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Skate Canada Manitoba Sectionals 2017 Saturday, November 5th & Sunday, November 6th, 2016 Access Event Centre, Morden, Manitoba

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The Skate Canada Manitoba Sectional Figure Skating Championship will select the top skaters in Manitoba to advance to Skate Canada Challenge, ultimately leading to the Canadian Figure Skating Championships.

This event allows Manitoba to feature our talented skaters, train officials and volunteers, recognize sponsors, and provide entertaining skating for the public. Skaters will travel from across the province to challenge themselves.



On November 5th and 6th, Skate Canada Manitoba Sectional Championships will be hosted by the Morden Figure Skating Club & Skate Canada Manitoba. The competition will be located at the Access Event Centre (111-D Gilmour Street in Morden, Manitoba). Over 65 figure skaters will be competing from the pre-juvenile to the senior levels for the opportunity to be the top skaters in the province. The 3 top skaters at the Pre-Novice and Novice levels and the top 2 at the Junior and Senior levels will have the opportunity to continue on to the Skate Canada Challenge in Pierrefonds, Quebec to be held November 30th to December 4th, 2016. For Novice, Junior and Senior skaters, this will be the qualifying event for Canadian Tire National Skating Championships. The Canadian Pre-Novice Champions in men's, women's, pair and ice dance are determined at Skate Canada Challenge.

"Skate Canada Sectionals is the start to the biggest qualifying event of the season, with skaters hoping to make it to Skate Canada Challenge in Pierrefonds in December followed by the National Championships in Ottawa in January of 2017," said Donna Yee, Skate Canada Manitoba Board Chair. "It is very exciting for all the skaters to experience this level of competition and to dream about someday competing on the International stage."

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For information on this event or other Skate Canada or Skate Canada Manitoba programs or initiatives please contact Shauna Marling, Executive Director at skate.exec@sportmanitoba.ca or at 204-925-5708. Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

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