall not exceed 2 minutes and 50 seconds.

Freeskating: Ladies will be a 4 minute program set to music.
Men will be a 4 minute and 30 seconds program set to music.
See Section 3643 for a well balanced program description.

Young Adult Pre-Brz: Open to skaters ages 18-20 who have passed no higher than Standard Pre-Preliminary FS; NO tests are required.

Program not to exceed 1:40. See Section 3806 for a well balanced program description.

Young Adult Bronze: Open to skaters ages 18-20 who have passed the Standard Preliminary FS test.

Program not to exceed 1:40. See Section 3801 for a well balanced program description.

Young Adult Silver: Open to skaters ages 18-20 who must not have passed the Standard Juvenile FS test.

Program not to exceed 2:10. See Section 3791 for a well balanced program description.

Young Adult Gold: Open to skaters ages 18-20 who must have passed no higher than the Standard Juvenile FS test.

Program not to exceed 2:40. See Section 3781 for a well balanced program description.

Young Adult Masters: Open to skaters ages 18-20 who must have passed the Intermediate Freeskating test.

Program not to exceed 3:40. See Section 3741 for a well balanced program description.

Adult Pre-Bronze: Open to skaters who have passed no higher than Standard Pre-Preliminary FS or the Adult Pre-Bronze FS; NO tests are required.

Program not to exceed 1:40. See Section 3806 for a well balanced program description.

Adult Bronze: Must have passed the Adult Pre-Bronze FS test and no higher than the Adult Bronze FS test, the Standard Preliminary FS test.

Program not to exceed 1:40. See Section 3801 for a well balanced program description.

- Adult Silver: Must have passed the Bronze FS test and no higher than the Adult Silver FS test, the Standard Juvenile FS test.
Program not to exceed 2:10. See Section 3791 for a well balanced program description.
- Adult Gold: Must have passed the Adult Silver FS test and no higher than the Standard Juvenile FS test.
Program not to exceed 2:40. See Section 3781 for a well balanced program description.
- Adult Masters: Must have passed the Gold FS test or Intermediate Freeskating test.
Program not to exceed 3:40. See Section 3741 for a well balanced program description.

Pair Freeskating

- Preliminary: Open to skaters who have not passed their Juvenile Pair test.
Freeskating will be a 1 minute and 30 second program set to music. See Section 4101 for a well balanced program description.
- Juvenile: Open to skaters who have passed their Preliminary Pair but not their Intermediate Pair Freeskating test.
Freeskating will be a 2 minutes and 30 second program set to music. See Section 4081 for a well balanced program description
- Intermediate: Open to skaters who have passed their Juvenile Pair but not their Novice Pair Freeskating test.
Freeskating will be a 3 minute program set to music. See Section 4071 for a well balanced program description
- Novice: Open to skaters who have passed their Intermediate Pair but not their Junior Pair Freeskating test.
Short Program is described in Section 4061 and shall not exceed 2 minutes and 50 seconds.
Freeskating will be a 3 minute and 30 second program set to music. See Section 4062 for a well balanced program description
- Junior: Open to skaters who have passed their Novice Pair but not their Senior Pair Freeskating test.
Short Program is described in Section 4051 and shall not exceed 2 minutes and 50 seconds.
Freeskating will be a 4 minute program set to music. See Section 4052 for a well balanced program description
- Senior: Open to skaters who have passed their Junior Pair Freeskating test.
Short Program is described in Section 4041 and shall not exceed 2 minutes and 50 seconds.
Freeskating will be a 4 minute and 30 seconds program set to music. See Section 4042 for a well balanced program description

Test Level Freeskating

Competitors must be 20 years of age or younger. Test level events will be judged using the 6.0 system. Penalties:

- 0.1 each mark for each illegal element
- 0.1 each mark per 10 seconds time violation
- 0.1 in 1st mark for insufficient revolutions
- 0.1 in 1st mark for step sequence not fully utilizing the ice
- 0.2 in 1st mark for each technical element not permitted in the event description

Skater may enter only one free skating event, either test level or standard, but not both. For example, a skater entering Novice Test Level may not also enter Novice Free Skate.

Juvenile Test Level: Open to skaters who have passed their Pre-Juvenile but not their Intermediate Freeskating test.

Freeskating will be a 2-minute and 15 second program set to music.

Jumps: Maximum of six (6) jump elements including any single jumps, Axel permitted. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.

Spins: Three (3) spins in any position of which one must be a spin combination with at least one change of foot (minimum 2 revolutions in each position and 4 on each foot). All spins may have flying entries. Minimum four (4) revolutions are required for spins other than the combination spin(s).

Steps: One step sequence straight line, circular or serpentine fully utilizing the ice surface.

