



**Saskatchewan Amateur Speed Skating Association  
Annual General Meeting  
Saturday June 1, 2024  
Start time -12:00 pm**

**Location: 1870 Lorne St. (Regina)  
510 Cynthia Street, Saskatoon (Room 140) &  
Zoom Video Conference:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85292808434?pwd=SQCqzddQ3wFwfTlcXu8Y98CEeWupPD.1>



## **Annual General Meeting**

### **Agenda**

12:00 PM, Saturday June 1, 2024

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Agenda
3. 2023 Annual General Meeting Minutes
  - a. Approval
  - b. Business Arising
4. Membership Development Update
5. Appointment of Scrutineers
6. Reports
  - a. President: Chris Veeman
  - b. Executive Director: Jordan St.Onge
7. New Business
  - a. Presentation of the 2023-24 Financials
  - b. Appointment of Auditor for 2024-25
  - c. Club Updates
  - d. Coaching & Officials Upgrades
  - e. 2024-2025 Schedule of Events
8. Motions and Recommendations
  - a.
9. Nomination Committee Report – Election of Officers and Appointment of Directors
10. Announcements – 2024 Fast is Fun Camp & the 2025 SASSA AGM
11. Adjournment

## 2023 SASSA AGM Minutes

10:00 AM, Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023  
Video Conference

### Attendance:

Jordan St.Onge	Tim Comfort	Norm Cloutier
Ben Capili	Chris Veeman	Jamie Simpson
Margot Benning	Rob Makowsky	Marie Fish
Sharlese Tubman		

### 12. Call to Order

Order was called at 10:04 AM

### 13. Approval of Agenda

**Motion:** To approve the agenda for the 2023 SASSA AGM.

**Moved:** Marie Fish

**Seconded:** Rob Makowsky

**Carried**

### 14. 2022 Annual General Meeting Minutes

**Motion:** To approve the 2022 SASSA AGM Minutes.

**Moved:** Jamie Simpson

**Seconded:** Rob Makowsky

**Carried**

c. Business Arising

No business arising from the 2022 SASSA AGM minutes

### 15. Membership Development Update

- a) There was discussion regarding our total membership. Our numbers are down this year. This is troubling because we were not able to capitalize after the Olympics last year. There was discussion on how to attract new members into our sport.

### 16. Appointment of Scrutineers

**Motion:** Any voting that is needed, will be conducted through email.

### 17. Reports

c. **President: Chris Veeman**

**Highlights:** As submitted

d. **Sask Winter Games: Margot Benning**

**Highlights:** As submitted

e. **Provincial Coach: Tim Comfort**

**Highlights:** As submitted

f. **Executive Director: Jordan St.Onge**

**Highlights:** As submitted.

### 18. New Business

**f. Presentation of the 2022-23 Financials**

Jordan presented the 2023 audited Financial Statements.

**g. Appointment of Auditor for 2023-2024**

**Motion:** To appoint Dudley and Company as the auditor for the 2023-2024 fiscal year.

**Moved:** Jason Coutu

**Seconded:** Marie Fish

**Carried**

**h. Club Updates**

**Regina-** Margot discussed the year the Regina Speed Skating Club had. They ran a successful Learn to Skate program. It was a busy year for the Club skaters with a full season of competitions. Furthermore the Regina Club hosted the Sask Winter Games, the Regina Short Track Meet and hosted a Long Track Mini Meet. There were two skaters from the Regina Club that skated at the Canada Winter Games.

**Saskatoon-** Rob stated that the Saskatoon Club has many young skaters in their Group 1 and Learn to Skate Program. Saskatoon hosted the Fast is Fun camp this year. They also hosted the Medals on Tour Event that Speed Skating Canada organized. The Saskatoon Club hosted the Prairie Opener Short Track Meet, the John Sands Long Track Meet and Canadian Youth Short Track West. Their silent auction was a big hit and led to the meets being profitable. Another huge success was the Fiber Glass mesh that was installed at the Oval. This led to great ice that did not chip with changes in the weather. The John Sands Skater program hosted 9 School Classes from Saskatoon that were able to try the rental skates on the ice. The Saskatoon Club had many skaters take part in the Sask Winter Games and Canada Winter Games. Finally registration was shifted to IceReg. It worked really well collecting fees and it was even used for Competition Registration.

