## **StarClass**Newsletter



## StarClass breaking news!

After 20 years, a Starclass competition will be commemorating the 1992 Olympic Winter games held in Albertville!

Reims' candidature had to be withdrawn, with much regret of the organizers and of all Champagne lovers, due to restrictions imposed by local security for a soccer match to be held in the nearby stadium during the same week-end.

The last event before the final for Jun A, Jun B, Starclass and Seniors will therefore be on the same ice which crowned the first Olympic medallists of our sport 20 years ago!



The OLYMPIC stadium in Albertville

It is to be seen if the Strarclass skaters will be able to do better than the Olympic medallists! The times to beat are:

- 1'30"760 in the 1000m men of South Korean Ki-Hoon Kim winner of the only individual distance for men in the program
- 47"040 in the 500m ladies of USA skater Cathy Turner gold medallist of the only individual distance for ladies in the program

The only other events in the program were relay events: South Korea won the 5000m men relay while Canada won the 3000m ladies relay event.



Albertville, situated in the south of France, is close to Lyon and Geneva airports (about one hour's drive), it is easily accessible by road but also by train as it has its own train station which becomes particularly busy during the winter season with long distance trains (TGV and Thalys) also stopping.

The Savoie region, Albertville and the Club OGCA are ready to welcome the Starclass family from Jan. 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> 2013!