Intermediate Test Level: Open to skaters who have passed their Juvenile but not their Novice Freeskating test.

Freeskating will be a 2 minute 30 second program set to music.

Jumps: Maximum of six (6) jump elements including any single jumps and double jumps may only be the double Salchow and double toe loop. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.

Spins: Three (3) spins in any position of which one must be a spin combination with at least one change of foot (minimum 2 revolutions in each position and 4 on each foot). All spins may have flying entries. Minimum four (4) revolutions are required for spins other than the combination spin(s).

Steps: One step sequence straight line, circular or serpentine fully utilizing the ice surface.

Novice Test Level: Open to skaters who have passed their Intermediate but not their Junior Freeskating test.

Freeskating: Ladies will be a 3 minute program set to music.
Men will be a 3 minute and 30 second program set to music.

Jumps: Maximum of seven (7) jump elements including any single jumps and double jumps may only be the double Salchow, double toe loop and double loop. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.

Spins: Three (3) spins in any position of which one must be a spin combination with at least one change of foot (minimum 2 revolutions in each position and 5 on each foot). All spins may have flying entries. Minimum six (6) revolutions are required for spins other than the combination spin(s).

Steps: One step or spiral sequence. See Rule 3640 for descriptions.

Junior Test Level: Open to skaters who have passed their Novice but not their Senior Freeskating test.

Freeskating: Ladies will be a 3 minutes and 30 seconds program set to music
Men will be a 4-minute program set to music.

Jumps: Men: Maximum of eight (8) jump elements including any single jumps and double jumps may only be the double Salchow, double toe loop, double loop and double flip. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.

Ladies: Maximum of seven (7) jump elements including any single jumps and double jumps may only be the double Salchow, double toe loop, double loop and double flip. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.

Spins: Three (3) spins, of which one must be a spin combination consisting of all three positions and one change of foot (minimum 2 revolutions in each position and 5 on each foot), one a flying spin and one a spin with only one position. Minimum six (6) revolutions are required for spins other than the combination spins.

Steps: Men: Two step sequences of a different nature. Ladies: One step sequence and one spiral sequence. See Rule 3640 for descriptions.

Senior Test Level: Open to skaters who have passed their Junior Freeskating test.

Freeskating: Ladies will be a 4 minute program set to music.
Men will be a 4 minute and 30 seconds program set to music.

Jumps: Men: Maximum of eight (8) jump elements including at least four (4) different double jumps, one of which must be a double Lutz. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.

Ladies: Maximum of seven (7) jump elements including at least four (4) different double jumps, one of which must be a double Lutz. Jump combinations and sequences are allowed.

Spins: Four (4) spins, of which one must be a spin combination consisting of all three positions and one change of foot (minimum 2 revolutions in each position and 5 on each foot), one a flying spin and one a spin with only one position. Minimum six (6) revolutions are required for spins other than the combination spins.

Steps: Men: Two step sequences of a different nature. Ladies: One step sequence and one spiral sequence. See Rule 3640 for descriptions.

Spins

An event to encourage and reward quality spins. Test requirements are the same as listed under Freeskating. The events will be held on 1/2 ice, which will be coned. Spins should be skated in a short routine (no music) within 1/2 of the ice surface including a minimum of connecting steps. Excessive additional elements will be penalized. The numbers in the () indicate the minimum number of revolutions required for the spin.

Level	Required Spins
Pixie	One foot upright (3); two foot spin (3); sit (3)
Pre-Preliminary	One foot upright (3); one foot back (3); sit (3)
Preliminary	One foot upright (4); one foot back (4); sit (4)
Pre-Juvenile:	Camel (3); front scratch to back scratch (3/3); camel to sit with no change of foot (6 total)
Open Juvenile:	Layback spin for ladies (4) or forward camel for men (4); combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least two positions (8 total).
Juvenile:	Layback spin for ladies (4) or forward camel for men (4); combination spin with at least one change of foot and at least two positions (8 total).
Young/Adult Pre-Bronze	One foot upright spin (3); two foot upright spin (3)

Young/Adult Bronze:	One foot upright spin (4); one foot back spin (3); sit spin (3)
Young/Adult Silver:	Camel spin (3); Layback, attitude or sit spin (4); combination spin with only one change of position. Change of foot optional.
Young/Adult Gold/Masters:	Forward to Back camel spin (3+3); Sit spin (4); Layback spin for ladies (4) or forward camel for men (4).

