



John Benton Awards Information

John Benton awards are presented for achievements in both STARSkate Tests and Competitions. John Benton was a past President and founder of the Skate Canada Pickering Skating Club. Mr. Benton donated the trophies and initiated the criteria for selecting award recipients.

The John Benton Award for Competition and the John Benton Award for Test are given out at the end of each season to the three skaters in both testing and competition who have earned the most points during the qualifying year which runs from approximately March 31 – April 1 each year. Points are awarded for each test passed with higher level tests receiving greater points. Points are awarded for each competition event entered (**Up to 5 events**). The higher the final placement of the skater the more points are awarded. Couple and team event divide the points by number of skaters. Qualifying competition events are given higher points.

To qualify for these awards, skaters must:

- 1) Be a skater in good standing at the Skate Canada Pickering Skating Club.
- 2) Be 18 years old or younger.

For Test Award skaters must submit:

- 1) A summary sheet listing each test and date passed.
- 2) **Copies of results** from each test passed. Acceptable documentation for testing includes copies of the judges score sheets that are handed back to the skater after testing or the list from Skate Canada's Membership page that lists all recorded tests for the skater.

For Competition Award skaters must submit:

- 1) A summary sheet listing each competition, date, and final placement.
- 2) **Copies of results** for each competition event. Acceptable documentation for competition includes copies of STAR 1- STAR 3 and other ribbon event certificates, printing the flight results on the Skate Canada website after each competition, taking pictures of and printing the posted results at competitions, and copies of the results sheets handed back by judges in certain event, i.e. interpretive events. **Report cards for Triathlon are NOT accepted as they do not list final placement.** For competitions in late Spring (Thornhill Fun and Scarboro Skate) make sure to print results off the Skate Canada website immediately. Results will not be accessible the following Spring.
- 3) **Only competitions held in Ontario are eligible for points. No Buffalo events.**
- 4) **Skaters can only submit 5 events. Pick your best ones!**
- 5) **If there is only 1 skater in an event it will be considered an exhibition and only 2 points will be awarded.**

Submitting copies by posted deadline to the Test Chair and/or Competition Chair.

You do not have to submit for both categories, but all skaters are encouraged to apply each year. Questions can be directed to Laura Weightman, President of the SCPSC Board.