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SUBJECT: LOCAL SKATING CLUB HOLDS ICE RATES STEADY DESPITE GROWING UTILITY RATES

Despite growing utility rates, the Skating Club of New Hartford, working in conjunction with the Town of New Hartford, announced that the rates for skating club members would remain the same for the upcoming season.

The skating club released its schedule and rates for the 2006-2007 season today, and rates for all skaters have remained the same. This has been due to coordinated efforts between club officials and the Parks and Recreation Department of the Town of New Hartford. In addition, with the changing of particular portions of the schedule, the Skating Club of New Hartford now provides for more available ice to all of its members, and increased flexibility in the scheduling of ice time.

In order to address rising utility costs, the Town has shortened the season, which will now end on March 31st, but has agreed to keep ice rates steady. In order to extend the season, the skating club, in a coordinated effort with other local organizations, and the Town of New Hartford, has agreed to help defray any increased utility costs. During the month of September, which traditionally had the highest utility costs of the season, the skating club and other facility users will pay higher ice fees to help the Town of New Hartford absorb its higher operating expenses. The high degree of trust and cooperation between the skating club and the Town of New Hartford allows each to best serve the needs of the skating public.

Details of the schedule and rates for skaters for the 2006-2007 season can be found on the newly redesigned Skating Club of New Hartford website, at www.scnh.org. Registration for the 2006-2007 skating season will be held on September 10th and 11th, from 5pm to 7pm, at the New Hartford Recreation Center.