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Skaters hit the ice in Kelowna to compete for a spot to Challenge.

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Pictured below: Miku Makita/ Tyler Gunara - Pre-Novice Dance Team



BC/YK SKATERS SHINE At Skate Canada Challenge Event

A historic Junior women's result...two National champions...positive results from our ice dancers...strong team heading into Canadian championships...that's the highlight box score for BC-Yukon Section skaters following the Skate Canada Challenge event held recently in Montreal.

The Challenge event dictates skaters, based on their performance, who will carry on to represent their Section at the National Championships January 15-22 in Ottawa.

BC-Yukon Section will be sending a plane load as 32 of our skaters qualified for the Ottawa event. Overall, BC-Yukon skaters won three gold, five silver and four bronze medals at Challenge, with the Junior women's event setting a Section milestone. We finished 1-2-3 for the first time.

Kelowna's Olivia Gran led the way with a great free skate to score 161.52 points for the gold. She had been in third place following the short. Champs International Skating Centre of BC, Emily Bausback finished in the runner-up spot with 158.52 points (leader after the short) while Kelowna's McKenna Colthorp made the triactor complete finishing with 151.57 points.

The Section's two national champions came in Pre-Novice when Kelowna's Daria Carr won the women's event with 103.86 points following her lead after the short program. Champs' Miku Makita and Tyler Gunara took the ice

dance title with what is believed to be a record 78.92 points. And to make the Pre-Novice event a total success, Connaught's Wesley Chiu won the silver medal in the men's competition with 91.53 points.

Following on the heels of the performance of Makita and Gunara, our Section ice dancers felt the incentive and let their presence be known as overall the Megan Wing/Aaron Lowe coached competitors (seven in all) captured one gold, one silver, two bronze and two fourths and a fifth.

*Junior women's event
setting a Section milestone. We finished 1-2-3
for the first time.*

The other ice dance medalists: Nina Mizuki and Veniaminus Volskis, silver, Novice dance; Ashlynn Stairs and Lee Royer, bronze, Junior dance; Haley Sales and Nikolas Wamstecker, bronze, Senior dance.

The Section also brought home medals in Senior competition, reigning Junior national champion Sarah Tamura of Champs, competing in her first Senior event, won the silver medal and former national Junior champion Mitchell Gordon, also Champs, finished third in the Men's competition.

Look out Nationals, here comes the BC-Yukon Section.

- By: Brian Pound

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

December 2016

What a wonderful season we have had to date. It was great to see things kick off with a more seamless registration process. There have been many competitions, test days, simulations, and Can-skate activities held around the province.

Congratulations to all of our medalists at the BC/YK Section Championships held in Kelowna this year. The Kelowna Skating Club once again did an amazing job in organizing this great weekend of skating. This year we saw the BC/YK team have a very successful Challenge in Montreal. Skaters please know how

very proud the Section is of all of you, and your dedication to the sport. A special thank you to our BC/YK Team Leaders, Joan Omasta, Gail Weber, Diane Nielson, Danielle Williams and Ted Barton who are there for support and encouragement the entire competition. It really was great to see everyone in action, and BC/YK had great results. Good luck to everyone that qualified to compete at Canadians in Ottawa next month, I know you are all training hard for this big event.

It was great to see so many Synchronized Skating teams both at monitoring sessions and at BC/YK Open held in White



Rock. Despite the snowy conditions all the volunteers, officials, coaches, and skaters came together for a great day of Synchronized and Adult skating.

I wish everyone the Happiest of Holidays and I hope it includes getting out and skating at your local club, community center, or maybe even outdoor rink!

Hilary Quick
Chairman BC/YK Section

A promotional banner for the 2017 Canadian Tire National Skating Championships. It features a male and female ice skater in a dynamic pose. The male skater is wearing a red shirt and black pants, and the female skater is wearing a red and white costume. They are skating in front of a backdrop of the Canadian Parliament Hill in Ottawa, with a Canadian flag flying. The text "NATIONAL SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS" is prominently displayed in the top left corner. At the bottom, a red banner contains the text "2017 Canadian Tire National Skating Championships January 16, 2017 - January 22, 2017".

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A LETTER TO SANTA

BY BRIAN POUND - A LONG TIME VOLUNTEER



Dear Santa:

I know I haven't written in a while, but this letter is not of asking but, instead, of giving thanks. As I enter my 59th year of involvement in figure skating, it's my way of extending gratitude to all the wonderful things you put on my Christmas list.

Let's go back to the late 50s when I lost a coin toss to another Junior reporter at the Province and you made me the paper's full-time figure skating reporter. You changed my life. You introduced me to a whole new world of sport, the athletes who competed, the coaches who coached and the people who made it all work. Those early "pioneers" of the sport, people like Billie Mitchell, Anetta Pagliaro, Joselyn Thacker, Jean Hefferman, Audrey Moore, Bill Lewis and many others, volunteers all, who shaped what would become the best Section in the country.

I remember the late Guy Nick keeping his skater Norma after practice one day at the old Forum and having her go through jumps to teach a novice reporter

what they were. I remember the friendship of the Mitchell family, Billie, Donna Lee and JD, who early on sat by my side and introduced me to the people I should know. I remember covering a young skater from Inlet SC, Tracy Wilson, who would grow up to win an Olympic medal and become the best figure skating analyst in the world. I remember those great kids who performed so well for our Province and our country....the McKilligans, Barry and Louise Soper, Joni Graham and Don Phillips, Shirra Kenworthy, Jay Humphry, and many, many more.

And then there was Karen. The last Canadian woman to win the world title (1973) and become a tremendous Ambassador for our sport, although in some quarters she was never given credit for it. As you know Santa, Karen has suffered a severe health setback and my one request in this letter is to give her strength to continue the fight back to good health.

Santa, you also gave me the

opportunity to get to know many incredible coaches, some who even questioned my reporting of their athletes and others who said thanks, but despite it all we became friends....people such as Jean Westwood, Alex Fulton, Linda Brauckmann, Helmut May, Edy Rada, Ron Vincent and Joanne McLeod.

So many people...so many memories.

Now the clock is ticking on a whole new era, and what an era it promises to be, Santa, a incredible lineup of skaters, coaches and officials who will continue to work to make the BC-Yukon Section the envy of the skating community in this country. So, with your permission, Santa, one more request. Wish them all a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

And the opportunity for me to say thanks for an incredible ride.

- Brian Pound

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AWARD NOMINATIONS

Here is the perfect opportunity to highlight valuable volunteers in your skating community. There are a variety of Skate Canada achievement awards to choose from!

All of the awards and their descriptions are listed on our website under clubs > awards.

Any questions can be directed to beyksection@skatinginbc.com

*Photo: Tracy Wilson awarding
Gail Weber the 2016 Skate
Canada Section Volunteer
Award of Excellence*



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ATHLETE AUCTION

The Athlete Auction is just a few short months away!

This past year we were able to distribute over \$15,000.00 to the BC/YK Team.
Help us keep this momentum going! Any size of donation is valuable!

