



FALL / WINTER RECREATION

DATES TO NOTE, LAST CLASS DATES, FAQ

(September 26 – December 21, 2017)

Pre CanSkate A thru D and CanSkate 1 & 2

*****IMPORTANT*****

The following dates are dates to make note of for *this semester of* classes (September 26 thru December 21, 2017). Any and all cancellation dates listed below have been taken into account already in your skater's fees as they were 'known' dates at the time of your registration; members were NOT charged for these dates. Please take a moment and make note of the days below that affect your skater's usual skating day.

- **September 26th – Startup date for FALL / WINTER Semester classes. Please note, you will begin your class on your own respective days and times.**
- September 2017 – Noralta Annual General Membership Meeting (AGM) (Date and Time TBD)
- October 7th (Saturday) – Thanksgiving Weekend – No Classes.
- October 28th (Saturday) – Ringette Special Event – No Classes.
- October 31st (Tuesday) – Halloween – No Classes.
- November 2nd (Thursday) – Coaches away for Sectionals Competition. No Classes.
- November 4th (Saturday) – Coaches away for Sectionals Competition. No Classes.
- November 11th (Saturday) – Remembrance Day. No Classes.
- November 18th (Saturday) – Test Day. No Classes.
- November 23rd (Thursday) – Coaches away for Competition. No classes.
- November 25th (Saturday) – Coaches away for Competition. No Classes.
- December 16th (Saturday) – Noralta's Ice Show. No Regular Classes.

Purdy's fundraiser (for CanSkate 1 & 2 families ONLY) – For those who chose to sell Purdy's as their Fundraising Obligation for this semester, the Fundraising Chairperson will be available for you to pick up your case of chocolates the first class.

LAST CLASS DATES:

- Pre CanSkate A, B (Tuesdays) December 19th (12 classes)
- Pre CanSkate C, D (Thursdays) – December 21st (11 classes)
- CanSkate 1 (Tuesday/Saturday) – December 19th (17 classes)
- CanSkate 2 (Thursday/Saturday) – December 21st (16 classes)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. **How many classes do I get?** (How come there are days when there are no classes?) *Each Pre CanSkate session is typically 10 classes each semester, however, there are almost always holidays or other user group Special Events that interrupt our ice time. When we calculate fees for each semester, any reduction in classes is accounted for. Saturdays, in particular (as a lot of holidays or Special Events fall on this day) is the most affected day. Saturday's fee for class, therefore is LESS than any other.*
2. **Are the classes above going to be made up?** *Classes noted as not running were known so there is no necessity to make up the classes. Families did not pay for these classes in their registration.*
3. **When is next registration?** *Winter classes will register mid December. Online as usual. Please watch the front page of the website (or your email) for the official opening date. All current members will also receive a few 'reminder' emails.*
4. **Do I have to do Fundraising?** *Any organization your child will be part of, will most likely, have a fundraising or volunteer expectation. Noralta relies on its fundraising to keep our costs lower. We rely on our members at times when volunteers are needed to run events (ie: Spring Fling Raffle) and make them successful! **ONLY** skaters registered in CanSkate 1 or 2 for this semester are required to choose either Option 1: Sell Purdy's chocolates (1 case) or Option 2: Buy Out (waives fundraising obligation for this semester) at the time of registration. If you skipped making this choice, the Club Registrar will be contacting you directly to do so.*
6. **Who do I approach with questions regarding class?** *The PROFESSIONAL COACHES (Ben, Tania, Lynn or Samantha) who are on the ice with your skater. Please do not ask our Assistants. Please ask your questions before class or after or via email to noraltacoaches@shaw.ca*
7. **Is there a place to watch my skater?** *All parents must sit in the stands or you are also permitted to stand by the end of rink (closest to the Leisure Ice). **No one is permitted to sit in the player's boxes.***
 - *Pre Canskate families who are in Samantha's class on Tuesday or Thursday will enter the ice at the far end of the locker room hallway. The opposite side of the Leisure Ice. These parents are permitted to stand in that area to watch their skater or sit in the far end of the stands.*
8. **Can I leave the rink while my child is in class?** *Parents (or a guardian) must be in the arena watching their skater during class; for bathroom breaks, emergencies etc. **Please do not leave the arena while your child is on the ice.***
9. **Where can I get my skater ready?** *Skaters can get ready for class in the assigned Locker Rooms. When coming to Arena 2 (MAC 2), you will enter the double doors and make a right turn right away to go down the locker room hallway. **There is a whiteboard on the right hand side of the hallway that is for Arena 2. We are always ASSIGNED a locker room (or 2). Please ONLY use those locker rooms.** Your skater can indeed enter the ice from the locker rooms. Pre CanSkate, stay closer to Locker Room 5 or 6; or 7 or 8, whichever is assigned and depending on if you are in Lynn's or Samantha's class (they are on opposite ends of the arena; class list will be posted and announced during the first class). It's easier access to the ice for Pre CanSkate.*
10. **What do I wear?** *All skaters must have a CSA approved hockey helmet. **NO BIKE HELMETS**, no exceptions. All skaters must have their own skates (we do not rent). Make sure your skates are sharpened (Habitual Sports or SportChek). All skaters are encouraged to wear layers (Pre CanSkate, wear splash pants or snow pants to keep your little ones dry). Pre CanSkater's should have a mask on their helmet (cage or clear), mitts.*