

# StarClassNewsletter



**StarClass** competitions are back with many pluses; the terrific success of last season's format and of the final for Juniors in Spisska Nova Ves has led the co-ordination group to review the 'StarClass Rules and Regulations' (now online on [www.shorttrackonline.info](http://www.shorttrackonline.info)).

The main highlights of this season are:

- Extended D category to include 3 years (01-07-1995 to 30-06-1998)
- Lower times for all categories to guarantee high quality events
- A total of four qualifying events from which the best two results will be considered for qualification to the final
- ALL events will host all categories
- Relay races on 3000m (4 skaters) for Junior A,B,C
- The 4 venues for this season are:  
BOLZANO (ITA) – Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>  
REIMS (FRA) – Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>  
DRESDEN (GER)–Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>  
LEEWARDEN (NED) – Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup>
- The Final, which will host the best skaters qualified from the Danubia and the StarClass series, will be in BORMIO - Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> to Mar. 1<sup>st</sup> (qualifying criteria are in the Rules and Regulations)

Full details, including the qualifying times for all categories are online on [www.shorttrackonline.info](http://www.shorttrackonline.info) ; on this site, you will also find announcements, results and reports for all events.

After the Junior World Championships in January this year, Bolzano is ready to welcome the best European skaters under the 'waves' of the Palaonda. The echoes of the Junior World Records broken on that

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The 'Palaonda' icerink in Bolzano with it's wavy ceiling ([www.comune.bolzano.it](http://www.comune.bolzano.it))

occasion are still loud and will offer a further stimulus to all young European skaters to equal or improve them!

The announcement is available on [www.shorttrackonline.info](http://www.shorttrackonline.info) and entries are now open with the first clubs having secured their participation. Preliminary entries are to be submitted by September 3<sup>rd</sup>; final entries to be submitted by September 28<sup>th</sup> .

Accommodation is to be booked as soon as possible, directly through the travel agency indicated on the announcement, to take advantage of the special conditions.



Junior World Championships in Bolzano in January 2008. (Photo: Gyorgy Sallak)