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A Special Issue

You will notice that this issue of *Recreational Ice Skating* magazine looks somewhat different from other issues. That's because it contains a special section, right in the middle, for you to save and use throughout 2006. The first-ever ISI Events Preview offers everything you will need to plan your national competition and travel schedule for 2006, even copies of the required entry forms. It's all in one convenient place, and it's not only helpful, but great to look at, too!

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World-Wide Welcome

They came from far and wide — more than 2,600 skaters from six countries — to be part of the 25th Annual ISI World Recreational Team Championships, the largest ice skating competition ever held in the state of California. Four ice arenas co-hosted the massive event:

Anaheim ICE, Glacial Garden-Lakewood, Paramount Iceland and Yorba Linda Ice Palace.

Festive opening ceremonies on Wednesday, July 27 at Anaheim ICE attracted record participation, with a huge parade featuring spirited teams, colorful banners, character

mascots and antique cars. The plaza was transformed into fair grounds filled with street vendors, live music, dancing and many hundreds of happy, excited faces.

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