



# AMATEUR SKATING UNION OF THE UNITED STATES

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Greg Wong  
2723 Gamble Court  
Hayward, California 94542

Dear Greg,

Thank you very much for the order of ASU publications. Enclosed are the items you ordered plus some of our brand new 1988 updated catalogues.

I was very excited to get your order. I knew there were a few speedskaters in the San Francisco area but I had no idea you were "organized" at all. Marty Hill is the one who told me about you. Now we will do everything we can to get you started!

We have a speedskating association in California - the Southern California Association. San Francisco, at this time, is in that association's territory as well as towns in that general area. So you are in good hands! We have some very good people in the Southern California Assn. to help you. The president of the association is very anxious to meet with you and your group and help you in any way he can. He is a coach and at this point has plans to bring a couple of his skaters up to your area to help you with skating techniques and club organization. Please feel free to contact him although I think he will be getting in touch with you. His name is Jerry Search, 3584 Falcon Ave., Long Beach, CA 90807 - 213/424-5293.

Jerry will fill you in on how you can join the Amateur Skating Union and the Southern California Assn. When you join the ASU you receive the ASU newsletter, The Racing Blade, and the ASU official Handbook, which includes a great deal of very important speedskating information including all the rules which govern our sport. ASU membership for all first-year registered skaters is free. The second year membership for skaters 15 years old and under is \$10 and all subsequent dues are \$20 per year. Second-year dues for skaters over 15 are \$20. Dues for all non-skaters and officials is \$10 per year. Jerry will have the ASU registration forms for those of you who want to join the National organization.

Please contact the following woman for information about the Instructional Badge Kits: Jackie Eliasberg, 11009 Baronet Rd., Owings Mills, MD 21117 - 301/363-1550. The Instructional Badges have proven to be a great aid in developing new skaters.

I am sending your name to Doc Savage (2614 N. 115th St., Wauwatosa, WI 53226 - 414/258-5427). He is our National Growth and Development Chairman and can help you in many ways.

We are at an exciting crossroads for speedskating. The response to short track speedskating after the Olympics was tremendous. You have some top caliber speedskaters in your area (including the great Eric Heiden!) and I'm sure we can turn to them for help in getting you organized.

Please contact me again if I can help you with anything and good luck in your speedskating endeavors!

Sincerely,

Shirley A. Yates  
ASU Executive Secretary