If you have any questions or for more details please contact
Diane Nielsen dianev@telus.net

SPECIAL OLYMPICS BC/YK SKATING



News from Special Olympics BC figure skating: Coaches and athletes elevating performance

Special Olympics BC's Performance Program is a 10-year plan for enhancing the skills and performance of coaches and through them, all SOBC athletes. The goal is to elevate everyone's level of sport and performance by providing training and tools to participating coaches and athletes so they can share them with everyone in their home communities.

The Performance Program was introduced in 2011, beginning with aquatics and athletics, and SOBC has now implemented it

in all sports, including figure skating.

The program involves three components:

training camps where athletes and coaches from all over the province work with sport-specific experts and sport science experts to help develop their skills and knowledge and give them tools to share;

functional testing sessions that provide direct feedback on where the athletes are in their fitness and how they can improve, helping motivate the athletes and guide training; and coach-only camps and

summits where coaches come together to learn from experts, share their experience with others, and talk about their sports.

The next SOBC Figure Skating Performance Camp is in the works; the first two brought together athletes and coaches from around the province to learn and work together on a wide variety of elements, ranging from warmups, cooldowns, dryland fitness routines, and nutrition to on-ice acting and theatre techniques to enhance performances.

SOBC – Vancouver figure skating coach Landis Graham said she is glad to see SOBC figure skating coaches coming together through the Performance Program and learning from each other.

"That's what's so cool about Special Olympics – we're so willing to help each other to benefit the athletes," Graham said. "Coach collaboration and coaches getting to know each other across the province is really important. ... It will be good to share and make everyone stronger across the province."

At the first camp, the skaters had the chance to benefit from team coaching, as the coaches worked together as a panel on ice to review the skaters and brainstorm ideas to develop.

"The coaches don't usually have a chance to get together and brainstorm and share ideas, so I thought that was really important," Graham said.

Graham had filmed the athletes' performances at the 2015 Special Olympics BC Winter Games, so the group also had the opportunity to review and discuss those videos together.

"The athletes loved seeing each other's programs and they loved giving positive and constructive feedback," Graham said.

SOBC – Surrey skater Stephanie Divin said she took home a lot of ideas about exercising and stretching she can do before and after her on-ice practices, and about healthy eating, which she plans to continue implementing. She also particularly enjoyed the theatrical exercises where the skaters worked on enhancing the acting in their performances.

SOBC – Nanaimo skater Lucas Bell said he too enjoyed the acting work.

"They helped me learn how to do my bunny hop better, and I also liked doing those free-acting parts. ... I also learned about sections of the blade and where to put the pressure on when you're skating," Bell said.

We are grateful to all the coaches, athletes, and experts giving their time to make these sessions so valuable and helping develop skills around the province!

To learn more about the Performance Program, please visit specialolympics.bc.ca/performance-program. To get involved, please contact James Marchand, SOBC Sport Coordinator – Performance, by phone at 604-616-1342 or by email at jmarchand@specialolympics.bc.ca.

Stay tuned for more reports from Special Olympics BC's skaters and programs!





November 10-13, 2016

Kelowna, BC

SKATE CANADA

2017 SECTIONAL RESULTS

Pre-Juvenile

Men	Illya Bilous-Coquitlam SC	1st Place
	Neo Tran-Connaught SC	2nd Place
	Eason Zhu-Connaught SC	3rd Place
Women	Luka Miyake-Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Hailey Yu-Inlet SC	2nd Place
	Jessica Liang-Champs ISC of BC	3rd Place

Juvenile

Men	Brendan Wong-Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Shohei Law-Champs ISC of BC	2nd Place
	Ron Vainer-Coquitlam SC	3rd Place
Women U12	Emily Sales-Kelowna FSC	1st Place
	Peyton Molberg-Coquitlam SC	2nd Place
	Brooklyn Cowen-Kelowna SC	3rd Place
Women U14	Kiera Kam-Inlet SC	1st Place
	Charlotte Wilkinson-Vancouver SC	2nd Place
	Isabella Arney-Connaught SC	3rd Place
Dance	Kiara Kam/Mathew Carter Inlet SC/Champs ISC of BC	1st Place

Pre-Novice

Men	Wesley Chiu-Connaught SC	1st Place
	Shuma Mugii-Champs ISC of BC	2nd Place
	Christopher Fan-Champs ISC of BC	3rd Place
Women	Daria Carr-Kelowna SC	1st Place
	Vienna Harwood-Kelowna SC	2nd Place
	Maya Rose-Kelowna SC	3rd Place
Dance	Miku Makita/Tyler Gunara Inlet SC/Champs ISC of BC	1st Place

Novice

Men	Aleksa Rakic-Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Justin Hampole-Northern BC Centre	2nd Place
	Beres Clements-Champs ISC of BC	3rd Place
Women	Vasilisa Matantseva-Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Emma Bulawka-Kelowna FSC	2nd Place
	Ashley Sales-Kelowna FSC	3rd Place
Dance	Nina Mizuki/Venamins Volskis Champs ISC of BC	1st Place

Junior

Men	Brian Le-Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Ehren Chang-Connaught SC	2nd Place
	Benjamin Mangabat-North Surrey SC	3rd Place
Women	Mckenna Colthorp-Kelowna FSC	1st Place
	Emily Bausback-Champs ISC of BC	2nd Place
	Olivia Gran-Kelowna FSC	3rd Place
Dance	Ashlynn Stairs/Lee Royer Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Danielle Wu/Nik Mirzakhani Champs ISC of BC	2nd Place
	Ravie Cunningham/Cedar Bridgewood Racquet Club of Victoria SC	3rd Place

Senior

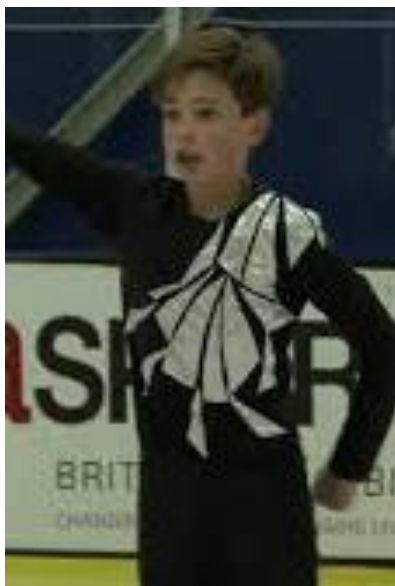
Men	Mitchell Gordon-Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Alexander Lawrence-Vancouver SC	2nd Place
	Antony Cheng-Champs ISC of BC	3rd Place
Women	Sarah Tamura-Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Larkyn Austman-Coquitlam SC	2nd Place
	Megan Yim-Champs ISC of BC	3rd Place
Dance	Haley Sales/Nikolas Wamstecker Kelowna FSC/Champs ISC of BC	1st Place
	Sarah Arnold/Thomas Williams Champs ISC of BC/Calalta SC	2nd Place

