

# Now We're Rolling

## NorthShore Inline Marathon



Heidi Ludolf, Daughter of Club Member Steve Ludolf, Beaming After the Kid's Races

Each year I have the pleasure of interviewing Chuck Carlberg about the recently completed NorthShore Inline Marathon. Following are comments from my recent

conversation with Chuck: We ended up with 3,658 full marathon and 366 half-marathon participants this year, only a slight decrease from last year. Overall, the reports from the inaugural NorthShore Inline Half Marathon are that people had a blast! Since this

event was new for us this year we did learn a few things. We did not have greeters for the skaters as they got off the buses so some skaters started walk-

ing the wrong way. Also, the chairs and porta pottys were at the Ryan Road drop. Only a few were at the actual start area. Of course, we will fix these items next year.

Weeks prior to the race we were concerned about a shortage of volunteers. Some volunteer groups came to the rescue and made a huge difference. Many groups stepped up this year giving us an all-time high volunteer participation rate. Recognizing volunteer groups by name is risky business because I run the risk of forgetting to mention, and recognize, a group. However, I want to thank the Harbor Town

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## 2004 NIS Cup

2004 marked the first year of the Northern Inline Skaters (NIS) Cup. Participants competed in five designated races and earned points for completing a race plus placing in the race, relative to other club members. The five races included the Grand Old Day 8k, Brainerd Inline Online Half Marathon, Big Granite Half and Full Marathon, St. Paul Inline Marathon and the NorthShore Inline Half and Full Marathon.

Lynne Webber was the top female participant with 59 points followed closely by Maren Hagen with 56 points and then Rosalind Hauff with 49 points. Lynne wins a \$100 Bont gift certificate for her efforts.

Rick Abrahamson was the top male participant with 110 points followed by Richard Fliehr with 104 points and

Jim Hagen with 101 points. Rick also wins a \$100 Bont gift certificate.

Congratulations to Lynne and Rick for winning the inaugural NIS Cup!

The NIS Cup will be held again in 2005 using the same five races and the same point format. The only change is that instead of \$100 for each top female and male participant the payout is being increased to \$300 each and is changing from a gift certificate to cash.

Start making plans now to participate in the 2005 NIS Cup. All you have to do to compete is to be a member in good standing.

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## 2004 Drawing Winner

Jill Lakhan is the lucky winner of the 2004 member drawing. She wins a \$100 gift certificate from The Ski Hut.

Shortly after the NSIM Jill left for Paris and skated in the Paris Friday Night Skate.

Congratulations Jill!



## 2005 Drawing Winner

Elizabeth "Lizzy" Helmes (below) is the winner of our drawing for club members signing up early for the 2005 season. Lizzy wins a \$100 Play It Again Sports gift certificate. Pictured below is Lizzy.

Lizzy decided that instead of keeping the certificate for herself that she would allow the club to donate the certificate to a worthwhile organization. We chose to donate the certificate to the Boys & Girls Club of Duluth. Pic-



tured above (left to right, front to back) from the Duluth Boys & Girls Club is James Orr, Josh Vandell (holding gift certificate), Azjah Turcotte, Allen Weever, Teal Roybal, Andy Pajari and Jan Amys (branch director)

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## Rollerdome

Each winter the club schedules outings to the Rollerdome in Minneapolis. Past experience has proven that we get our best turnout between mid-January through the end of April. Unfortunately, there is only one Saturday or Sunday that falls within this time-frame. Sunday, February 20, will be our only scheduled club outing to the dome this winter season. If you want to try and get to the dome on your own, on some other date, please reference the Rollerdome's schedule posted at [www.roller-dome.com](http://www.roller-dome.com). If the dome

adds a Saturday or Sunday later on we will be sure to get the word out and perhaps add another scheduled club outing date.



