

Equipment Report
2008/2009 Season
Pacers Speed Skating Club of Ottawa

We have finally reached “Ted Huffman’s” goal of having every skater in the club wearing properly fitting short track boots and become more competitive. At any point in the season, we never had less than 12 pairs of skates available in the cabinets.

The “Skate” fund is well established to continue the trend of adding new skates each year.

Current skate inventory:

- 105 Pairs of Bont Short Track Skates
- 25 pairs of Zandstra Moulded Skate
- a couple of boxes of the old leather skates

In 2008/2009 we purchased:

- About 8 pairs of Bont Short track skates
- 1 jig, sharpening stone & deburring stone to add a 6th sharpening kit

Removed in 2008/2009 season:

- 1 pair of broken skates

For next season, our new equipment requirement would be:

- some more skates (6 – 10 pairs) in the small to medium sizes
- 4-5 sets of blades (to replace broken blades)
- 5 new stones for the sharpening kits
- 6 pairs of Klap blades that would fit our Bont boots. These blades would be signed out by coaches for specific skaters to try out.

I would like to thank Gavin Thulien for his help with skate fitting/ throughout the season.

Thank you, and remember, next year is an Olympic Year, so let’s get ready to skate.

Rocky
The equipment guy