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RollArt Technical Panel & Judging Courses for existing judges

We are pleased to announce that a new FARS Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) will be launched in January offering online courses to all existing FARS judges. Initially, two courses will be available, one aimed at those who wish to sit on a RollArt Technical Panel and one for those who wish to sit on a RollArt Judging Panel. We are hoping to be able to support both Freeskating and Dance long term, however, at the time of launch we will be focusing only on Freeskating.

The courses will be fully compliant with the 2020 World Skate rules and will contain everything you need to know to prepare you for a role on a live RollArt panel. At the end of each course you will be able to take an online exam which will test you on the information that you have learned. Please note that exams are not final, and you can take them as many times as you wish so please don't panic! They are here to help you learn, not judge you.

We have also secured training facilities in Bury St Edmunds where members of the FARS teams will provide face to face support for anyone who would like guidance on the courses or the exams. We recommend that you take your chosen course on the VLE first but should any of you find it challenging then you are welcome to make use of these training facilities. Flexible training days and times can be arranged. During these training sessions you will get first-hand support on the course content to help prepare you for a re-take of the exams when you feel ready.

Our aim is to have the VLE available in January with a view to have as many of you trained in RollArt before the 2020 competition season starts. For those that are ready, we would also like to arrange for you to shadow members of the live panel at various FARS competitions and in some cases the chance to mix into live panels later in the year where suitable.

We are very excited to be able to offer these courses and hope they will ease your transition across to the new judging system.

If you are interested in taking these courses, please can I ask that you indicate your preference in the format below and email me at HoFF@fars.co.uk. Please respond by no later than 15 December 2019

Name : _____

Email : _____

Tel No : _____

Freeskating Technical Panel Course : YES / NO

Freeskating Judging Course : YES / NO

Kind Regards

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