BC/YK CHAMPIONS

2017 SECTIONALS



Luka Miyake
Pre-Juvenile Ladies



Illya Bilous
Pre-Juvenile Men



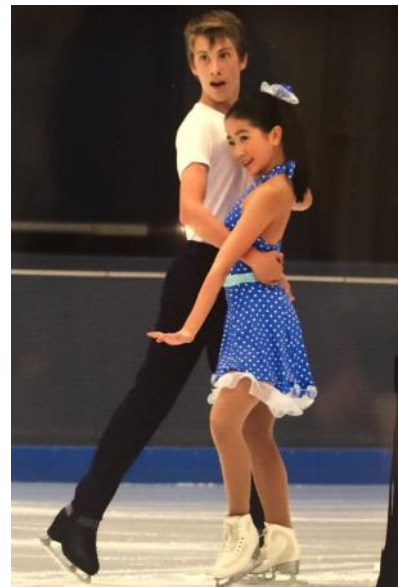
Emily Sales
Juvenile U12 Ladies



Kiera Kam
Juvenile U14 Ladies



Brendan Wong
Juvenile Men



**Kiera Kam/
Mathew Carter**
Juvenile Dance

BC/YK CHAMPIONS

2017 SECTIONALS



Daria Carr
Pre-Novice Ladies



Wesley Chiu
Pre-Novice Men



**Miku Makita/
Tyler Gunara**
Pre-Novice Dance



Vasilisa Matantseva
Novice Ladies



Aleksa Rakic
Novice Men



**Nina Mizuki/
Venamins Volskis**
Novice Dance

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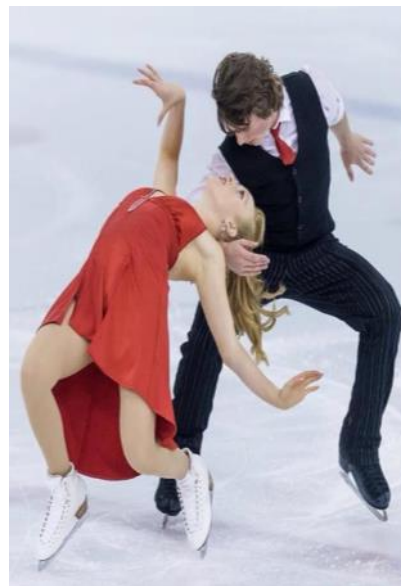
2017 SECTIONALS



McKenna Colthorp
Junior Ladies



Brian Le
Junior Men



**Ashlynn Stairs/
Lee Royer**
Junior Dance



Sarah Tamura
Senior Ladies



Mitchell Gordon
Senior Men



**Haley Sales/
Nikolas Wamstecker**
Senior Dance

2016 COMPETITIVE SUPER SERIES RESULTS

Juvenile Women U12		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Emily Sales	Kelowna FSC
2	Malayna Lesko	Kelowna FSC
3	Petyton Molberg	Coquitlam SC

Juvenile Women U14		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Kiera Kam	Inlet SC
2	Kate Cameron	Sandy Shores SC
3	Jordana McEachern	Glengarry SC

Juvenile Men		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Shohei Law	Champs ISC of BC
2	Brendan Wong	Champs ISC of BC
3	Ron Vanier	Coquitlam SC

Pre Novice Women		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Daria Carr	Kelowna FSC
2	Melody Zhu	Champs ISC of BC
3	Vienna Harwood	Kelowna FSC

Pre Novice Men		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Wesley Chiu	Connaught SC
2	Shuma Mugii	Champs ISC of BC
3	Christopher Fan	Champs ISC of BC

Novice Women		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Vasilisa Matantseva	Champs ISC of BC
2	Emma Bulawka	Kelowna FSC
3	Ashley Sales	Kelowna FSC

Novice Men		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Aleksa Rakic	Champs ISC of BC
2	Beres Clements	Champs ISC of BC
3	Justin Hampole	Northern BC Centre

Junior Women		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Mckenna Cothorp	Kelowna SC
2	Olivia Gran	Kelowna SC
3	Ajsha Gorman	Kelowna SC

Junior Men		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Brian Le	Champs ISC of BC
2	Ehren Chang	Connaught SC
3	N/A	N/A

Senior Women		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Danielle Gordon	Connaught SC
2	N/A	N/A
3	N/A	N/A

Senior Men		Final Results
Rank	Name	Club
1	Alexander Lawrence	Vancouver SC
2	Shawn Cuevas	Connaught SC
3	N/A	N/A

Congratulations to all of the
Super Series Winners!



Nov 30 - Dec 4th, 2016

Pierrefonds, Qc

SKATE CANADA 2017 CHALLENGE RESULTS

Pre-Novice

Men	Wesley Chiu	2nd Place
	Shuma Mugii	8th Place
	Christopher Fan	13th Place
	Carson Consiglio	16th Place
	Terry Yu Tao Jin	17th Place
	Jonathan Wu	20th Place
	Vincent Liang	22nd Place
	Alec Roueche	42nd Place
Women	Daria Carr	1st Place
	Maya Rose	10th Place
	Melody Zhu	14th Place
	Vienna Harwood	15th Place
	Marissa Yi-Shan Wu	35th Place
Dance	Miku Makita/ Tyler Gunara	1st Place

Junior

Men	Brian Le	11th Place
	Ehren Chang	19th Place
Women	Olivia Gran	1st Place
	Emily Bausback	2nd Place
	Mckenna Colthorp	3rd Place
	Ajsha Gorman	28th Place
	Kennedy Lavertu	32nd Place
	Elvie Carroll	39th Place
	Alexandra Canning	43rd Place
	Kayla Smart	49th Place
Pairs	Tessa Jones/Matthew den Boer	5th Place
Dance	Ashlynn Stairs/ Lee Royer	3rd Place
	Danielle Wu/ Nik Mirzakhani	4th Place
	Ravie Cunningham/Cedar Bridgewood	13th Place

Novice

Men	Justin Hampole	8th Place
	Aleksa Rakic	9th Place
	Beres Clements	10th Place
	Basil Wang	23rd Place
	Gabriel Blumenthal	25th Place
Women	Emma Bulawka	2nd Place
	Vasilisa Matantseva	10th Place
	Leah Lee	13th Place
	Mikayla Kramer	23rd Place
	Ashley Sales	25th Place
	Lititia Chen	31st Place
Dance	Nina Mizuki/Veniamins Volskis	2nd Place

