



# Thin Ice

# **NEW skatinginbc ONLINE SHOW**

The BC Section is thrilled to announce a series of BC Skater profile stories which premiered Sunday October 7th, 2012. This 30 minute show is hosted by Ted Barton and Tarrah Harvey and will cover both the life and skating experiences of our BC skaters.

The first show in the series "Our Journey 2012" featured both the life and skating experiences of Madeline Edwards and Zhao Kai



Pang.



This show took an inside look at their lives, partnership to date and experiences of 2012 including a look back at performances from Courchevel, France and Istanbul, Turkey.

The second show in the series featured Nicole Orford and Thomas Williams. They gave us candid and intimate look at their lives as they took us through their journey of 2012.

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# World Class Figure Skating

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Nicole Orford & Thomas Williams 2012 Jr Grand Prix Champions 2012 Junior World Team 2011 Junior National Champions

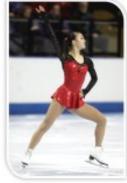


Kevin Reynolds 2012 Sr. National Silver Medalist 2009 - 2012 Sr. World Team 2010 Four Continents Bronze Medalist



Year Round

Jeremy Ten 2009 & 2012 Sr. National Bronze Medalist 2012 Four Continents Team 2009 Sr. World Team



Kitty Qian 2012 Senior BC/YT Silver Medalist 2011 Junior National Silver Medalist 2009 Novice National Silver Medalist





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# MESSAGE FROM THE CHARMAN

Season's Greetings to our skating family here in the BC/YT Section! We have had a busy couple of months with local competitions, as well as our Section Championships. The Sandy Shores SC working with the Section Competition Team, hosted this event — and they did a great job. Thank you to everyone who volunteered at this event!! Our skaters showed us what they could do out on the ice and we had a wonderful team move on to Challenge in Regina. From there we have an excited team going to Canadians in Mississauga in January. We all wish those skaters good luck and a great skate!!

Congratulations to our Super Series winners that were named at Sections! You had a great year of skating!! A big congratulations as well to our Region Winners. Great job!

We have all been working very hard to pilot the STAR competition structure at our competitions. Laura Carr has been tweaking things as we go along — so that soon we will be where we want to be with this program. I thank everyone for their patience as we do work out the bugs! The skaters all seem pleased with their results at the competitions, so I believe that we are on the right track!

The new CanSkate program has been soft launched, and I hope that our Coaches do their training for this new program, so that the majority of our Clubs will be using this format by September 2013.

I hope that everyone is visiting our Section website – at skatinginbc.com to get information on competitions, events, technical updates, live streamed interviews, membership information, section updates, etc. There is a lot of great information there for you to take advantage of.

In closing I wish all of you the very best for this holiday season, enjoy your time with family and friends. Have a happy New Year, and we'll see you around the rink in January!!

Lorraine Mapoles BC/YT Section Chairman Skate Canada



#### **CONNAUGHT SC**

We kicked off our 2012-2013 season hosting our Annual Open House on September 9th, 2012. It was a terrific opportunity for new and returning skaters to meet our coaches and board of directors and get all the info they needed to start out the season, as well as browse through our Skate and Clothing sale. Parents were happy to see Jim Reid from the Leading Edge Skate Shop, who set up a table and answered all sorts of equipment related questions.

Six Connaught skaters competed at Sask Skate, September 28th-30th, in the Invitational and Open events. Larkyn Austman (Junior Ladies), Kurtis Schreiber (Novice Men) and Emma Carr(Novice Women, Sask Open) came home with Gold medals, while Shawn Cuevas (Junior Men), and Danielle Gordon (Pre Novice Women) came home with Silver. Eurwen Szeto finished a strong 4th (Novice Women, Sask Open).

As well, a team of 22 skaters travelled to the Autumn Leaves competition in Kelowna, coming home with Gold medals for Larkyn Austman in Junior Women, Elvie Carroll in Juvenile Women, and Jessica McHugh in Pre Juvenile Women. Danica Vangsgaard and Madge Sheung both won Silver medals in different groups of the Juvenile Women competition, and Alisa Katsuno won a Silver in Pre Juvenile Women. Basil Wang skated strongly to his Bronze place finish in the Pre Juvenile Men category.

