

StarClassNewsletter



StarClass of records? Statistics experts are surely busy calculating but the numbers speak for themselves! Over 100 Junior C and Novices skaters opened their season in Mannheim last week-end filling the Herzogenried Stadium with the enthusiasm proper of their age. The Novices category was the most populous counting 57 skaters and witnessing the growth of the sport and its popularity.

Carlotta Berger from ESV Turbine Rostock (GER) was first in front of



Novices boys in action
Courtesy of Marij Timmerman

Nicole Martinelli from Bormio Ghiaccio (ITA) and Gloria Malfatti from Sporting Club Pergine (ITA). The boys podium was all Italian with Milan Grugni from Agorà Skating Team preceding Marco Giordano from Bormio Ghiaccio and Andrea Tescari from Sporting Club Pergine.

All results and classifications are published on www.shorttrackonline.info, the NO.1 short-track website!

For the first time during a StarClass event, coaches with last generation mobile phones had the possibility of visualizing make-up of races in real time on their display by connecting wireless on a dedicated network. The experiment was positive and the hopes for the system to be implemented

in future competitions are high; another step forward in information technology!

Front page of the IJsschaatsclub De Schaverdijn website announcing the coming StarClass Competition.

The StarClass family is now moving to Hasselt, in Belgium, where the second event for StarClass, Junior A and B categories will take place on 14th and 15th November.

Entries closed on www.shorttrackonline.info with 138 eligible skaters entered from 43 clubs and 10 Countries!

Belgium and the lovely town of Hasselt, ideally situated for easy access from major Northern European cities, are hosting a StarClass competition for the first time. The Clubs from Hasselt and Turnhout have joined efforts to organize a great event at the Bloso ice-rink.

For all the gourmands travelling with the clubs, Hasselt offers traditional delicacies: sweets such as the 'Hasseltse speculaas', the 'snuitje' and the 'suikerbol' along with the Hasselt Jenever, a local 'Gin' flavoured with juniper berries. Not to be missed!!



Hasseltse speculaas and the Hasselt Jenever

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