

# *43rd Annual Providence Open Competition*

Featuring

*The Little New England Championships*

Presented by

*The Pawtucket and Providence Figure Skating Club*

At Providence College's Schneider Arena

331 Huxley Avenue  
Providence, RI 02918

**IJS events will be using the mini-system.**

**Get a critique before New Englands with ample time to make changes to your Program!!!**

**Secure online registration for the Providence Open and Little New England Championships at [www.ppfsc.org](http://www.ppfsc.org)**

**Simply follow the links for the competition information; use the link to register for the competition and pay with either an electronic check or credit card. A processing fee of 3½% will be added to each entry.**



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**Date**            September 9-11, 2011

**Location:** Schneider Arena at Providence College, 331 Huxley Avenue, Providence RI 02918.

**Deadline**        Entries must be submitted no later than midnight, August 5, 2011.

**Fees**

For the first IJS event, the fee is 90.00.

For all subsequent IJS events, the fee is \$60.00.

For entrance into Little New England Events (LNE), the fee is \$90.00.

For the first non-IJS or non-LNE Competitive Test Track (CTT) program, including Showcase, the fee is \$75.00.

For all subsequent non-IJS, the fee is \$55.00

For compulsory moves, the fee is \$40.00.

For dance events, the fee is \$40.00 per event.

For the Herb Kaplan Memorial Fourteen Step Solo, there is no fee.

**Late Fee:**        Late applications through August 12, 2011 will be accepted at the discretion of the club and will carry a \$50.00 late fee.

**Withdrawals:** Withdrawals on or prior to August 5<sup>th</sup> will receive a full refund less the processing fees.

**Withdrawals after August 5<sup>th</sup> will not be refunded.**

**Refunds**        After August 5<sup>th</sup>, refunds less any processing fees will be given only if an event has been cancelled.

**Note**            **SPECIAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE TAKEN WHEN SELECTING THE EVENTS TO BE ENTERED – ANY CHANGES AFTER AUGUST 5 WILL BE ASSESSED AN ADDITIONAL \$25.00.**

**Return Checks/Contested Credit Card Charges:** Checks returned for non-sufficient funds and contested credit card charges will be assessed a \$25.00 fee. Payment of the fee will be required before skater is allowed to participate in practice ice or events.

**Entry Form**    *Only Entry-eeze applications will be accepted. No paper entries will be allowed.*

**Contact:**        For information, please contact Debbie Merry at [debmerry@verizon.net](mailto:debmerry@verizon.net) .

**Rules** We will be using the 2011-2012 US Figure Skating rules including the rule changes that became effective on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. See US Figure Skating website for details.

Skaters may skate up one level in Providence Open events; however skaters in LNE events must skate at their level effective August 5<sup>th</sup>. LNE test levels will be verified. Skaters may enter only ONE Little New England event.

**SKATERS MAY ENTER EITHER THE COMPETITIVE TEST TRACK OR THE STANDARD FREE SKATE PROGRAM BUT NOT BOTH DURING THE PROVIDENCE OPEN.**

For all events where permitted by USFS, male and female skaters may compete against each other if there are insufficient entries to hold a separate event. The competition committee reserves the right to limit the size of each event, to cancel any event, to combine and/or to divide categories as necessary.

**Music** CD's WITH NO PAPER LABELS; ONE TRACK PER CD IN A RECOGNIZABLE FORMAT. USE MUSIC RULES FROM THE USFS.

**Schedule** Time schedules and practice ice availability will be posted on our website ([www.ppfsc.org](http://www.ppfsc.org)) as soon as possible after the deadline date. **PLEASE DO NOT CALL.**

**Awards** **Medals will be presented** for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place finishers in each event. However, trophies will be presented to the top 4 finishers in the final round of the Little New England Championships and for the Herb Kaplan Memorial Fourteen Step Solo.

**Special Features** Critiques will be available for only IJS Juvenile through IJS Senior events in preparation for the New England Regional Championships. **All competitors skating in IJS events need to submit the PROGRAM CONTENT FORM in the online registration system (go to your account and click on the "Planned Program Content" tab). The deadline to submit the PPC online is August 5, 2011.**

Skaters entering Little New England Events will compete in initial and final rounds to determine the Little New England Champions at each level. In Little New England events, the top four from each flight will advance to final round.

**Test & Age** Test and age status is effective as of August 5, 2011.

**Hotels** Marriott, Charles and Orms Streets, Providence, RI - (401) 272-2400  
Hilton, 21 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI - (401) 831-3900  
Comfort Inn, 2 George Street, Pawtucket, RI - (401) 723-6700

**Practice Ice** Practice Ice will be available at a cost of **\$15.00 for 15 minutes** and can be purchased online as soon as the schedule is available.

In addition, practice ice will be sold at the rink for **\$20.00 for 15 minutes** during the competition if there are any slots available.

**Admission fees:** **One competitor pass and one chaperone pass will be issued to each competitor. There will be an admission charge for spectators.**

**Coach Registration:** Per U.S. Figure Skating rules, the name of the coach of each skater must be on the *US Figure Skating Approved Coaches List*. The coach will need to sign-in at the registration desk and show a government-issued photo I.D. to receive a credential. No non-credentialed coaches will be allowed in the coaching box.

