

# StarClassNewsletter



**StarClass** 2012/2013 candidates were chosen during the European calendar meeting in Istanbul in mid-May. We will take you through a virtual tour of Europe to meet the hosting venues and a taste of what will be on in the area.

It will be 'apple time' in Bolzano (Italy) when the Novice and C categories swarm in to open the Starclass season from Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup>. No Ipads for free but delicious fruit for all tastes from Sudtiro!l!



These apples MUST be delicious!  
Courtesy <http://www.satollo.com/tdg-il-tempo-delle-mele>

The 'Dresden Jazz Festival' and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Starclass event for Starclass, Senior, Junior A and B categories are the highlights of the city of Dresden, the capital of Saxony close to the Czech border, from November 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>.



The Dresden Jazz Festival logo and the Starclass logo will be November's highlights in Dresden!

From Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> to Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 'Winterland Hasselt' will bustle with festive events and will host for the first time Santa's home, a



One of the highlights of WINTERLAND HASSELT is the ice rink!

replica of the 'original' found in Rovaniemi. After the Dresden Jazz, the older categories can get into the Christmas mood from Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> to Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Hasselt Bloso Ice-Rink for their second appointment of the season.

10 days to Christmas and the last shopping frenzy at the Munich 'Marktes der Ideen', a Christmas village with over 200 stalls for all tastes and pockets! The Junior C and Novice will love this when visiting Munich for their second Starclass appointment from Dec. 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>.



Munich Christmas Market by night  
Courtesy <http://www.tollwood.de/winterfestival-2012/>

Next stop in 'Champagne land' shortly after New Year! Last chance for the older categories to gain their place for the final, which will crown the best Junior European skaters of the season, will be in Reims from Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup>. Some may have a

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reason to celebrate after the competition along the Route Touristique de Champagne where the most prestigious cellars of the area are concentrated and where a taste of the best Grand Cru is a must.



Champagne cellars in the region can hold as many as 3.5 MILLION bottles!

Last stop for the Starclass season and last chance to qualify for the Junior C and Novices category at the Edenthal ice-rink in Amsterdam from Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>! What's on in Amsterdam in January? Everything and anything! Amsterdam is a bustling city with a million things to do and to see; you'll be spoilt for choice!

From the Netherlands south to Italy, where the season had started; the top 8 skaters from each category will meet their counterparts, qualified from the Danubia series, in Baselga di Piné from March 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup>. The Piné Plateau scattered with crystal clear glacial lakes contoured by forests and valleys, will become home for skaters,



The ice-rink in Piné in summer.

coaches and supporters of the European Junior movement for the three day grand finale of the season.

All organizers should inform the ISU of their event to have it officially included in the international calendar.

An updated memorandum and more info on next season soon to be published on [www.shorttrackonline.info](http://www.shorttrackonline.info).

Be on the lookout also for an updating of the rules on the ISU website following this year's congress.



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