Compulsory Moves

Test requirements are the same as listed under Freeskating. Compulsory Moves will be skated on ½ ice surface without music. Moves may be done in any order, without stops between elements. Additional or repeated elements and excessive footwork will be penalized. Combination jumps may not have a change of foot or turn between the jumps. An axel is considered a single jump. Required individual jumps cannot be repeated as part of the combination jump, (i.e. the flip jump can not be repeated in the combination for Preliminary). All spins must have a minimum of 3 revolutions per foot.

Level	Required Moves	Maximum Time
Pixie	waltz; toe loop; forward spiral; two foot spin	1 minute
Pre-Preliminary	loop; salchow; forward spiral; one foot spin	1 minute
Preliminary	flip; sit spin; combination of 2 single jumps; forward spiral	1 minute
Pre-Juvenile	lutz; combination of 2 single jumps one of which must be a loop; front scratch spin to back scratch spin; camel spin; forward spiral.	1½ minute
Open Juvenile	Axel; split, stag or falling leaf; one jump combination (single or double allowed); layback spin for ladies or a forward camel spin for men; forward sit spin.	1½ minute
Juvenile	Axel; split, stag or falling leaf; one jump combination (single or double allowed); layback spin for ladies or a forward camel spin for men; forward sit spin.	1½ minute
Young/Adult Pre-Bronze	waltz; salchow; one foot upright spin; spiral; lunge	1 minute
Young/Adult Bronze	Salchow; toeloop; loop; one foot upright spin; sit spin	1 minute
Young/Adult Silver	Loop; flip; salchow; camel; layback or sit spin; jump combo	1½ minutes
Young/Adult Gold/Masters	Axel; lutz; salchow; camel change camel; layback or sit spin	1½ minutes

Artistic

There are no restrictions on the artistic music; vocal or instrumental may be used. Costumes must be in accordance with US Figure Skating rules. No scenery is allowed, and props may not be used unless they are carried throughout the performance. Artistic test requirements are the same as listed under freeskating. For adult events use rules 3810 and 3811. Judges will consider the skater's choreography, style and presentation, as well as the use of skating moves to interpret the music. The difficulty and/or number of jumps and spins will not be a value factor. These technical elements will be judged solely on how well they help the skater to interpret the music. Since this event is focused on artistic expression, the Pre-Preliminary category is not broken down by axel and no axel. For jump restrictions use Rule 3680-3720.

Pixie:	A program up to 1 ½ minutes.
Pre-Preliminary:	A program up to 1 ½ minutes.
Preliminary:	A program up to 2 minutes.
Pre-Juvenile:	A program up to 2 minutes.
Open Juvenile:	A program up to 2 minutes.
Juvenile:	A program up to 2 minutes.
Young Adult/Adult:	A program up to 2 minutes.
Young Adult//Adult Masters:	A program up to 2 minutes.

Lodging

Reservations must be made by July 9th to take advantage of the special rates negotiated and to guarantee space. The San Jose area hotels sell out in the summer months. **Please reserve your room early.**

Wyndham Hotel
1350 North 1st Street
San Jose, CA. 95112
Phone: 408-453-6200

Rates: \$94.00 + Room Tax. You must mention "SVO" or Silicon Valley Open to get this rate. The hotel provides free airport shuttle and free hotel parking.

Other Hotels in the area:

Hilton Towers
300 Almaden Blvd
San Jose, CA
(408) 287-2100

Hampton Inn & Suites
55 Old Tully Rd
San Jose, CA
(800) 601-6778

SILICON VALLEY OPEN ENTRY FORM

To use the online registration, see the Peninsula Skating Club website at <http://www.peninsulaskatingclub.org>.

Note: If you register online, you will need to pay the entry fees by Paypal. Setting up a Paypal takes less than five minutes but you can also use Paypal to pay fees with a credit card even without setting up an account.

Name: _____ Sex: _____ Birth Date: _____ Age: _____
 Address: _____ Day Phone: _____
 City/State/Zip: _____ Evening Phone: _____
 E-mail address _____
 USFSA#: _____ Home Club: _____
 Highest Test Passed - Free Skate: _____ Pairs: _____
 Coach's Name: _____
 Coach's Phone Number: _____ Coach's E-mail _____

EVENT	Freeskating	Pairs	Test Level	Compulsory Moves	Spins	Artistic
Basic Skills 1						
Basic Skills 2						
Basic Skills 3						
Basic Skills 4						
Pixie						
Pre-Preliminary 1						
Pre-Preliminary 2						
Pre-Preliminary 3						
Preliminary						
Pre-Juvenile						
Open Juvenile						
Juvenile						
Intermediate						
Novice						
Junior						
Senior						
Young Adult Pre Bronze						
Young Adult Bronze						
Young Adult Silver						
Young Adult Gold						
Young Adult Masters						
Adult Pre Bronze						
Adult Bronze						
Adult Silver						
Adult Gold						
Adult Masters						

