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There was an Eastern Region Coaches Meeting held at the Palace Skating Center August 20, 2001.
The following coaches attended the meeting:

Stephanie Antanavich, Margaret A. Bain, Allen Bell III, Loren Black, Robert E. Carrier, Alice R. Cohen, Carey J. Elder, Edward F. Heater, John J. Heffner, Steven G. Hinkle, James J. Kennedy, Brian Kozak, James A. Lemma Jr., Debbie Lewis, David Paden, Avril Pickersgill, William Richardson, Robert Ryan, George Schmidt, Bernadette & Bob Stringer and Anne H. Wahlig

Topics of Discussion:

Awards Banquet Coaches Awards and Nominations

Coach of the Year Awards

It was unanimously decided at this meeting to continue the two coaching award system. (One award for the Junior Olympic Coach of the year and one award for the Senior Coach of the year)

Nominations for the Coaches of the year

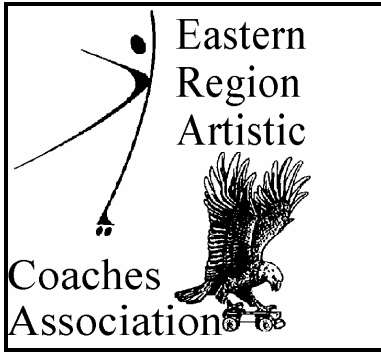
It was unanimously decided to use the following formula to determine which coaches are to be nominated for the coach of the year awards.

Junior Olympic Coach of the Year

Each coach with placements at the Junior Olympic National Championship will receive the following points for each placement according to the following formula:

- 3 points for a 1st place skater
- 2 points for a 2nd place skater
- 1 point for a 3rd place skater
- ½ point for a 4th place skater

The points for each coach will be totaled and the coaches with the top five points will be automatically nominated. In an event there is a tie for fifth place, all fifth place coaches will be nominated.



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Senior Coach of the Year

Each coach with placements at the Senior National Championship will receive points for each placement according to the following formula:

- 3 points for a 1st place skater
- 2 points for a 2nd place skater
- 1 point for a 3rd place skater

The points for each coach will be totaled and the coaches with the top five points will be automatically nominated. In an event there is a tie for fifth place, all fifth place coaches will be nominated. In addition any coach who coached a Junior or Senior World Class national placement will be nominated even if their total points are not in the top five.

Coaches Critiques for the Ballot

All coaches who are nominated will be notified of their nomination. They in turn will supply a one-paragraph critique of their skating season. Please be aware that the critique may be edited if it is too long. The critiques would best be received by E-mail to Steven Hinkle at (sgh1@aol.com). If the nominee does not have E-mail availability they may be mailed to Steven Hinkle at the address provided in the page header.

Voting Procedures for Coach of the Year Awards

Each coach in the region will be mailed a copy of the ballot with the nominated coaches and their critiques. Each coach will in turn make a vote and mail the signed ballot to the designated address by the appropriate due date. Votes can only be made by using the proper ballot and by mail. Ballots postmarked after the appropriate due date will not be counted.

Skater of the Year Awards

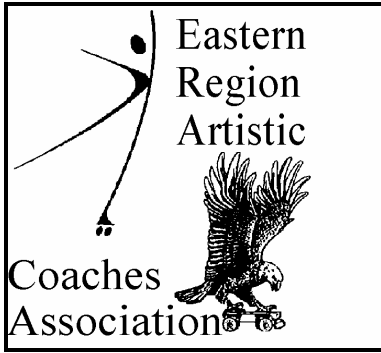
It was decided to create an award for the Junior Olympic skaters of the year as well as the Senior event skaters of the year. The awards this year will be as follows:

Senior Event Female Skater of the Year
 Male Skater of the Year
 Team of the Year

Junior Olympic Female Skater of the Year
 Male Skater of the Year
 Team of the year

Ballots for the skater of the year awards will be mailed to the club address.

Evening of Champions



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It was decided to continue the Evening of Champions. This year's event will be at the Holiday Skating Center Sunday January 6, 2002. The coaches' representatives to the Evening of Champions Committee this year are Margaret Bain, Billy Richardson and Anne Wahlig. They will help the organizing committee with determining who will skate solo and group exhibitions and the format for the evening.

Tri-State League 2001-2002 Schedule

The following locations were voted on for the 2001-2002 Tri-State Contests.

October 21, 2001 – Dance Contest at Cornwalls Skating Center

November 18, 2001 – Figure Contest at Holiday Skating Center

December 16, 2001 – Dance Contest at Jackson Skating Center

January 19-20, 2002 – Tri-State Invitational at Fantasy Skating Center

February 24, 2001 – Figure Contest at Cherry Hill Skating Center

April (to be announced) – Freestyle Contest at Skate 2000 Skating Center

Meeting Adjourned at 10 PM with the consent of everyone.

Respectfully – Steven G. Hinkle
President ERACA