We sent an 18 member team to the 2013 BCYT Sectionals in Parksville, which culminated in winning the Team Trophy for the first time since 2003. We have 3 new Provincial Champions: Mitchell Gordon (Senior Men), Shawn Cuevas (Junior Men) and Larkyn Austman (Junior Women). Two other Connaught skaters won provincial medals:

Danielle Gordon (Pre Novice Women) earned a Silver Medal, and Kurtis Schreiber (Novice Men) skated to a Pewter medal. All 5 skaters have now qualified to attend Skate



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Connaught SaskSkate Team

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Canada Challenge in Regina, SK. The event will be an exceptional experience for the athletes, complete with a wonderful support Team from the Section, including a fantastic Team Room hosted by Diane Neilson. Our Juvenile skaters also had strong results, with a Gold medal for Elvie Carroll (U14), and Bronze medals for Madge Sheung (U11), Rachel De Mello (U14) and Danica Vangsgaard (U14).

In late November, 34 of our skaters and all our club coaches were busy at the Jingle Blades competition in Surrey. Gold medals were won by Emily Ni (STAR4 U10), Alisa Katsuno (Pre Juvenile U11), Jessica McHugh (Pre Juvenile U14), and Martin Yushko (Pre Juvenile Men). Sasha Lynette won a Silver medal (STAR4 U10), and Basil Wang a Bronze medal (Pre Juvenile Men).

The Board of Connaught Skating Club is delighted to see that our team coaching initiative and innovative approaches to on-ice and off-ice programming are delivering results for our athletes. The Club invests significantly in the resources required to produce results, and we want to thank our Director of Skating and our coaching team for their vision, commitment, enthusiasm and energy.

We're sad to see Matt McEwan, a popular new member of our coaching staff, taking an extended leave to escape the Vancouver winter for the cruise ship life. This month we also welcomed a talented young coach, Sarah Arnold, to our coaching team.

On **Saturday January 26th, 2013**, Connaught Skating Club will be holding a very special event, "**No One Fights Alone**", a benefit show and silent auction for Angela Nelson. Angela is a young mother of two and the daughter of our long time ballet teacher, Melanie Pudlas, and is fighting stomach cancer. The benefit will commence at 5:30 pm at the Richmond Minoru Arena – Stadium Rink, and will feature 60 club members from the competitive levels of the club with solos and group pieces. All profits from the benefit show and silent auction will go to Angela's family or the cancer charity of their choice. Tickets are available online. For more information please visit www.connaughtsc.com.





Larkyn Austman with team trophy



#### **HOUSTON SC**

From local skaters to local leaders!!!

Adam Ells & Kelsey McEwen have been skating with the Houston Figure Skating Club since they were both young children. They have now spent the summer taking courses and preparing to take on the role as Co-Club Coaches of the Houston Figure Skating Club! Our club coach moved away at the end of last season and with her departure came a vacancy to fill. Adam & Kelsey will work together to run the club and use their years of expertise to train the upcoming new generation in the sport of learning to skate & figure skating.

Whether you are learning to skate to improve your skills to prepare you for hockey or ringette, or whether you hope to become

or ringette, or whether you hope to become the next Olympic Champion, the Houston Figure Skating Club is your obvious first choice sporting program! If you would like more information or to register please call Elaine @ 250-845-7402 or email her at eckaszas@hotmail.com



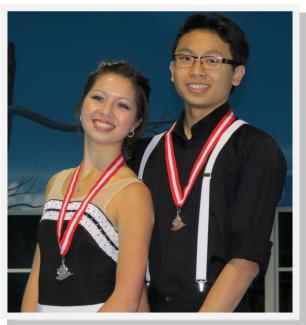
Adam Ells & Kelsey McEwan signing their coaching contracts

#### **JUAN DE FUCA SC**

# Sectionals

Five of the Club's skaters attended at the BC/YT Sectionals this November, and succeeded in displaying great skates. At the Juvenile Ladies level, Keisha Huchzermeyer, skating in the Under 11 category was 8<sup>th</sup> and Cassidy Steen in the Under 14 was 4<sup>th</sup> in Group 2. Emily Hanson in Pre-Novice Ladies ended up in 43rd spot.

Karlissa Lem and Le Vu were the silver medalists in Pre-Novice Dance, which now qualifies them for the Western Challenge in Regina, December 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup>. Good Luck Karlissa and Le! Well done on the accomplishments to date and we are proud of you!