Senior

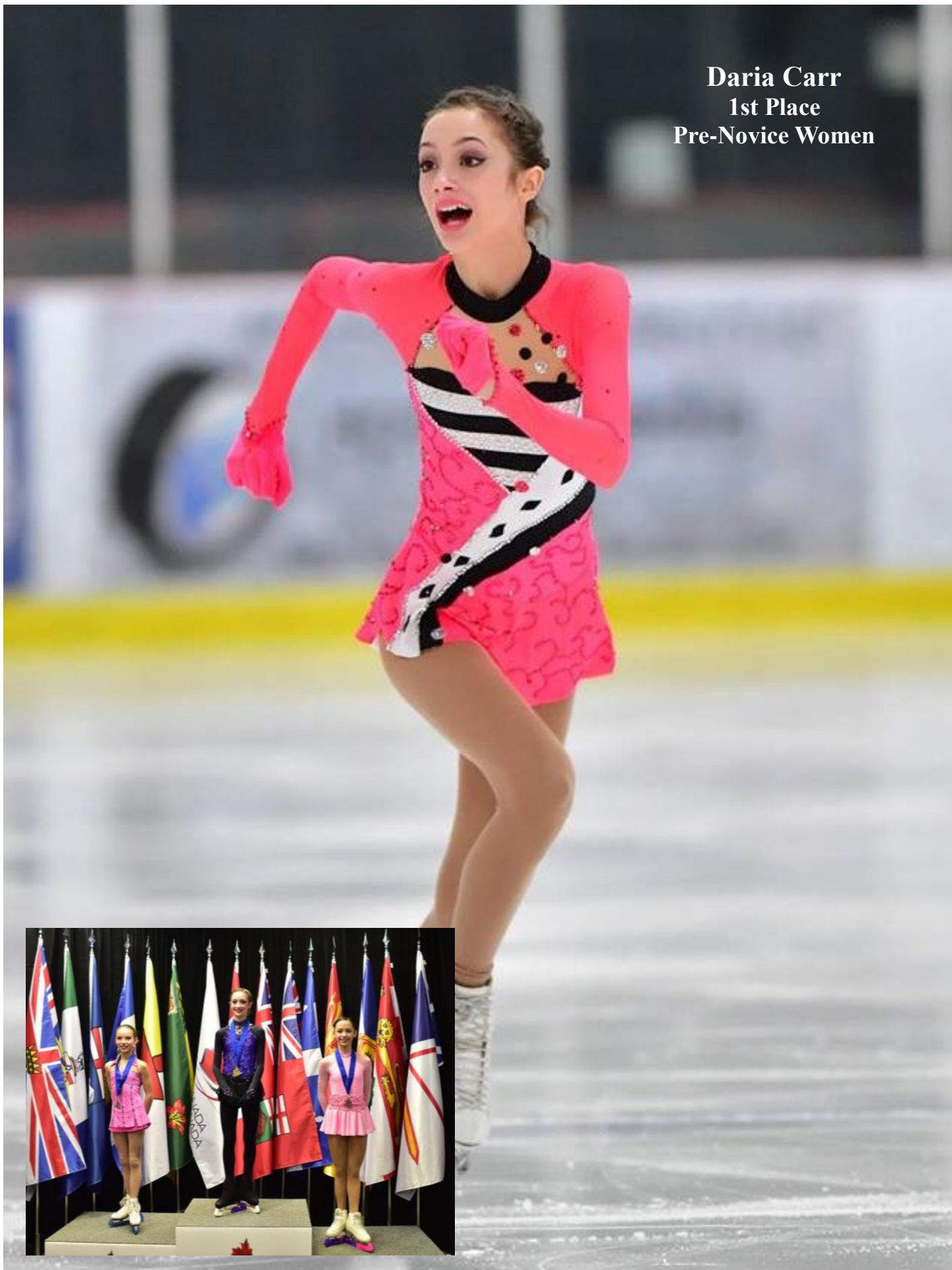
Men	Mitchell Gordon	3rd Place
	Antony Cheng	8th Place
	Alexander Lawrence	11th Place
	Shawn Cuevas	14th Place
Women	Sarah Tamura	2nd Place
	Larkyn Austman	4th Place
	Megan Yim	11th Place
	Kelsey Wong	19th Place
	Danielle Gordon	31st Place
Dance	Haley Sales/Nikolas Wamsteeker	3rd Place
	Sarah Arnold/Thomas Williams	4th Place

Congratulations to all the skaters who qualified for Canadians in January!

Also a BIG Thank You to all of the Team Leaders!

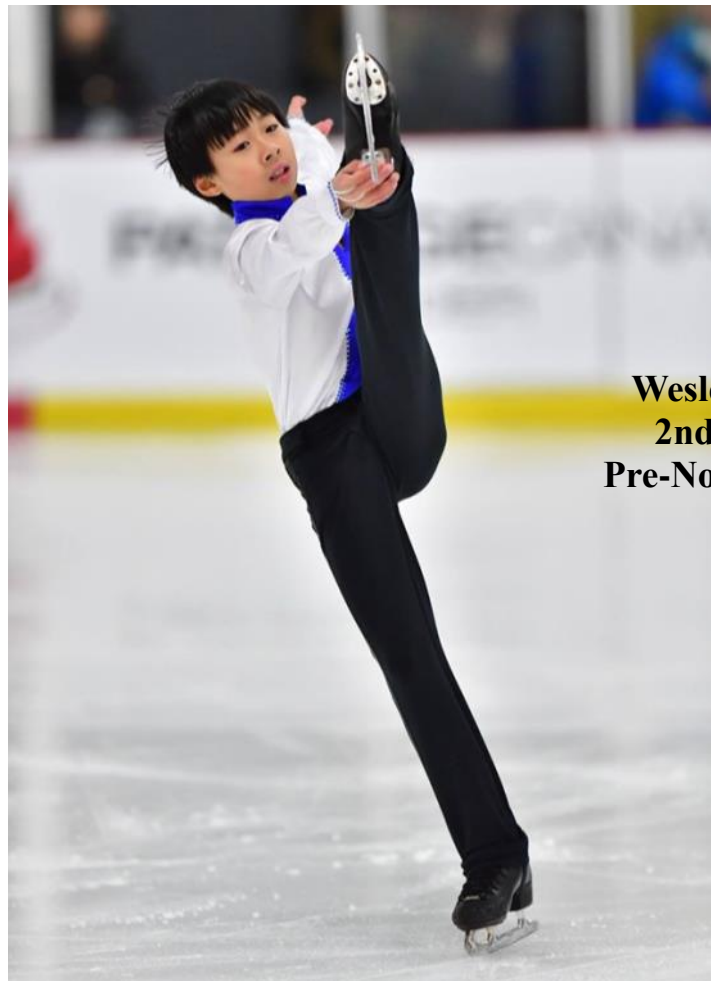
Photos from the event follow on the following pages.