Basic Skills	\$50.00
Non-Qualifying Event (Pixie-Open Juvenile freeskating, artistic, spins or compulsory moves)	\$80.00
Qualifying Freeskating - Juvenile, Adult Gold, Adult Masters, Test Level	\$95.00
Qualifying Freeskating - Intermediate – Senior, includes short and long program	\$125.00
Pairs (both partners application must be submitted together)	\$110.00
Additional Events	\$25.00/event
Late Fee (for entries postmarked after July 1, 2008)	\$35.00

Event entry is free for 2007 SVO final round winners of qualifying levels (Juvenile- Senior), if skating at a higher level this year (2007 Senior winners get free event entry). Entry form, permission and releases required.

Critique sign-up: \$20.00 per segment. Additional \$10.00 per segment if signed up after close of entries, and subject to approval from referee.

Select segment to be critiqued:
SP (Intermediate – Senior) _____
FS (All Freeskate Events) _____

Program Ads: Wish your skater "good luck" with a 1.5" square program ad for only \$10! Pick an icon and add a message (30 letters max):



Message: _____

Competition Fee: _____
Critique Fee: _____
Program Ad Fee: _____
Late Fee: _____
Total Amount Enclosed: _____

Please include critique and advertising fees as part of the entry fees. Fees MUST accompany the entry form. Make checks or money order payable to "Peninsula Skating Club" and mail (no signed delivery receipts please) to:

Laura Dobbs
16153 Devor Circle
Riverside, CA 92507
Home Phone: 951-688-8120 No calls prior to 8 am or after 8:30pm PST
E-mail: svoreg@att.net

Entry fees must be postmarked by or no later than July 1, 2008

ALL ENTRIES MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY SIGNED CLUB CERTIFICATION, AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT, AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY FORMS. ENTRIES WITHOUT ALL SIGNED FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED. CLUB CERTIFICATIONS FOR ON-LINE ENTRIES SHOULD BE SENT TO THE ENTRY ADDRESS ABOVE. (Peninsula Skating Club members are not required to submit club certification.)

CLUB CERTIFICATION

I hereby approve the entry of _____ and certify that he/she: Is a member of my club in good standing for the 2008-2009 competition season; to the best of my knowledge is eligible to enter the specified event; is eligible in accordance with rules of U. S. Figure Skating; and is following a standard and complete educational program in full compliance with the contestant's home state.

Date: _____ Club Official: _____

Club: _____ Title: _____

AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT

Special medical information (allergies, pre-existing condition, etc.):

Name of Physician: _____
Phone: _____
Insurance Company: _____
Policy Number: _____
Name of Insured: _____

In the event I am unavailable, I hereby give permission for any emergency medical treatment for:
(Skaters Name) _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed name and relationship (parent or guardian)

RELEASE OF LIABILITY:

In consideration of my participation in any U.S. Figure Skating program or Basic Skills activity, I acknowledge that I understand the nature of the activity and that I, and/or my minor child, am qualified, in good health, and in proper physical condition to participate in such activity. I acknowledge that if conditions are unsafe, I and/or my minor child will immediately discontinue participation in the activity.

I fully understand that skating involves risks of serious bodily injury, including permanent disability, paralysis, and death, and that these and other risks may be caused by my own actions, or inactions, those of others participating in the event, the conditions in which the event takes place, or the negligence of the Releasees named below; and that there may be other risks either not known to me or not foreseen at this time; and I fully accept and assume all such risks and all responsibility for losses, costs, and damages I incur as a result of my participation in the activity.

I hereby release, discharge, and covenant not to sue U.S. Figure Skating, its Member Clubs, and the Peninsula Skating Club their respective administrators, directors, agents, officers, volunteers, and employees, and any sponsor and advertisers of any U. S. Figure Skating sanctioned event in which I participate (each considered one of the Releasees herein) from all liability, claims, demands, losses, or damage on my account caused or alleged to be caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the Releasees. This release, waiver of liability and express assumption of risk agreement does not apply to any liability, claims, demands, losses, or damages arising out of the gross negligence of, or intentional, willful or wanton misconduct of Releasees. If I, or anyone on my and/or my minor child's behalf, makes a claim which does not arise from the gross negligence of, or intentional, willful or wanton misconduct of Releasees from any loss, liability, damage, or cost which any may incur as the result of such claim.

I acknowledge that I have read this release, waiver of liability and express assumption of risk agreement and fully understand it.

SIGNATURE OF PARTICIPANT
(only if age 18 or over)

SIGNATURE OF PARENTAL/LEGAL GUARDIAN
(if participant is under age 18)

Date
