

Winter Solo Dance Announcement

October 2023

Dear Head Coaches and Club Administrators,

Due to the unprecedented number of skaters entering the Winter Solo Dance event, we have had to make the difficult decision to make amendments to the scheduled events.

It is fantastic to see such a high volume of skaters dedicated to competing in our final event of this season but this unfortunately presents us with a number of organisational challenges. We are committed to addressing this in 2024 and a full review all national Dance events will take place before announcing next year's information.

Event amendments

1. For full pattern dances only one (1) sequence will be skated (as per rule 7). **Excluding event 5.**
2. For events 14 and 15, this will change to **one solo and one duo**. Only two dances will be skated.

Event 14

Solo – Skaters March Duo – City Blues

Event 15

Solo – Roller Samba Duo – Siesta Tango

3. **Event 5** – This event will be run on Friday evening, it is the smallest event with 9 competitors. Please can clubs with skaters in this event contact the Director of Dance to confirm if the skaters are able to compete. The rink will be available from 6pm.
4. Roller Cup – Non-Medallist will continue to be judged on the white system for the final.
5. All show events will be rebranded as the “Open Challenge” and these events will not be judged by GBSA Officials but guest judges. Remember these events are all about show and not technical ability.

There are 18 groups entered across the two show events. There will be training for these groups on Friday night, **10mins each club**, if your club would like training time, please can you email the Director of Dance stating the **club's name and show number**. The rink will be accessible from 6pm, on confirmation of numbers for Event 5 and show training, allocated timings will be circulated with flexibility to accommodate club requests where possible.

Please send all replies to hod@gbskateartistic.co.uuk by **Friday 27th of October**.



The running order will be published over the coming days, but I can advise the timings will be as follows:

Saturday – 07.00 to 21.20

Sunday – 07.00 to 18.30

On Saturday results and presentations will be run throughout the day. There will be a presentation area created (with podium and banners) off the rink.

On Sunday the presentations will run after the final event, but results will be posted throughout the day. **All Roller Cup presentations will be made on Sunday for dance and free dance.**

I apologise for the unforeseen changes and inconvenience caused but we are committed to delivering the final competition of the season and would rather make these changes than cancel any events. **If clubs are unable to accommodate the changes full refunds will be given if skaters wish to withdraw.**

Kind Regards

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