**Moose Jaw-** Ben discussed the Learn to Skate program that had 31 skaters this year, which is close to the average. The Moose Jaw Club had a draw at the end of the Year for every Personal Best time skated. That was very popular with the kids. The Fish Bowl Short Track meet was very well attended. The Club is gearing up to host the Fast is Fun camp this summer in Caronport.

**Melville-** Jamie stated that their Learn to Skate numbers were good. They had several skaters going to meets this year. They expect the Active Start skaters to return to the Club next year. Thanks to the fundraising efforts the Melville Club had a surplus this past year. The Melville Club hosted a successful Meet this past year. The Pin Program was used and the skaters seemed to like it. The Club gave out Personal Best ribbons this year, which was a hit with the kids. Two skaters from the Melville Club attended Canadian Youth Short Track West in Saskatoon.

**Prince Albert-** No report submitted.

**Nipawin-** No report submitted.

i. **Official Upgrades-**

We have requested to Speed Skating Canada that Rob Makowsky be upgraded to a Level 3 Starter. Furthermore, Jason Coutu ran a Level 1 Clinic that was very well attended.

**Coaching Upgrades**

Fundamentals: {Certified} Olivier Larocque, Olivia Moyses, Michael Stoicescu

{Trained} Sharlese Tubman, Landon Tubman, Shailyn Brown

Intro to Comp: {Certified} Olivier Larocque, Liam Dallaire

{Trained} Olivia Moyses, Alex Fish, Abby Chegwin, Sharlese Tubman.

j. **2023-2024 Schedule of Events**

Here is the planned schedule of events for next season.

**Long Track:**

Saskatoon Long Track Meet- Jan 13-14, 2024

Regina Long Track Meet- Jan 27-28, 2024

**Short Track:**

Prairie Opener Short Track Meet (Warman) - Oct 21-22, 2023

Regina Short Track Meet- Nov 4-5, 2023

Melville Short Track Meet- Dec 2, 2023

Fish Bowl Short Track Meet (Caronport) – Mar 9-10, 2024 (tentative)

19. **Motions and Recommendations**

1. **Motion:** None

20. **Nomination Committee Report – Election of Officers and Appointment of Directors**

**VP Competitions:**

**Nominations:** Marie Fish nominates Jason Coutu

VP Competitions acclaimed by **Jason Coutu**

**Member at Large (2 year term):**

**Nomination:** Ben Capili nominates Marie Fish

Member at Large acclaimed by **Marie Fish**

**Member at Large (1 year term):**

**Nomination:** Margot Benning nominates Norm Cloutier

Member at Large acclaimed by **Norm Cloutier**

**Athlete Rep:**

**Nominations:** Jason Coutu nominates Cara Harms

Athlete Rep acclaimed by **Cara Harms**

**VP Finance:**

**Nominations:** Chris Veeman nominates Michelle Beveridge

VP Finance acclaimed by **Michelle Beveridge**

**VP Membership Development:**

**Nominations: None**

VP Membership Development will remain vacant

**21. Announcements –**

- a) The Fast is Fun Camp is scheduled for August 26-27, 2023 in Caronport.
- b) The 2024 SASSA AGM will be held Saturday June 1 2023.

**22. Adjournment**

**Motion:** To adjourn the 2023 SASSA AGM at 11:31 AM

**Moved:** Jamie Simpson

**Carried**

## Reports

### **2024 Presidents Report**

The 2023-2024 season was a season of transition because of the resignation of the Provincial Coach in mid-season (November 2023). Speed Skating Saskatchewan adapted as quickly as possible to try to reduce the adverse impact on our skaters. The Board elected to provide coaching to skaters participating in national level meets through contracts with several different Comp/Dev certified coaches.

The resignation of the Provincial Coach provided an opportunity to reconsider our approach to provincial coaching. We formed a coaching committee consisting of representatives from each club to discuss how to proceed. This led to a job posting and recruiting process to find a new coach; the process remains underway at the present time.

While the above changes were a major focus of Speed Skating Saskatchewan's attention during the season, in many ways the season unfolded in the normal manner. All active Saskatchewan clubs hosted meets in 2023-24: Saskatoon, Regina, Melville, Prince Albert and Moose Jaw all hosted ST meets, which were all successful. Saskatoon and Regina also hosted LT meets.

The above meets were dependent on our strong volunteer corps, and even more so on our dedicated officials. The Officials Development Committee is currently working on proposals to improve recruitment of officials to better share the load

Saskatchewan skaters performed at a high level at both local, regional, national and international competitions, winning medals at each level of competition – including representing Saskatchewan on Team Canada's gold-medal winning Team Pursuit at Junior Worlds in Hachinohe, Japan. We currently have three skaters on the National Team/NextGen (Graeme Fish, Marc-Andre Doyon, Luca Veeman).