Daria Carr
1st Place
Pre-Novice Women

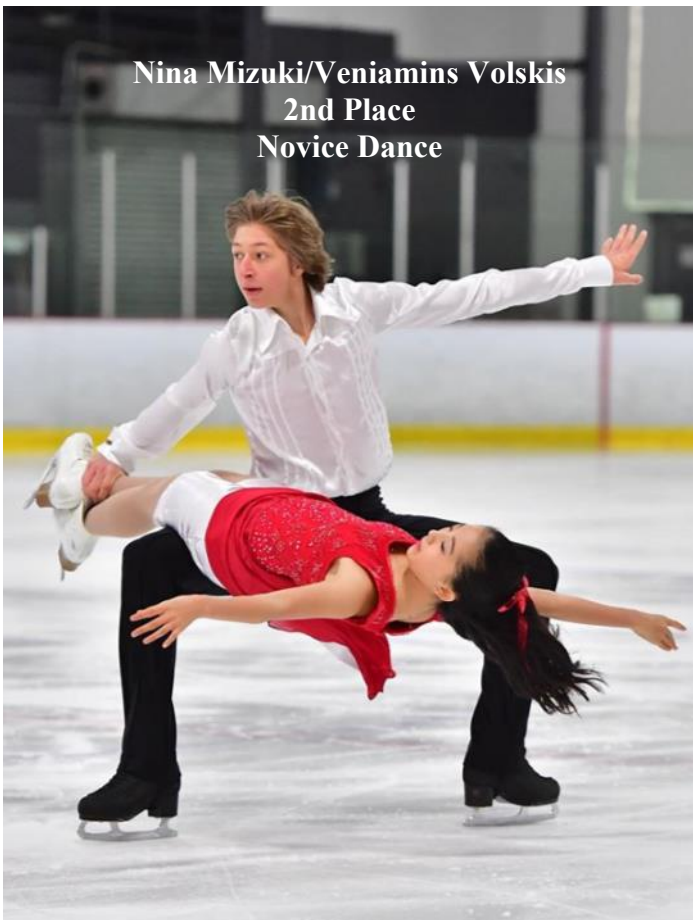


Miku Makita/Tyler Gunara
1st Place
Pre-Novice Dance

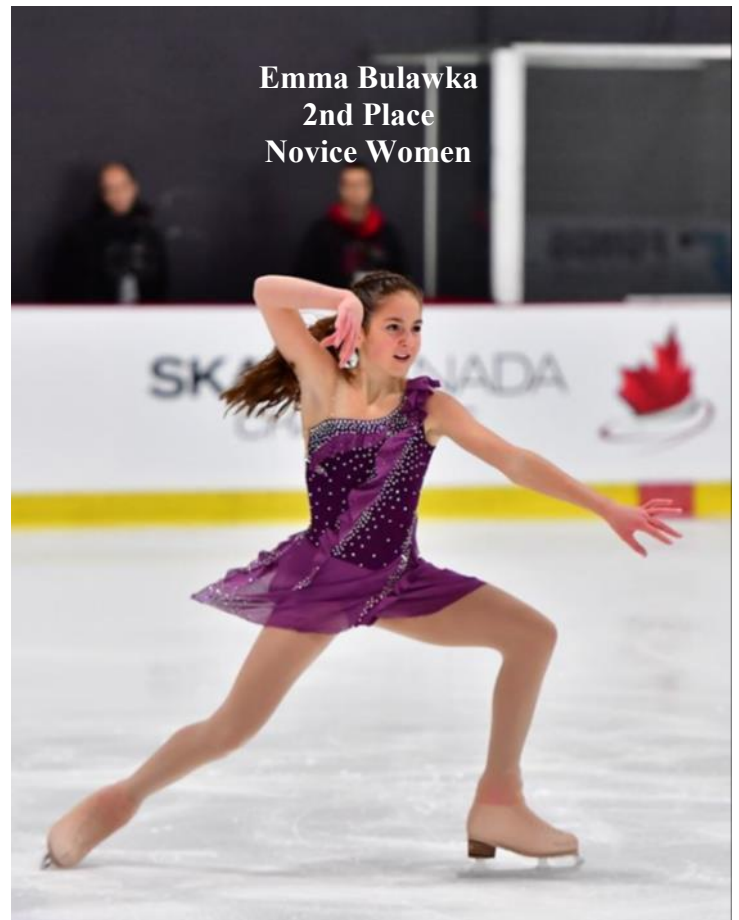




Wesley Chiu
2nd Place
Pre-Novice Men



Nina Mizuki/Veniamins Volskis
2nd Place
Novice Dance



Emma Bulawka
2nd Place
Novice Women

Olivia Gran
1st Place
Junior Women





**Junior Women's
Podium**



**Emily Bausback
2nd Place
Junior Women**



**Mckenna Cothorp
3rd Place
Junior Women**

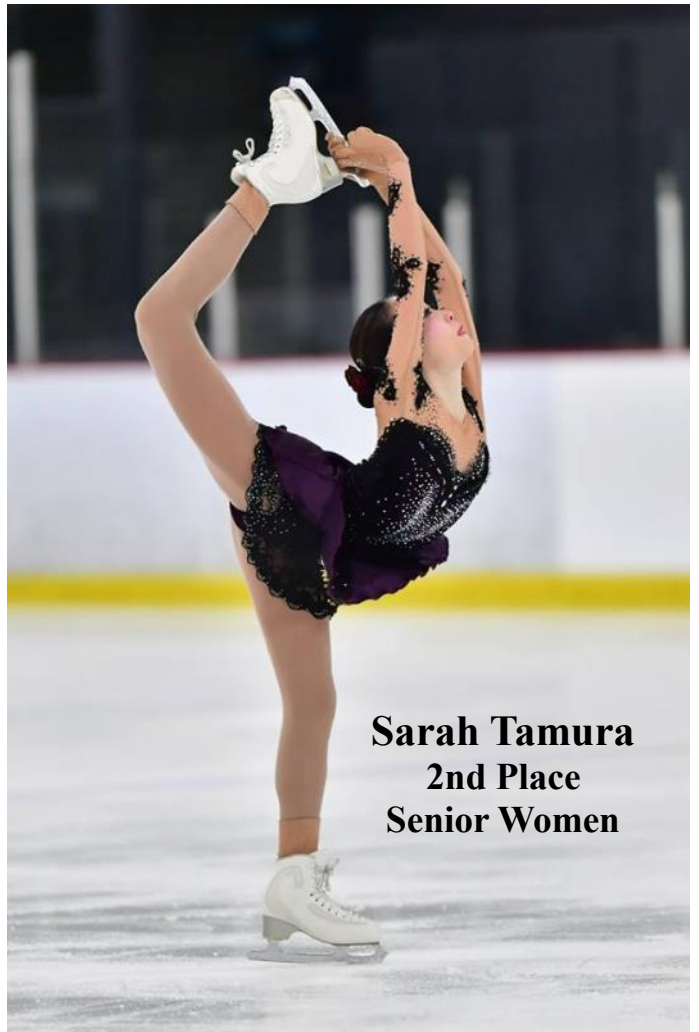
Ashlynn Stairs/Lee Royer
3rd Place
Junior Dance



Mitchell Gordon
3rd Place
Senior Men



Sarah Tamura
2nd Place
Senior Women



Haley Sales/Nikolas Wamsteeker
3rd Place
Senior Dance



Coaches Corner

NCCP COURSES



Course	Date	Location	Online Registration
CanSkate	March 19-21, 2017	Burnaby, BC	Opening in January
CanSkate	August 21-23, 2017	Burnaby, BC	Opening in June
Primary STARSkate	March 10-12, 2017	Burnaby, BC	Opening in January
Primary STARSkate	September 15-17, 2017	Burnaby, BC	Opening in Summer
ISPC	June 9-13, 2017	Burnaby, BC	Opening in Spring
CanPower	June 17-18, 2017	Burnaby, BC	Opening in Spring

More Information on the courses can be found on our website:

<http://www.skatinginbc.com/upcoming-coaching-courses>

National Coaching Certification Program (NCCP)

What is a NCCP#

All Coaches in BC/YK are required to have a NCCP #. This number gives Coaches access to "The Locker" which is where all Coach information and transcripts are found. Coaches with a Locker account can view/update personal information, coaching records and access printable transcripts. The Locker is an important tool that supports the efforts of all Canadians involved in coach education. Access to this site will provide all coaches with the opportunity to track their progress and guide their development.