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BC/YT Section Pre-Novice Dance Silver Medalists Karlissa Lem & Le Vu

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# Vancouver Island Interclub

Medals and placings abounded as JDF sent a team of 13 skaters to the V.I.I. in Nanaimo, November 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup>. In two different groups of Star 4 Girls 13 and over Traci Lewis was first, Emmah Langer 2<sup>nd</sup> Makayla Hodge and Alesha Blaylock hird with Natalie McFall and Julianna MacDonald being in 6<sup>th</sup> each. Coming in 1st were Cassidy Steen (Juvenile Women) Rachael Ferguson (Preliminary Womens Elements) and Emmah Langer (Bronze Women's Elements), 2<sup>nd</sup> Emerson van der Linden (Junior Silver Women), and 3<sup>rd</sup> Keisha Huchzermeyer (Pre-Juvenile Women U11). Also 3<sup>rd</sup> was Traci Lewis and 4<sup>th</sup> Julianna MacDonald in Bronze Interpretive. In Senior Bronze Women Molly Buchanan was 8th. In Introductory Interpretive Alesha Blaylock was 7<sup>th</sup>, Brea Christie 9<sup>th</sup>, and Makayla Hodge 10<sup>th</sup>. In the Silver Women's Elements Molly Buchanan was 6<sup>th</sup>, and in the Star 4 Girls (U-13), Marissa Willson-Dickson was 9th.

# **40**<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations

2012 marks the club's 40<sup>th</sup> year and we celebrated November 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25th. This included a gala dinner, a pub night and ice concert. Founding members Gayle Wallach and Joanne Van Amstel were in attendance at the gala and were appreciatively feted by emcee Marilyn Barlow, who also welcomed coaches and skaters and families that represented every decade of the club. The ice concert included current skaters of all levels, and featured several former club skaters including Corrine Stewart who was a club coach at JDF and was also this past year a double Gold medalist in Bronze Ladies III Artistic and Freeskate at



the ISU Adult Figure Skating Championships in Oberstdorf, Germany. Many thanks for the hard work and dedication of Dianne Keoughan and Cathy Steele who made the weekend something to remember. Happy 40<sup>th</sup> JDF!!

#### Ice Show

As the club winds down the season's first half with a test day and Winter Wonderland, our efforts are now turning to this year's Ice Show entitled "A Tribute to Julie Andrews" to be performed on Saturday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Looking forward to it!!

Juan de Fuca Skating coaches with founders Gayle Wallach (back row far left) and Joann Van Amstel (front row left)

#### PRINCE GEORGE SC

Ole Bjeld Memorial Trophy

This trophy is named in honour of Ole Bjeld. As a parent of the Connaught Community
Parent Advisory Council in Prince George, Ole (who had two daughters that wanted to skate)
helped form the Prince George Figure Skating Club in 1956 and later, when they moved to
Dawson Creek, formed the Dawson Creek Figure Skating Club.

He was very instrumental in getting people involved and established the judging infrastructure that greatly contributed to the development of the sport and the skater's advancement in their skills.

After Ole passed away in 1970, a group of judges (including a judge from Quesnel) contacted Ole's oldest daughter for permission to create this trophy in honour of Ole's years of dedication he put towards both clubs, as well as, the contributions he made in developing the Figure Skating community in this region. Currently this trophy is in circulation as the Regional trophy that is given to the club with the most points at the Regional competition. As a side note, Ole's daughters went on to skate for many years and judge. His youngest was the first in Prince George to receive her Gold Free Skate. Currently Ole's great granddaughters are skating for the Prince George Figure Skating club and he would be very proud of what they are accomplishing.

For further information on the history of the Trophy and figure skating in the Region, visit the Prince George FSC Website (www.pgfsc.ca).

The Prince George FSC continues the tradition that Ole started by actively promoting Figure Skating in the community and developing skaters to levels of excellence.





Ole Bjeld (1959)



The Quesnel Figure Skating Club poses with the Ole Bjeld trophy, presented to the club as the top team at the Cariboo North Central Regional Figure Skating Championships

(November 1991)

-- Quesnel Cariboo Observer, Wednesday November 13, 1991

# **QUESNEL SC**

Another great season is underway. This year we are fortunate to have Wendy Berezowsky join our coaching team of Jo-Ann Nadalin, Sharon Chow, and Dacie Kimmie. Wendy has coached here before and we are excited to welcome her back to Quesnel.