Speed Skating Sask is in good financial shape due to strong support from Sask Lotteries / Sask Sport. This is in part due to our athlete's success at major events such as the Canada Winter Games, as well as the sport's history of producing Olympic athletes. However, areas of focus for the next year continue to be membership and club development. We need to provide as much support as possible to existing clubs, while also looking for opportunities to look for speed skating ambassadors in areas that don't have clubs (North Battleford, Estevan/Weyburn and La Ronge, in particular).

Respectfully Submitted,

Chris Veeman  
President, SASSA

## 2024 Executive Director Report

It was a challenging season this year, due to our Provincial Coach resigning from his position on November 15th, 2023. I am proud of the way we came together as an organization to get through the season. We had great Coaching at every National Level meet this year, which was great to see.

Our skaters trained very hard and did very well this year. The Canadian Youth Short Track and Long Track Championships were at point of pride; where we took home several medals. We also looked good doing it, with the new Youth Team Sask Skin Suits. We also invested in Lane Helmet Covers, which worked really well at our Provincial Meets.

On the International side we had very strong performances from Graeme Fish at the ISU Four Continents (5000m Silver) and ISU World Cup #5 (5000m Bronze) in Salt Lake City. Luca Veeman did great at the World Junior Long Track Championships winning a Gold Medal in the Team Pursuit event. They were recognized by their strong performances with back to back SaskSport Athlete of the Month Awards in January and February respectively.

We also had Moyca Stoffel receive several International assignments as a Long Track Referee, which was amazing to see.

In terms of membership, we had a total membership of 551 members during this past season. Our total membership increased by 90 members (*from 461*). The credit for this increase goes to our clubs for finding new ways to attract athletes into our sport.

Financially SASSA continues to be in a strong position. We have \$260,886.19 dollars in our RBC Premium Money Market Investment Fund as of March 31<sup>st</sup>. Sask Speed Skating has a projected surplus of \$1,946 dollars this fiscal year. This is close to our Budgeted amount.

The breakdown for SaskSport Annual Funding and MAP Grant for next fiscal year is...  
2024-25: Annual Funding: **\$204,200** MAP Grant: **\$17,800.**

Lastly, I would like to thank all of our coaches, officials, skaters and volunteers that have made this season possible. The amount of volunteer hours put in is remarkable and is vital to the success of our skaters.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jordan St.Onge  
Executive Director, SASSA