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Langley, BC*

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closer to the date!*

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Merry Christmas from our family to yours!

High Test

Congratulations to all our skaters who had success with their High Tests this Fall! Looking forward to all those Gold Feet!

Low Test

Congratulations to all our skaters who had success with their Low Tests last week!

Clinic Class

In October the ASC held it's first Clinic Class called Back to Basics. This class was open to members of other clubs and offered 4 hours of on and off ice training. During Off Ice, skaters learned about the upcoming changes to the Star system, how to improve their programs and set short and long term goals. We are excited to be holding our second class in February!

Christmas Party

Our Annual Family pot luck & skate with Santa is being held Friday Dec 9th. Skaters of all levels choreograph their own programs and put on a show for our guests! Here's to hoping the weather is good to us!



This Fall... Autumn Leaves & Jingle Blades

45 competitors from our club competed at these two events, ranging from Star 1 right up to Gold Ladies & Pre Novice! We are so lucky to have such dedicated, hard working, talented skaters! For many of them their hard work certainly paid off this Fall. It's no wonder we have so many skaters eager to compete with role models like these! Congratulations to all our skaters, we look forward to seeing your accomplishments in 2017!



Ice show 2017- Watch for more details!

New & Improved website launching January 1 2017!

CLOVERDALE SKATING CLUB



<http://www.cloverdaleskatingclub.com/>

The Cloverdale Skating Club started the 2016/17 season with some coaching additions. Our coaches Elise Magill, Courtney Howe-Smith and McKenna Nickel were joined in September by Melissa Hayne as a new canskate coach to the club. We were then thrilled to add Jennifer Dougan to our team coaching staff in November. Jenn brings invaluable years of coaching experience to us as an NCCP 3 certified coach and we are honored to have her join our club. Our team coaches have made the change to the new Star 1-5 testing system this year at Cloverdale. We held an information session in September for all the parents and our Director of Programs, Elise Magill, has just completed our first successful test day in the new system.

We had competitors attend Jingle Blades in categories from star 1 to gold and personal bests were achieved by many including a Gold assessment for Angelena Truesdale in star 3, and Silver medal for Izabella Bryant in star 4 and a Gold medal for McKenna Nickel in gold interpretive.

For the second year in a row the club has participated in the Cloverdale Christmas Parade of Light. This event is fun for the kids and community alike and the skaters had a blast riding in our float singing along to Christmas carols for the spectators. This spring will be our Spring Fling event and our coaches are beginning to plan that event so stay tuned to see what they come up with.



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TESTS PASSED:

Sydney Thorarinson: Harris Tango
Claudia Enriquez: Quickstep
Alexandra Ye: Fiesta Tango
Amy Xie: Ten-Fox, Jr Brz Skills
Annaliese Beckmann: Dutch Waltz
Annika Cmolik: Swing
Brianna Bright: Swing
Caity Nash: Dutch Waltz, Prelim Free
Claire Won: Fiesta Tango
Elaine Chen: Canasta Tango
Emily Kim: Fiesta Tango, Jr Brz Skills
Katrina Shmig: Jr Brz Skills
Lucy Zhou: Fourteenstep, Ten-Fox
Mikayla Holmquist: Fiesta Tango
Moriah Holmquist: Swing
Rhiana Antoniuk-Davies: Baby Blues, Canasta Tango
Sasha Sharman: Fourteenstep
Sophia Haeun Jeong: Dutch Waltz
Sophia Kang: Dutch Waltz
Susie Lee: Prelim Skills
Taryn Ell: Swing, Jr Brz Skills
Tracy Zhou: Baby Blues

WELL DONE SKATERS!

HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM LSC

Hard to believe December is already upon us! We have had a great fall season at LSC. All our skaters, coaching staff, parents & volunteers have been working hard getting ready for our Ice Show! The skaters also managed to pass a few tests, compete at a competitions & participate in monitoring in between. A very big thank you to our coaches, we could not have done it without you. Our winter session is open for registration. We have lots of ice time and programs available for all skating levels. We look forward to seeing our skaters return with new goals in 2017. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

2016 Christmas **Skate-tacular**

December 17, 2016
2:00pm & 7:00pm
George Preston Arena
20699 42 Ave, Langley

Christmas Ice Show -
Featuring Langley Skating
Club Skaters and special
guests: *Nikolas Wamstecker*
and *Hailey Sales* (a Canadian
National Senior Ice Dance
Team)

Tickets: Adults \$10
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Website: www.skatelangley.com
at the door.. subject to availability

LOWER MAINLAND



SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CLUB

www.lmssc.org/

All our teams have had a lot of fun this season and hope you enjoy their routines as much as they do! Looking forward to Winterfest and Mountain Regionals in January and West Coast Challenge competition in February.



LMSSC Open, Ice X-calibur

The Open team is skating to a theme of "Freaks".
Coach - Danalee Harrison



LMSSC Adult 2, Ice X-quisite

The Adult 2 team skating theme is "Independent Women".
Coach - Danalee Harrison



LMSSC Adult 3, Ice X-perience

The Adult 3 team skating theme is "To Veronica, with Love".
Coach - Danalee Harrison



LMSSC Pre-Novice, Ice X-cel

The Pre-Novice team skating theme is "Black and White".
Coach - Leslie Rupp



LMSSC Beginner I, Ice X-clamation

Beginner 1 skating to Jungle Book theme.
Coach- Leslie Rupp



LMSSC Juvenile, Ice X-pectation

Juvenile skating to ABBA,. Lots of great fun and comradeship!
Coach - Leslie Rupp

SUNGOD SKATING CLUB

www.sungodskatingclub.com/



As I often find myself saying, it's been a busy few months at the Sungod Skating Club. Skaters continue to progress both on and off the ice, improving their technical and artistic skills as they absorb all the great coaching wisdom they get. Speaking of coaching, Sungod bid an unexpected farewell to our Director of Programs in early November, as Keyla Ohs has chosen to follow her dreams off the ice. With her departure, came a very warm welcome to our new Director, Lorenza Sammarelli-Kletas who is quickly coming up to speed with our Sungod family, and we look forward to seeing the vision that she brings with her to our Club. Together with Jeff Trott, the newly named Creative Director, Sungod is sure to have many exciting times ahead. The Sungod Family also wishes to recognize the long-time dedication of our coaching team, with Hana Haraga, Chelsea Ivanich and Jacqueline Chan – together this coaching group have helped many skaters make their dreams come true, and we are forever thankful for the time, commitment and positive attitude that they bring to the ice every day and to our Club year after year.