**PROVIDENCE OPEN FREE SKATE EVENTS      IJS Events are indicated with \***

<b>Event</b>	<b>Requirements</b>
Senior Short*	Senior Free Skate Test
Senior Free Skate*	Senior Free Skate Test
Junior Short*	Junior Free Skate Test
Junior Free Skate*	Junior Free Skate Test
Novice Short*	Novice Free Skate Test
Novice Free Skate*	Novice Free Skate Test
Intermediate Short*	Intermediate Free Skate Test
Intermediate Free Skate*	Intermediate Free Skate Test
Juvenile Free Skate*	Juvenile Free Skate Test
Adult Gold Free Skate	21 years or older
Adult Silver Free Skate	21 years or older. No double jumps.
Adult Bronze Free Skate	21 years or older. No double jumps.
Competitive Test Track Senior Free Skate	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
Competitive Test Track Junior Free Skate	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
Competitive Test Track Novice Free Skate	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
Competitive Test Track Intermediate Free Skate	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
Competitive Test Track Juvenile Free Skate	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.

**NOTE: All program times per 2011 – 2012 US Figure Skate Rule Book.**

**LITTLE NEW ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIP FREE SKATE EVENTS**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Requirements</b>
Competitive Pre-Juvenile test track	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
Pre-Juvenile	Pre-Juvenile Free Skate (axels and up to 4 double jumps permitted)
Competitive Preliminary Test Track	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
Preliminary	Preliminary Free Skate Test- (axels and up to 2 doubles permitted)
Competitive Pre-Preliminary Test Track	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
Pre-Preliminary	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Test (axels-no doubles)
Competitive Beginner Test Track	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
<b>Beginner</b>	No Free Skate Test (single jumps only- no axels)
<b>Limited Beginner Test Track</b>	See competitive test track rules on US Figure Skating website.
<b>Limited Beginner</b>	First competition-single jumps only

**PROVIDENCE OPEN INDIVIDUAL COMPULSORY MOVES EVENTS**

<b>Event</b>	<b>Time Limit</b>	<b>Element 1</b>	<b>Element 2</b>	<b>Element 3</b>	<b>Element 4</b>	<b>Element 5</b>
Novice - Senior	1:30 (full ice)	Double Loop	Straight line step sequence	Flying camel or sit spin	Combination Spin - 1 foot change, 3 position changes	Combination Jump - one must be double (no turn or step between)
Intermediate	1:00 (full ice)	Double Toe Loop or Double Salchow	Axel	Footwork sequence	Combination Spin - 1 foot change, 1 position change	Combination jump One must be a double (No turn or step in between)
Juvenile	1:00 (half ice)	Axel	Lutz	Footwork sequence	Combination Spin - 1 foot change	Combination Jump - 2 singles (no turn or step between)
Pre-Juvenile	1:00 (half ice)	Loop	Flip	Backward Spiral	Camel/Sit Spin no change of foot	Combination Jump - 2 singles (no turn or step between)
Preliminary and Adult	1:00 (half ice)	Salchow	Forward Spiral	Backward Crossovers in Figure 8.	One Foot Spin	Combination Jump - Waltz/Toe Loop
Pre-Preliminary	1:00( half ice)	Waltz jump	Forward spiral	Forward outside edges	two foot spin	Toe loop

**PROVIDENCE OPEN SHOWCASE EVENTS**

Please refer to National Showcase rules and guidelines at the US Figure Skating website. Please state the theme of the program on the application. Note: Boys and girls may be combined in the same event.

**PROVIDENCE OPEN DANCE EVENTS**

<b>Open Dance</b>	<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Dances (as per Rule Book)</b>
<b>Herb Kaplan Memorial 14 Step</b>	<b>Open to all solo skaters- no fee to enter</b>	<b>Fourteen Step (3 patterns)</b>
<b>Shadow Dance</b>	<b>Requirements for Both Partners *****</b>	<b>Dances (2 patterns unless noted)</b>
Senior	Not more than 3 Golds	<b>Quickstep</b>
Junior	Not more than 2 Golds	Blues
Novice	Not more than 1 Pre-Gold	Rocker Foxtrot
Intermediate	Not more than 3 Pre-Silvers	Fourteen step
Preliminary	Not more than 2 Bronzes	Fiesta Tango
Beginner	Not more than 3 Preliminaries	Dutch Waltz
<b>Solo Dance</b>	<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Dances (2 patterns unless noted)</b>
Senior	Not more than 3 Golds	Viennese
Junior	Not more than 3 Golds	<b>Kilian (3 patterns)</b>
Novice	Not more than 1 Pre-Gold	American Waltz
Intermediate	Not more than 3 Pre-Silvers	Foxtrot
Preliminary	Not more than 2 Bronzes	Cha Cha
Beginner	Not more than 3 Preliminaries	Rhythm Blues

**\*\*\*\*\* One partner must skate at the level; the other partner may be no more than 2 levels higher.**

**ONLINE ENTRY ONLY AND MUST BE COMPLETED BY MIDNIGHT ON AUGUST 5, 2011**