# Membership Comparison 1998-2024

	Active Start	FUNDamentals	Learning to Train	Train to Train	Junior B	Junior A	Neo Senior	Senior	Master	Associate	Life Time	Recreational	Spec Event*	2023-2024	2022-2023	2021-2022	2020-2021	2019-2020	2018-2019	2017-2018	2016-2017	2015-2016	2014-2015	2013-2014	2012-2013	2011-2012	2010-2011	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004	2002-2003	2001-2002	2000-2001	1999-2000	1998-1999		
Battlefords																				9															2	8	15	18	30		
Humboldt																							3	4	4	23	27	27	22	172	73	61	15	20	22	21	13	25	46		
Melville	5	5	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	25	23	45	32	39	45	26	41	47	24	26	22	28	32	25	39	65	60	57	64	54	73	87	104	126	159		
Moose Jaw	21	5	17	7	0	0	0	4	1	15	0	0	0	73	56	63	67	53	63	86	149	162	159	84	126	106	115	118	116	105	110	99	140	160	188	216	169	156	191		
Nipawin																10	2	7	10	12	5	4	4	4	4	4	6	6	11	9	6	18	15	12	17	10	29	29	24		
Prince Albert	16	7	2	6	2	1	0	0	0	30	0	1	0	65	74	65	35	60	65	56	54	57	50	39	31	35	57	38	64	84	61	116	51	36	52	37	25	38	50		
Regina	10	10	13	8	1	1	0	0	1	29	0	2	0	75	49	65	66	60	65	110	137	132	101	57	84	93	120	119	106	130	133	146	144	139	165	182	161	162	144		
Saskatoon	69	47	29	21	2	7	3	1	19	91	15	9	0	313	259	257	240	260	257	228	269	254	296	234	253	188	270	208	179	407	448	308	220	266	346	317	267	301	318		
Swift Current																																									
Melfort																																									
Kindersley																																									
2023-2024	121	74	64	44	5	9	3	5	21	175	15	15	0	551																											
2022-2023	101	34	52	38	9	8	3	2	16	149	15	34	0	461																											
2021-2022	179	24	48	52	6	17	6	2	6	220	13	20	0		593																										
2020-2021	81	31	36	49	10	13	5	1	0	196	13	7	0			442																									
2019-2020	87	53	36	46	11	4	6	2	1	208	13	12	0				479																								
2018-2019	26	64	51	53	13	2	3	4	8	197	13	71	0					505																							
2017-2018	67	55	47	53	5	5	1	4	2	213	13	62	0						527																						
2016-2017	120	58	48	41	17	1	2	7	3	286	13	59	0							655																					
2015-2016	64	88	46	56	13	8	5	5	4	322	14	31	0							656																					
2014-2015	35	78	45	50	12	8	13	2	2	317	13	59	48									637																			
2013-2014	18	60	44	38	10	8	9	7	3	205	13	33	0										448																		
2012-2013	43	71	37	51	16	10	11	0	6	249	13	17	0											524																	
2011-2012	21	60	45	44	22	10	15	1	9	227	15	8	0											477																	
2010-2011	49	80	53	55	19	13	16	3	19	285	15	5	15													612															
2009-2010	33	40	41	38	43	22	19	20	16	243	14	4	8														533														
2008-2009	37	44	48	46	29	27	15	16	11	240	14	10	21															537													
2007-2008	48	37	41	55	35	29	18	14	11	288	12	14	370																602												
2006-2007	35	33	50	43	43	26	15	20	10	294	13	17	292																	599											
2005-2006	15	34	66	47	38	19	13	27	14	284	8	28	212																		593										
2005-2004	29	39	45	57	33	31	13	30	12	285	15	7	218																			596									
2004-2003	26	65	54	52	33	28	14	24	17	295	15	8	56																				631								
2003-2002	22	48	76	53	44	25	15	23	20	309	17	42	171																						694						
2002-2001	26	51	68	45	45	22	11	23	5	326	17	78	164																							717					
2001-2000	41	61	70	56	43	25	14	30	6	277	12	39	118																								717				
2000-1999	43	67	58	68	49	19	14	26	12	271	11	34	195																								674				
1999-1998																																								962	
1997-2010 Age Classes	Cradle	Peewee	Bantam	Midget	Juvenile	Junior	Intermediate	Senior	Master	Associate	Life Time	Recreational	*Spec Event																												

\*After 2008, SSC and Sask Sport no longer counted Special Event Members as full members, many of these members came from school programs and were no longer recorded after this as they would not count towards membership levels.

Years following an Olympics

## 2024-25 Budget

Account Name	2023-2024 Budget	2024-2025 Budget
<b>Revenue</b>		
<b>1.) Saskatchewan Lotteries Trust</b>		
Annual Funding	199,000	204,200
MAP Grant	17,300	17,800
Hosting Grant	3,000	3,000
Sask Sport Coaching Grant	48,700	45,000
Future Best Grant	0	0
	<b>\$268,000</b>	<b>\$270,000</b>
<b>2.) Self Help - Internal</b>		
Meet Registration Fees	4200	4400
Officials Clinic Fees	500	500
Coaches Clinic Fees	400	500
Provincial Summer Camp Fees	6500	6800
Other Camp Fees	5000	5000
<b>COMPETITION &amp; CLINIC FEES</b>	<b>16600</b>	<b>17200</b>
SASSA Membership Fees	18500	19000
SSC Membership Fees	8200	9200
SASSA Affiliation Fees	1575	1575
<b>MEMBERSHIP FEES</b>	<b>28275</b>	<b>29775</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>320</b>
	<b>45195</b>	<b>47295</b>
<b>3.) Self Help - External</b>		
<b>Sponsorship</b>	<b>5200</b>	<b>5000</b>
<b>Fundraising</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2000</b>
<b>Interest</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>4000</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>3600</b>	<b>4100</b>
	<b>13800</b>	<b>15100</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$326,995</b>	<b>\$332,395</b>
<b>Expenses</b>		
<b>Administration</b>		
Administration Salary	66000	66500
Administration Benefit Costs	10000	10500
<b>Administration Salaries/Benefits</b>	<b>76000</b>	<b>77000</b>
<b>Audit</b>	<b>3500</b>	<b>3500</b>