It has been a busy autumn. In September, the club hosted a "Come Skate With Us" session that was attended by many new skaters, returning CanSkaters, Program Assistants, and coaches. The CanSkate season is now well under way and we have many eager young skaters. Jo-Ann Nadalin has also started a new teenage and adult program aimed at beginning skaters. It is great to see so many new faces on the ice.

We have had a few skaters travel to various competitions around the province. At BC Summer Skate, Olivia Marleau skated in Pre-Novice Ladies U14 placing sixth. Valyce Mamic attended as a Star 2 and earned a Silver Assessment.

A group of five skaters was to travel to Autumn Leaves to compete. Unfortunately, one of the skaters broke a bone in her foot while attending a Justin Beiber concert. Apparently, he is more than just a heart breaker!!! The girls all did well and we are proud of their accomplishments. Casey Fisher Star 3 earned a Bronze Assessment, Carmen Huang Sr. Silver Ladies placed first, Cassie Greenwood Jr. Silver Ladies placed second, and Olivia Marleau Pre-Novice Ladies U14 placed fourth.

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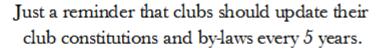


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Recently, we had two skaters travel to the Jingle Blades competition. Madison Nickolet placed first in the Star 4 category, and Selena Van Aert placed third in Gold Ladies. Great job ladies.

Olivia Marleau was able to attend the BC-YT Section Championships. She finished 16 out of 54 and placed seventh in the final Super Series standings. Way to go, Olivia.





Please send our updated constitution and

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FORM 100

NOTE THAT ALL COMMUNICATION FROM THE BC/YT SECTION NOW COMES VIA E-MAIL. IF WE DON'T HAVE UPDATED CONTACT INFORMATION FOR YOUR CLUB YOU WILL NOT

RECEIVE THE LATEST INFORMATION!



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Skate Canada Achievement Awards have been moved to an online system for the 2012-2013 season!



CanSkater of The Year StarSkater of The Year PA of The Year Coach & Volunteer awards!

All members can access the new online award application system, which can be found in Members Only > What's New > Skate Canada Achievement Awards.

If you know a deserving candidate, now is your chance to go ahead and nominate them!

www.skatecanada.ca

#### CONGRATULATIONS!

Hilary Quick Ethan Swinburnson Amy Garras

On your Senior Singles Promotions!

Way to go!!



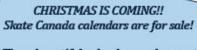
# BC/YT Open Synchro Championships

Competition dates:
12 January 2013 - 13 January
2013
Location:
South Surrey

Now Looking for volunteers! Contact:

Jm.bccr@telus.net

# **REGION NEWS**



These beautiful calendars make great skater, PA & Coaches gifts for Christmas as well as being a fabulous fundraiser for your Club. Please contact Pete: soulparole@hotmail.com



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RDT MEMBER AND NON TEAM MEMBER REGISTRATION

Registration forms online: Skatinginbc.com

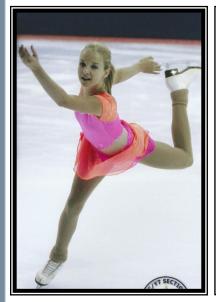
DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION - DECEMBER 19, 2012







# **2013 BC/YT SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS**



RACHEL PETTITT

Pre-Novice Ladies
Champion

Arctic Edge SC



VENIAMINS VOLSKIS

Pre-Novice Men's

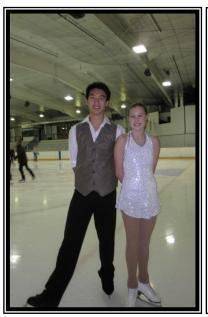
Champion

Burnaby SC



OLGA KUBLIY & THOMAS
BOGDANOV

Pre-Novice Dance
Champions
Coquitlam SC



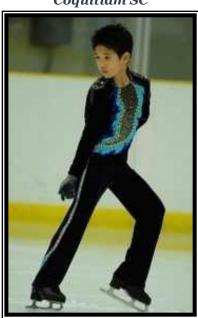
MEGAN GEDDES &
GARY TSAI
Pre-Novice Pairs
Champions
Abbotsford SC



