

This is only the second time figure skating has been included in the Australian Masters Games, the first time being in Adelaide in 2015. The skaters really enjoyed the experience of meeting and competing with other adults and making new friends. The South Australian Ice Skating Association (SAISA) and the IceArena management (South Australian Ice Sports Federation) are looking forward to welcoming the skaters this year and wish them an enjoyable time.

In Australia, skaters can compete in adult divisions from the age of 18. At the 2015 AMG in Adelaide there were competitors in all adult age groups including several in the 70 and 80-year-old brackets. Some skaters originally learnt to skate as children and continued on and others only took up the challenge in later years. All love the physical, mental and emotional challenge of ice skating and the friendships formed.

Adult skaters compete in singles as well as pairs, ice dance, artistic divisions and also 'Synchro' (synchronized team skating). 'Synchro' is a rapidly growing skating category where up to sixteen skaters skate on ice as a team moving as a flowing unit at speed while performing moves in unison.

Figure Skating will be held at the IceArena, Thebarton, which is conveniently located close to the city.

Photo:

A young Adult synchronized skating team



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