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### **Stonewall Skating Club and Skate Canada Manitoba to Host the 2018 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships on February 10-11, 2018**

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Tara Glaspey, Event Chairperson, is pleased to announce the Stonewall Skating Club and the Skate Canada Manitoba Section are hosting the 2018 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships at the Veterans Memorial Skating Complex in Stonewall MB on February 10 & 11, 2018.



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 23-25, 2018 in Oshawa, Ontario.

Shauna Marling, Executive Director Skate Canada Manitoba thanked the Stonewall 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 30 teams, from Manitoba and Saskatchewan, will compete at this competition. The Stonewall Skating Club invites everyone to attend this competition and know they will enjoy the beauty and athleticism of this sport.



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 –II. 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 2018 Prairie Regional Synchronized Skating Championships will be available at the door during the competition. The prices are Adult \$5/Daily Pass Senior (60+) \$3/Daily Pass Student (6-17) \$3/Daily Pass Child (under 6) Free.

Schedule information can be found at <https://mbskates.ca/competitions-3/prairie-regional-synchronized-skating-championships/>

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