JULIANNE DELAURIER

Novice Ladies Champion

Kelowna SC



ERIC LIU

Novice Men's Champion

North Shore Winter Club

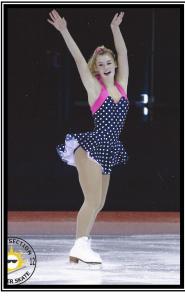
# **2013 BC/YT SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS**



DANIELLE WU & SPENCER SOO

Novice Dance Champions

**Burnaby WC** 



LARKYN AUSTMAN

Junior Ladies Champion

Connaught SC



SHAWN CUEVAS

Junior Men's Champion

Connaught SC



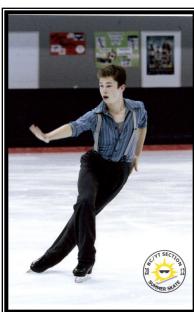
CAELEN DALMER & SHANE FIRUS

Junior Dance Champions

Vancouver SC



JACQUELINE LENIUK
Senior Ladies Champion
Terrace SC



MITCHELL GORDON

Senior Men's Champion

Connaught SC



# 2013 BC/YT SECTIONAL AWARDS

# Junior/Senior Women's Musicality

The Edward S. Barton Memorial Award

Jillian Noel

Raquet Club of Victora

# Junior/Senior Men's Musicality

The Edward S. Barton Memorial Award

Kurtis Hori

Sungod SC

# Artistry for Pairs/Dance

Richard Gilbert Memorial

Caelen Dalmer & Shane Firus

Vancouver SC

The Vancouver Province Team Trophy
Connaught SC

# **2013 BC/YT SECTIONAL AWARDS**

# Pre-Novice Women

Okanagan Region Trophy **Rachel Pettitt- Arctic Edge S**C

BC Coast Region Artistic Trophy Danielle Gordon -Connaught SC

# Pre-Novice Men

Kootenay Region Trophy Veniamins Volskis -Burnaby SC

BC Coast Region Artistic Trophy
Oliver Astren -Port Coquitlam
FSC

# Pre-Novice Dance

Audrey Moore Trophy Olga Kubliy & Thomas Bogdanov–Coquitlam SC

# Pre-Novice Pairs

Peter Sloman Trophy Megan Geddes & Gary Tsai -Abbotsford SC

# <u>Novice Women</u>

Vancouver Island Region Trophy & Bev Porter Artistic Trophy Julianne Delaurier - Kelowna SC

# Novice Men

Clifford & Doris Moore Memorial Trophy **Eric Liu—NSWC**  Bev Porter Artistic Trophy Alexander Lawrence-Vancouver SC

# Novice Dance

Connaught SC Trophy

Danielle Wu & Spencer Soo 
Burnaby SC

# <u>Junior Women</u>

William E Lewis Trophy & Carol Skuta Artistic Trophy Larkyn Austman-Connaught SC

# <u>Junior Men</u>

Burke Family Trophy & White Rock SC Artistic Trophy **Shawn Cuevas-Connaught SC** 

# <u>Junior Dance</u>

George Holman Trophy

Caelen Dalmer & Shane Firus –

Vancouver SC

# Senior Women

Arlene King Memorial Trophy & Kerrisdale SC Artistic Trophy Jaqueline Leniuk—Terrace SC

# Senior Men

Jean George Trophy & EPP Family Artistic Trophy Trophy Mitchell Gordon—Connaught



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# 2012-2013 INTERNATIONAL ASSIGNMENTS