Rosalind Hauff



Scott Occhino

***Safety Reminder - When Skating, Always Wear Your Helmet, Wrist Protection and Other Protective Equipment!***

# Club Calendar

Here's the Club Calendar for the balance of 2004 and early 2005:

Joe's Jelly Roll, every Sunday, 10:00 a.m., Blue Note Café, year-round, rain or shine. When the weather is good we skate but even on rainy or cold winter days club members meet to share a cup

of coffee and friendship. This is the longest running, best attended club event that we have. Whether you live nearby or are visiting Duluth, stop by and join us.

Holiday Get Together, New Year's Eve, Friday, December 31, 7:00 p.m., Great

American Grill, Miller Hill Mall.

Rollerdome, Sunday, February 20. For those traveling from Duluth and want to car pool, meet at McDonald's, Thompson Hill, 11:00 a.m.



Group photo taken at the start of the Bont Sunday Morning Fun Skate, the day after the North-Shore Inline Marathon.



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## **THE TUESDAY NIGHT SKATE**

Begins April 27<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 p.m.

Munger Trail Head in West Duluth

This weekly skate is weather permitting, please call the Ski Hut @ 218.724.8525 for current details.



Northern Inline Skaters Receive a 10% discount on in-store skate and skate related items



## E-mail

There is a tremendous amount of club communication that takes place using e-mail. If you don't have e-mail yet but have been thinking about it, maybe this is the reason you need to take the plunge. Also, if you do have e-mail but have not yet shared your e-mail address with us, please do so.

## Club Information Privacy

We maintain a club roster showing name, address, phone number and e-mail address, if applicable. We share this roster and information with club members and sponsors only. If you don't want us to display your phone number, address or e-mail address, we can leave that off the published roster. Please contact me if you don't wish to have some of your personal information displayed to club members and sponsors. The club does not authorize in any way the use of club member information by a non-member or a non-sponsor business. If you have been solicited by a non-member or a non-sponsor business please let me know right away.

### Northern Inline Skaters Club Records

Male	Hr	Min	Sec	Yr	Event	Female	Hr	Min	Sec	Yr
Rick Abrahamson		14	30.4	2003	Grand Old Day 8k	Lynne Webber		16	06	2004
Keith Svir		36	24.4	2003	Brainerd 1/2 Marathon	Mary Jo O'Hara		40	43.2	2003
Rick Abrahamson		41	23.3	2004	Big Granite 1/2 Marathon	Jayme Schriker		46	48.0	2001
Terry Holm	1	14	28.6	2003	Big Granite Marathon	Mary Jo O'Hara	1	25	38.0	2003
Rick Abrahamson		17	59	2003	Roll for the Roses 10k	Mary Jo O'Hara		19	40	2003
Gerry Kimmel	1	22	47.4	2003	Long Beach Marathon	Rosalind Hauff	2	00	03	2003
Andrey Zhuikov	1	20	04	2003	Thunder Bay Marathon	Mary Jo O'Hara	1	31	43	2003
Keith Svir	5	9	25	2002	Athens to Atlanta 86 Mile					
Roger Olson	1	40	59	2003	Cactus Classic					
Jim White	2	33	42	2002	Athens to Atlanta 38 Mile	Jodie Snidarich	2	51	56	2000
Terry Holm		36	32.5	2003	Hoyt Lakes 1/2 Marathon	Mary Jo O'Hara		38	58.0	2003
Curtis Tesch		41	01.3	2004	Great River Roll 1/2 Marathon	Mary Jo O'Hara		41	03.3	2004
Rick Abrahamson	1	20	12.0 3	2004	St. Paul Inline Marathon	Mary Jo O'Hara	1	31	9.77	2004
Andrey Zhuikov	1	6	23	1998	NorthShore Inline Full Marathon	Mary Jo O'Hara	1	23	12.0	2003
Rick Berg		54	48	2004	NorthShore Inline Half Marathon	Alicia Soukup		57	24	2004
Ron Rice		57	15	2004	Disney 1/2 Marathon	Tammy Svir	1	6	45	2003
Keith Svir	1	25	2	2003	Disney Marathon	Debbie Rice	1	30	06	2004