<b>Insurance</b>	<b>2825</b>	<b>2825</b>
Office Rent and Storage	4150	4300
Telephone and Fax	2200	2300
Office Supplies	500	500
Printing and Copying	300	300
Postage	315	320
Bank Charges	320	310
<b>OFFICE OPERATIONS</b>	<b>7785</b>	<b>8030</b>
	<b>90110</b>	<b>91355</b>
<b>Capacity/Interaction</b>		
Volunteer Recognition	295	275
Staff Recognition	0	0
<b>AWARDS AND RECOGNITION</b>	<b>295</b>	<b>275</b>
Sask Sport AGM	0	0
SASSA AGM	700	700
SSC AGM	3400	3500
<b>CONFERENCES/SYMPOSIUMS</b>	<b>4100</b>	<b>4200</b>
<b>Cost of Sales</b>	<b>3600</b>	<b>3900</b>
<b>SaskSport Hosting Grant</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>3000</b>
<b>SASSA Nat. Event Hosting Grant</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2000</b>
Marketing/Promotions	5000	5000
<b>MARKETING/PROMOTIONS</b>	<b>5000</b>	<b>5000</b>
Executive Meetings	285	300
Committee Expenses	400	400
<b>MEETINGS (BOARD, COMMITTEE, AGM)</b>	<b>685</b>	<b>700</b>
<b>Planning/Policy Meetings</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>800</b>
Staff Professional Development	500	500
<b>PROFESSIONAL/LEADERSHIP DEV.</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>500</b>
Association Membership Fees	200	200
Administration Expenses	1100	1090
<b>PROGRAM/ADMIN COSTS</b>	<b>1300</b>	<b>1290</b>
	<b>21280</b>	<b>21665</b>
<b>Participation</b>		
LT Camp	7500	7800
Provin. Summer/Fast is Fun Camps	7900	8000
ST Camp	3100	3000
<b>ATHLETE DEVELOPMENT - COMPETITIONS</b>	<b>18500</b>	<b>18800</b>
Membership Development	11000	11500
New Club Development	2000	1500

<b>ATHLETE DEV. INTRO/PARTICIPATION</b>	<b>13000</b>	<b>13000</b>
Coaches Clinics Levels 1-2	3500	3325
<b>COACHING DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>3500</b>	<b>3325</b>
<b>Officials Clinics - Levels 1-2</b>	<b>3300</b>	<b>3150</b>
	<b>38300</b>	<b>38275</b>
<b>Excellence</b>		
<b>Athlete Dev. - Athlete Assistance</b>	<b>17000</b>	<b>18000</b>
Meet Registration Fees	6175	6000
<b>ATHLETE DEV. - COMPETITION</b>	<b>23175</b>	<b>24000</b>
Oval Training Centre	10000	10000
<b>ATHLETE DEV. - TRAINING</b>	<b>10000</b>	<b>10000</b>
Coaches Clinics - Levels 3+	6600	6100
<b>COACHES DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>7000</b>	<b>6100</b>
Electronic Timing System Training	5000	6000
Officials Development	4000	3000
<b>OFFICIALS DEVELOPMENT</b>	<b>9000</b>	<b>9000</b>
	<b>49175</b>	<b>49100</b>
<b>Categorical Grants</b>		
<b>MAP</b>	<b>17,300</b>	<b>17,800</b>
Provincial Coach - Salary	<b>81,000</b>	<b>82,000</b>
Provincial Coach - Benefits	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,500</b>
Provincial Coach - Travel	<b>6,400</b>	<b>6,500</b>
<b>Total Categorical Grants</b>	<b>114,700</b>	<b>116,800</b>
<b>Other</b>		
<b>SSC Membership Fees</b>	<b>8200</b>	<b>9200</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8200</b>	<b>9200</b>
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$326,995</b>	<b>\$332,395</b>
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$321,765</b>	<b>\$326,395</b>
<b>Difference</b>	<b>\$5,230</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>

## **2024-2025 Schedule of Events**

### **SHORT TRACK MEETS**

- Prairie Opener Short Track Meet (Warman): October 18-19, 2024
- Regina Short Track Meet: November 2-3, 2024
- Melville Short Track Meet: December 7, 2024
- Prince Albert Short Track Meet: March 1, 2025
- Fish Bowl Short Track Meet (Caronport): March 2025 (tentative)

### **LONG TRACK MEETS**

- Western Canadian Outdoor Classic Long Track Meet (Saskatoon): January 18-19, 2025
- Regina Long Track Mini Meet: January 2025 (tentative)