Noa Bruser/Timothy Lum-JGP Lake Placid-August 29-September 2, 2012-5th

Mitchell Gordon-JGP Linz-September 12-16, 2012-8th

Jeremy Ten-US Senior International-September 13-16, 2012 - 7th

Liam Firus - US Senior International-September 13-16, 2012 - 8th

Madeline Edwards/Zhao Kai Pang-JGP Istanbul-September 19-23, 2012 – BRONZE

Caelen Dalmer/Shane Firus-JGP Slovenia-September 26-30, 2012 - 6th

Mitchell Gordon-JGP Zagreb-October 3-6, 2012 -12th

Kevin Reynolds-Ondrej Nepala Trophy-October 3-6, 2012 -4th

Noa Bruser/Timothy Lum-JGP Germany-October 10-14, 2012 - 4th

Liam Firus-Skate Canada GP-October 26-28, 2012 - 10th

Kevin Reynolds-Cup of China-November 2-4, 2012 -5th

Nicole Orford & Thomas Wiliams - Cup of Russia - November 9-11, 2012 - 8th

Kevin Reynolds-NHK Trophy-November 23-25, 2012 -4th

Nicole Orford & Thomas Williams - NHK Trophy-November 23-25, 2012 - 6th



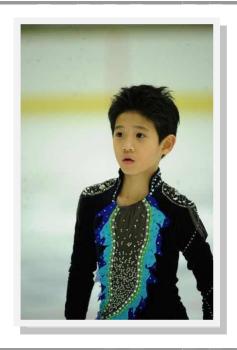
# 2013 SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE CHAMPIONS & MEDALISTS



JULIANNE DELAURIER
Novice Ladies Champion



DANA BOBYN
Novice Ladies Bronze Medalist



ERIC LIU

Novice Men's Champion



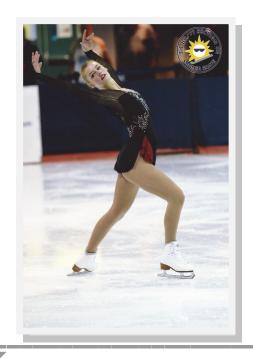
DANIELLE WU & SPENCER SOO

Novice Dance Champions

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ALEXA LINDEN & TYLER MILLER
Novice Dance Bronze Medalists



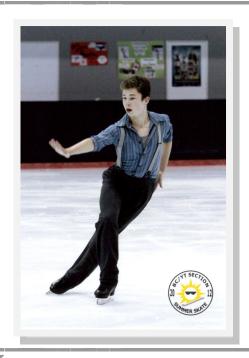
LARKYN AUSTMAN

Junior Ladies Champion



MADELINE EDWARDS & ZHAO KAI PANG

Junior Dance Champions



MITCHELL GORDON
Senior Men's Silver Medalist

# 2013 SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE RESULTS



# **Pre Novice**

**Ladies:** Rachel Pettitt (4th), Megan Yim (6th), Danielle Gordon (7th), Asia Gorman (16th)

**Men:** Venamins Volskis (5th), Oliver Astren (11th), Kevlin Koon (23rd), Benjam Papp (24th)

**Dance:** Olga Kubliy/Thomas Bogdanov (8th), Karlissa Lem/Le Vu (16th), Ravie Cunningham/Cedar Bridgewood (20th)

Pairs: Megan Geddes/Gary Tsai (11th), Tessa Jones/ Matthew den Boer (12th)

# **Novice**

**Ladies:** Julianne Delaurier (1st), Dana Bobyn (3rd), Kelsey Wong (4th), Belvina Mao (8th)

Men: Eric Liu (1st), Adonis Wong 5th), Alexander Lawrence (7th), Kurtis Schrieber (14th)

**Dance:** Danielle Wu/Spencer Soo (1st), Alexa Linden/ Tyler Miller (3rd), Brianna Delmaestro/Graeme Gordon (6th), Andie-Lynn Gingrich/Liam Kinrade (7th)

# <u>Junior</u>

Ladies; Larkyn Austman (1st) Cailey England (18th), Jayda Jurome (20th), Nami Inoda (25th)

**Men:** Shawn Cuevas (8th), Kurtis Hori (17th)

**Dance:** Madeline Edwards/Zhao Kai Pang (1st), Caelen Dalmer/Shane Firus (6th)

# Senior

**Ladies:** Larissa Horobec (24th), Jaqueline Leniuk (26th), Rebecca Hayman (34th)

**Men:** Mitchell Gordon (2nd), Emanuel Sandhu (5th), Graeme Gordon (11th)

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Belvina Mao

Men: Eric Liu, Adonis Wong, Alexander Lawrence, Kurtis

Schrieber

Dance: Danielle Wu/Spencer Soo, Alexa Linden/Tyler Miller, Brianna Delmaestro/Graeme Gordon, Andie-Lynn Gingrich/

# **JUNIOR**

Ladies: Larkyn Austman, Cailey England

Men: Shawn Cuevas, Kurtis Hori

Dance: Madeline Edwards/Zhao Kai Pang, Caelen Dalmer/

Shane Firus

# **SENIOR**

Men: Kevin Reynolds, Jeremy Ten, Liam Firus, Mitchell Gordon, Emanuel Sandhu, Graeme Gordon

Dance: Nicole Orford/Thomas Williams, Larissa Van As/Troy

Shindle



# **COACHES CORNER**



NCCP Instruction Beginner CanSkate Course

March 24-26th, 2013

Burnaby 8 Rinks/Accent Inn Burnaby

NCCP Instruction Intermediate Primary
StarSkate Course
March 22-24th
Burnaby 8 Rinks/Accent Inn Burnaby

Look for registration starting

January 7th, 2013.

