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Killarney Skating Club and Skate Canada Manitoba to Host the 2016 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships on February 6 & 7, 2016

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Stacey Ganske, Event Chairperson, is pleased to announce the Killarney Skating Club and the Skate Canada Manitoba Section are hosting the 2016 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships at the Shamrock Centre in Killarney, MB on February 6 & 7, 2016.



This competition provides the teams the opportunity to qualify for the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships in Novice, Intermediate, Open, Junior and Senior categories. The top team in each of the five qualifying categories in every Region may advance to the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships. This national competition will take place from February 19-21, 2016 at the Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex in Waterloo, Ontario.

Shauna Marling, Executive Director Skate Canada Manitoba thanked the Killarney Skating Club, and its volunteers for hosting this exciting and fun event. Marling explained that synchronized skating is a specialized discipline of skating involving groups of eight or more skaters performing various group formations and maneuvers. The objective is for the team to perform as one unit by executing circles, blocks, lines, wheels and intersections in unison to the music while demonstrating quality edges, power and flow. Marling added Synchronized Skating is very exciting and fun to watch.

Over three hundred skaters on 31 teams, from all across Canada, will compete at this competition with 7 teams representing Manitoba and Saskatchewan working towards qualifying for the national competition. The Killarney Skating Club invites everyone to attend this competition and enjoy some excellent Synchronized Skating.



Non-qualifying events are also integrated into the competition. This provides an opportunity for very young to adult skaters to participate in the event. Eight levels are represented starting from Beginner I and II up to Pre-Novice and Adult I –III. This provides the participants to watch higher level skaters and to experience the challenges and personal growth involved in competing at each level. Skaters experience self-satisfaction in achieving competitive goals, learning about Canada and meeting competitors from across the region, and experiencing the camaraderie of traveling as part of a team.

Tickets for the 2016 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships are available at the Shamrock Centre.

Schedule information can be found at:

<http://sec0manitoba.wpengine.com/competitions-3/prairie-regional-synchronized-skating-championships/>

Admission to this competition is \$5.00 per day. Programs are \$3.00

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For more information – contact Shauna Marling, Executive Director skate.exec@sportmanitoba.ca or 204-925-5708 (W), Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm.

OR

On the weekend – Stacey Ganske, Event Chairperson at 204-534-0785 (cell) or grelect@mts.net