Sungod sent a number of skaters to Autumn Leaves in Kamloops in October and an even larger group to Jingle Blades in Vancouver in November, so the 2016/2017 competitive season has started off strong. We were very proud of the three skaters who represented Sungod at BC/YK Sections, in Kelowna in November – Pareena Sidhu, Valerie Wil-

liams and Kyran Steuart made golden memories on the ice!

As we look forward into 2017, Sungod is excited to be hosting Winterskate, the BC Coast Regional Championships, from February 3rd-5th, 2017 in North Delta, BC. Online registration filled up in record time and the Club is working hard to be ready to welcome skating families from all over in hopes of hosting a magical competitive experience for all who participate. We hope you can find time to come and watch some terrific skating and cheer on all the athletes.

Our Canskate program continues to thrive and registration is ongoing. For any inquiries about joining us for some lessons, please contact our Club Admin at info@sungodskatingclub.com

We wish everyone a Happy Holiday season, from Sungod Skating!



SUNSHINE COAST SKATING CLUB



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VSC Vancouver Skating Club

Congratulations VSC Skaters Alexander Lawrence & Liam Firus!
2017 Canadian Tire National Championships



Alexander Lawrence

Total Score 166.39

Skate Canada Challenge 2017

Upcoming Events: **Vancouver Skating Club Christmas Gala**
"The Nutcracker on Ice & Family Skate with Santa"
December 17th, 2016 Karen Magnussen Arena, North Vancouver



Tickets available at: www.vancouver skatingclub.ca CLICK Nutcracker Poster

Winter Break Schedule:

Facility - Harry Jerome Community Recreation Centre, 123 East 23rd St., North Vancouver

Tuesday through Friday
Tuesday through Friday

Dec 20, 21, 22, 23
Dec 27, 28, 29, 30

9am - 11:15am
9am - 11:15am

For more information:

Vancouver Skating Club, North Shore, 604.924.1134, www.vancouver skatingclub.ca

WHITE ROCK SOUTH SURREY SKATING CLUB

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\$15 / TICKET
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FOR TICKET INFO e: wrssc50@gmail.com t: 778-294-7334

2017 marks the 50th Anniversary of the White Rock South Surrey Skating Club. The Club invites everyone who has been a part of WRSSSC at any time during these past 50 years to join them on **Saturday, May 13th between 7pm and 10 pm** for a “Reunion Get Together” to reminisce and celebrate this exciting milestone.

We hope to see many skating enthusiasts, both old and young, at **Centennial Arena** in White Rock to enjoy refreshments, a cash bar and canapés, as well as the opportunity to reconnect with friends. Tickets are only \$15 and can be reserved by emailing wrssc50@gmail.com or calling Siobhan at 778-294-7334.

Please share this information widely as we are sure that many former White Rock skaters and their families are scattered throughout the province and the skating world, but we hope they would love to attend out celebration.

On February 25th our **Ice Show “Solid Gold”** will take place at South Surrey Arena with a matinee and an evening performance. The event will be a spectacular presentation to commemorate and celebrate WRSSSC’s five decades of providing youth figure skating opportunities on the Peninsula. In addition, the Club will have some fun concourse activities, including a silent auction and raffles. Tickets can be purchased for \$15 through the Club office, or from the link on the Club website at wrssc.com, or at the door.

OKANAGAN REGION News

KAMLOOPS SKATING CLUB



kamloopsskatingclub.com/

This fall has been a wonderful session for the Kamloops Skating Club. We have experienced a lot of growth in our Can-Skate programs. We are running 6 classes up from 4 in previous years; we have had significant growth in the number of skaters entering our classes, so much so, that sadly we have had to turn some away. We are seeking another coach whom will have the right fit within our club. We have seen a large amount of growth in our Junior Academy Program too! At our Christmas Skate we celebrated our Head Coach Heather Ansley's 35th year as a skating coach. We are so thankful for all her years of dedication to our club as well as her thoughtful and pragmatic suggestions. Our StarSkaters skated in the Autumn Leaves and the Okanagan Interclub Competition, where they all did amazing. This January we have a few skaters that will be doing their routines during WHL hockey games intermission. The Kamloops Skating Club is eagerly looking forward to our 2017 session!!



KELOWNA SKATING CLUB

www.kelownaskatingclub.com

At the end of August, our own Olivia Gran represented Canada for the ISU Junior Grand Prix France, at St Gervais, for her first international assignment. It was an incredible experience for her, and she finished in 9th place.



Liv and Kenna at Autumn Classic

In October, Olivia joined Mckenna Colthorp for another international assignment, this time to the Skate Canada Autumn Classic held at Montreal. Olivia and Mckenna finished a fantastic 2nd and 4th, respectively! Daria Carr was also at the venue, as she was selected to attend the Skate Canada NextGen Camp. She was invited to this wonderful opportunity by way of finishing first in the Pre-Novice Women's level of the Skate Canada National Summer Series!

Our skaters also enjoyed terrific results at the Super Series Autumn Leaves competition at Kamloops, where 30 kids won 13 medals! Mckenna Colthorp (Junior), Daria Carr (Pre-Novice), Emily Sales (Juvenile U12 group 2), Gabrielle Jugnauth (Star 4 U10 group 1), and Megan Yudin (Star 4 U10 group 2) won gold medals!

At the end of October, 60 of our skaters from Junior Academy through High Performance levels took hit the lanes to take part in "Bowling Buddy Day". A blast was had by all (despite the numerous gutter balls)!

In November, we were very pleased to welcome skaters from throughout BC and Yukon, as we hosted the Sectional Championships. Our skaters combined to win 10 medals! Congratulations to Emily Sales (Juvenile Women U12), Daria Carr (Pre-Novice Women), Mckenna Colthorp (Junior Women), and Haley Sales and Nik Wamstecker (Senior Dance) for capturing provincial titles! Special recognition also goes to Emily and Mckenna,

as well as Vienna Harwood (Pre-Novice Women) and Mikayla Kramer (Novice Women) for winning their event Artistic Awards.

The Sectionals also served as the final event for Super Series competitive events. A huge congratulations to our following skaters who showed consistency over the season and won Super Series trophies:

Junior Women—Mckenna Colthorp 1st, Olivia Gran 2nd, Ajsha Gorman 3rd
Novice Women— Emma Bulawka 2nd, Ashley Sales 3rd
Pre-Novice Women— Daria Carr 1st, Vienna Harwood 3rd
Juvenile Women U12 – Emily Sales 1st, Malayna Lesko 2nd

The following week, longtime KSC skater and coach Brittany (Novakowski) Krieg gave birth to a beautiful baby girl, Rylee Krieg. Congratulations to Brittany and her husband Josh! A future skater perhaps...? Training commences next month!