Also coming:
NCCP CanPower Course
June 2013

NCCP ISPC Components

June 2013

# ADULT SEMINAR A GREAT SUCCESS

November 16-18th was a busy weekend at the Langley Events Centre. The Aldergrove Figure Skating Club hosted a most successful seminar for adults of all ages and stages, attracting skaters from all parts of the province, Washington and California. The participants were treated to wonderful coaching by many renowned names in the figure skating world. See the link below to read an entertaining article which captures the full flavour of the weekend.

A Fairy-tale Figure Skating Weekend (one amateurs perspective)



Adult Seminar Group show with Megan Wing & Aaron Lowe

# TECHNICAL UPDATES



# Communication No. 2012-06 BC/YT SECTION

# STAR 2 Category added to Super Series STARSkate Final Sections competitors entering STARSkate categories Updated information for Elements Events

November 30, 2012

Please note that the Super Series STARSkate Final Event to be held March 8-10, 2013 in Kelowna, BC will now include the STAR 2 category.

A detailed listing of all events to be offered at the STARSkate Final will be published in the competition announcement.

There has been some conflicting information communicated regarding Sections competitors (NOT referring to Juvenile) also competing in STARSkate free skate events. Although the Technical Committee discourages this, a policy has not been put in place. Therefore, for the remainder of this season, the following will apply:

Skaters who entered the BC/YT Section Championships in the Pre-Novice singles category or lower may enter STARSkate free skate events in Interclub competitions. However, they will not receive points for placement in the STARSkate standings. Skaters who competed in Novice or higher categories at Sections are not eligible to enter any STARSkate Free Skate events.

<u>Please refer to Communication 2012- 01 for more detailed information on points accumulation for Pre-Juvenile,</u> Juvenile and other STARSkate categories.

Elements Category clarifications and instructions for Technical Officials and Judges.
 Changes have been made to the Spirals in the Elements categories to properly correspond with the competition Spiral Sequence definition. The Spiral Sequence change will take effect beginning with the 2013 competitions.

Please refer to the <u>Elements document</u> posted on the <u>STARSkate Technical page</u>. This document also details the role of the judge and technical official.

The BC/YT STARSkate Technical Package has been revised to reflect the changes/clarifications to the Elements categories.

If you have any questions, please contact Janice Hunter janicedhunter@gmail.com.

# **NEW skatinginbc ONLINE SHOW**

Cont. from cover...

Skating fans got to share Nicole and Thomas's experiences from their first year on the Sr. Grand Prix Circuit as they took us through their performances from Sochi, Russia and Miyagi, Japan. Viewers had the opportunity to text in questions directly during both shows

These were the first live streaming skating interview shows in Canada and others will follow throughout the season. Both shows are archived on the www.skatinginbc.com website.

If you have any questions regarding this exciting venture please contact Tarrah Harvey at tarrah@skatinginbc.com.

# Click on the pictures below to view show





# **GOLD FEET**



#### **Blake Strachan**

Blake began skating when he was 8 with the Campbell River Skating Club and quickly gained a passion for the sport and a love of skating. Blake has had the chance to skate and compete in many local competitions as well as skating in 4 Provincial StarSkate Championships.

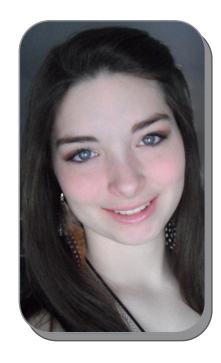
Completing his gold skills this past summer was a goal he set out for himself and achieved after working hard and believing he could master it!

Blake is now in his first year at UVIC and is eager to take any opportunity to spend even just a few minutes on the ice enjoying what he likes to do most SKATE!

# **Caitlin Cavalier**

Caitlin Cavalier has represented the Cranbrook Skating Club ever since she started skating at the age of 3. Now a Grade 10 student, she has just completed her Gold Freeskate which was the last of her gold tests.

