



Press Release - immediate release

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Olympic Swimmer Hannah Miley to Open Inverurie's Ice Rink

We Are Inverurie, a not-for-profit organisation supporting Inverurie, is pleased to announce that Olympic swimmer Hannah Miley OLY will be attending the Christmas events in the town and will officially open the town's Christmas Ice Rink on Saturday 1st December at 10.30 am.

This is the first year that Inverurie has had an Ice Rink in the town as part of its Christmas celebrations. Inverurie Events Team and We Are Inverurie have been working flat out to make sure that this year's Christmas celebrations are fun for everyone to enjoy.

'Discover Christmas – Inverurie' is definitely bringing plenty of fun-filled family activities to the town centre and starts on 25 November with a Parade, Live Music, Christmas Stalls, the BIG Light Switch on with Martin Ingram from Original FM.

On 1st December, Hannah Miley OLY medal-winning swimmer who has represented Great Britain on three occasions at the Olympic Games and Commonwealth Games, is back visiting Inverurie to join in the festive fun. Hannah Miley regularly trained at Inverurie in the early part of her sporting career and 'We Are Inverurie' are delighted that she will be a guest of honour to open the town's Christmas ice rink.

Hannah Miley OLY will open the ice rink at 10.30 am and introduce a group of young figure skaters, aged between 7-14 years, who regularly compete at a National level. The team will be wowing the crowds with a beautiful figure skating performance prior to the rink opening to the public at 11.00 am. Hannah Miley is delighted to be attending, saying: "I'm really looking forward to this event. Inverurie has always been my home and to celebrate Christmas with the opening of the ice rink is a huge honour. I am excited to meet everyone."

The ice rink, sponsored by Barratt Homes, will be in a marquee and located in the car park to the rear of the Town Hall.

We Are Inverurie Bid Manager, Derek Ritchie, said "We're delighted that Hannah will be with us on 1st December and helping everyone enjoy the treats that the town has to offer in the lead up to Christmas."

The celebrations continue on 1st December with a live performance by 350 local pupils performing the BIG Sing, a medley of Christmas songs starting at 11.00 am in front of the Town Hall. A Christmas market in Station Road, with a range of stalls offering crafts, produce and much more and Santa's Grotto adjacent to the ice ring where young children can visit Santa and receive a small gift.

For more information about what's in the Discover Christmas – Inverurie calendar visit www.weareinverurie.co.uk

This year's festive celebrations have been bought to Inverurie by the Inverurie Events team and We Are Inverurie.

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Notes to Editors

Ice Rink Dates: From 1 - 9 December

Ice Rink Opening hours: Every day, daytime sessions on Saturday and Sunday start from 11am to 8pm and midweek Monday – Friday from 3pm - 8pm

Skating sessions: will be 30 mins and the last skating session starts at 7.30 pm.

Address: Town Hall, Rear Car Park, Station Road, Inverurie.

Ice Rink Admission: £5.00 per half hour session including skate hire

Tickets: Will be available from the ice rink on the day throughout 1-9 December

Transport: British Rail (sign) Inverurie

Parking: Park and Ride from Thainstone Centre and Gordon House from 25 November during weekends throughout December (1.30 pm - 5.30 pm).

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About WeAreInverurie

We Are Inverurie represents the interests of companies and retailers - BIG and SMALL in Scotland's fastest growing town, Inverurie. As part of the Business Improvement District (BID) We Are Inverurie was created to help keep Inverurie at the forefront of Aberdeenshire towns as a desirable place to work, live, play and do business in.

Find out more at www.weareinverurie.co.uk