

# Hill skaters: The membership has been falling, but fun, enthusiasm remain high

RICHMOND HILL — Membership in the Richmond Hill Figure Skating Club is down considerably from previous years, but the enthusiasm of its participants remains high as ever.

Not only that. There's even an advantage to the current registration total of 182, as compared to a high of 400 in more crowded times.

For one thing, the club's five professionals have a lot more time to spend with each member, in both public and private lessons.

And there's still plenty enough skaters to allow for the usual round-up of club and inter-club competitions, fun nights and similar events.

"But I'm not saying we wouldn't welcome new members," comments club president Norah Putnam. "There's plenty of room left."

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### He deserves a break

Whether he's just taken a tumble or merely stopping for a rest isn't clear, but 4-year-old Adolf Cartis of Elgin Mills Road seems in cheerful spirits about being on the ice for a break in the skating

action. He is a junior member of the skating club, shown here during one of the juniors' skating periods.



### Awaiting instructions

Looking as though she might be looking to her instructor for a word of advice is Jennifer Gerrit, 8, of Baker Avenue. She's one of the 182 young skaters registered with Richmond Hill Figure Skating Club this year.

Photos by Bruce Hogg



### Flight of fancy

Well into her routine, Sharon Lewis of Wenlock Avenue shows good form here during a recent practice session with Richmond Hill

Figure Skating Club. Sharon is one of the club's senior members.



### After the fall

He apparently has some way to go before mastering the art, but then this was only the second time on skates for Robert Asquith of

Springhead Garden, Richmond Hill. And he's got a few years ahead of him—Robert's only two years old.