The Cranbrook Club is proud of Caitlin for all her accomplishments in her tests and also her competitive record, skating and placing in many Starskate Provincial Competitions. Once her tests are completed, Caitlin's goals now are to stay competitive and enjoy the love of skating.



# **GOLD FEET**



#### **Jessica Hewison**

Jessica is 15 years old and is a student at Mount Baker Secondary School in Cranbrook. She has been skating with the Cranbrook Skating Club since the age of 3.

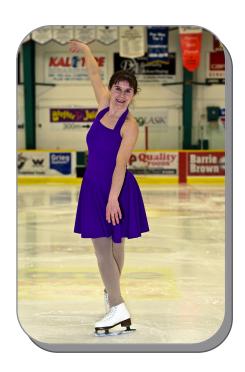
Jessica had a great skating season last year completing her Gold Skills and placing 2nd overall in the Super Series in Jr. Silver Ladies. She is currently working on finishing her Gold Dances, Gold Interpretive, and Gold Freeskate by the end of the year.

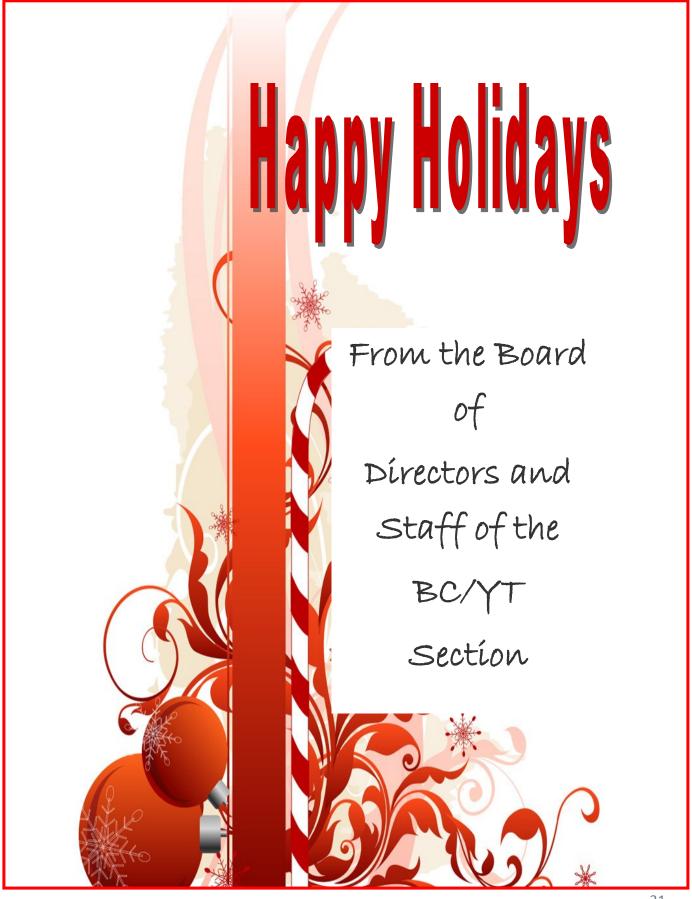
In addition to skating, Jessica also does Jazz and is working on completing her exams in this discipline. She would like to thank her coaches Suzanne McDonald and Daniela Hewison for their support.

# **Shannon Mather**

Shannon Mather started skating at age 9 with the Campbell River Skating Club and has neverlooked back! She has been with her long- time professional coach, Rae Anne Hesketh for 26 years and has recently passed her Gold Interpretive Test in April 2012. Shannon would like tothank her coach for the endless patience and guidance to help her achieve her goals.

Shannon also balanced her passion of skating by becoming a Skate Canada Judge. She feelsthis is an excellent way to give back and help skaters excel in this sport. Along with being a skater, Shannon is a Registered Massage Therapist working with many different athletes such as Iron Man Marathoners and Performing Dancers as well as skaters.





#### **ABOUT US**

We are Skate Canada British Columbia and Yukon Section. We are run by a Board of Directors and Executive Committee supported by individual and specific discipline and operational committees. The BC/YT Section has approximately 19,000 skaters, 115 clubs, 430 coaches and 229 officials which we serve. Our office has a staff of 3 full time and 4 part time staff.

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