Our younger skaters also had some great performances near the end of November, as 16 skaters won 15 medals at the Okanagan Interclub competition at Armstrong. Konstantina Lock (Star 4 U10), Gabrielle Jugnauth (Star 5 U13), Taiya Knight (Pre-Juvenile Women) Emily Sales (Juvenile Women), Katie Jones (Creative Improv) and Mackenzie Nelmes (Star 7/8 Elements) won gold medals. Way to go girls!

At the end of the month, ten of our BC Team skaters attended the Skate Canada Challenge at Pierrefonds, QC, and achieved incredible results!

Daria Carr – Pre-Novice Women's Champion of Canada! Maya Rose – 10th, Pre-Novice Women, Vienna Harwood – 15th, Pre-Novice Women, Emma Bulawka – 2nd, Novice Women – qualifies to Skate Canada Nationals, Mikayla Kramer – 23rd, Novice Women, Ashley Sales – 25th, Novice Women Olivia Gran – Champion, Junior Women – qualifies to Skate Canada Nationals, Mckenna Colthorp – 3rd, Junior Women - qualifies to Skate Canada Nationals, Ajsha Gorman – 28th, Junior Women

Haley Sales and Nik Wamstecker – 3rd, Senior Dance – qualify to Skate Canada Nationals.



Greetings from Kelowna!

As usual, our club had a very busy Fall season!



Olivia in Megeve, France



Buddy Day



Daria with Jason and Karen at Pierrefonds

We are so incredibly proud of all of you!
Wishing you all a fantastic holiday season!

MT BOUCHERIE SKATING CLUB



www.skatemtb.com/

Our first competition this fall was the 2016 Super Series Autumn Leaves in Kamloops, B.C. In Star 2 we had Sophie Hughes and Shaelyn Hunter, who both won Bronze assessments. In Star 3 we had Taylor Luft and Shanelle Rodrigues who won Silver and Jessica Hatch who won a Bronze assessment. Shy Kuchera placed 13th in Star 5 U13 girls. Taylor Flemming got a Silver medal in Star 9 and placed 4th in the Juvenile Women U14. Phoebe Kemp placed 4th in Gold Women. In Pre-Novice Women, Tianna Potts placed 8th and Shaya Jefferies placed 17th. In the Novice Women, Natasha Baranyi placed 14th and Makenna Jensen placed 12th. Kayla Smart placed 4th in Junior Women. "Congratulations Everyone."

The next competition was 2017 Skate Canada BC/YK Section Championships in Kelowna, B.C. Taylor Flemming placed 5th in Juvenile Women U14. Taylor also won the region award for the highest points in Juvenile U14! Tianna Potts placed 13th and Shaya Jefferies placed 20th out of 45 skaters in Pre-Novice Women. Makenna Jensen placed 8th and Natasha Baranyi placed 14th out of 25 skaters in the Novice Women. Kayla Smart placed 7th in Junior Women. This also earned Kayla a wild card spot to Challenge in Montreal, Qc. "Congratulations Girls."

Our next competition was Okanagan Interclub in Armstrong. In Star 1 Madeline Carroll got Bronze assessment, Alexi Browning, Addison Luft got Silver and Matthew O'Donaghey got a Gold assessment. In Star 2 we had Gigha Roen and Savannah Jones who got a Bronze assessment, Shaelyn Hunter and Sophie Hunter got Silver. In Star 3 Megan Scowen got Bronze. Taylor Luft and Sheena Roen got Silver and Shanelle Rodrigues got the Gold. Jennifer Dmytrowich placed 4th in the Star 4 U13 girls event. Shy Kuchera placed 10th in the star 5 U13 girls event. Phoebe Kemp got a Gold medal in the Gold women. "Fantastic Job Everyone."

Kayla Smart attended Challenge in Montreal at the beginning of December and gave a great effort. She placed 49th against some tough competition and we are all proud of her!

Our club had a lot of fun with Spirit days this fall. For September we had colorful jacket day. October was Halloween costumes and November was colorful gloves and braids.

We hope everyone has a great Christmas and New Years and enjoys the holidays.



HAZELTON SKATING CLUB

www.facebook.com/hazeltonskatingclub/



Doug Donaldson, MLA Stikine, Hon. Todd Stone, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure and other Upper Skeena dignitaries at the funding announcement in Hazelton.

On October 25, 2016, BC Minister Todd Stone, Transportation and Infrastructure, stood in front of Hazelton's outdoor rink to announce 12 million dollars in federal and provincial funding for the Heart of the Hazeltons' Upper Skeena multi-use recreation facility. This money will complement the 4 million already raised locally. The club's dream for a clean, well-functioning, inspired skating space will finally come true in 2018.

Our rink was condemned in March 2015; the roof was torn off and we've been skating outdoors on what's left of our ice rink ever since. Blood, sweat and tears by dedicated community volunteers have kept the rink going and as for the club, we're in our second season of outdoor skating. There is a lot of uncertainty using outdoor ice and the club faces challenges every time we skate. This includes things like skating in the rain or horizontal snowfall, skating through puddles, asking parents to shovel off bleachers or paying attention to the coach while catching snowflakes on your tongue!

We offer CanSkate and Star skate programs and have 50+ registered skaters this year. Stacey Brown, certified Skate Canada coach mentors the Junior and Senior Star skaters as program assistants for CanSkate.

With a beautiful new facility on the horizon, we will be actively seeking another certified coach for Hazelton. The Upper Skeena area and surrounding towns offer an amazing and affordable lifestyle. Outdoor pursuits include skiing, hiking, mountain biking, fishing, boating and more. A coach who settles here could take advantage of the need and opportunities in neighbouring towns to coach with their clubs too. The opportunities within Hazelton's club for program development are limited only by a coach's imagination and time (adult and teen learn-to-skate, power skating, working with schools to add skating to physical education curriculum).

You saw us at the K'la How Ya competition in Vanderhoof this month and you'll see us at the 2017 CNC Region Championships.

MILE ZERO

FIGURE SKATING CLUB



www.milezerofigureskating.ca/

The Mile "0" Figure Skating Club in Dawson Creek has 147 skaters, from Pre-Canskate to Star 5+. Skaters are currently preparing for our annual Christmas Show on December 16. This will be followed with a Christmas party and Secret Santa gift exchange for our StarSkaters. Skaters will have a busy winter preparing for several competitions. Our four older synchro teams will compete at the Rose Bowl Synchronised Skating Competition in Calgary on January 14-15. Other competitions include Regionals in Williams Lake, the Peace Region Open in Grande Prairie and the Totem Interclub Competition in Dawson Creek.

We are very lucky to have such a supportive parent group and community for our events as well as fundraising.



Halloween (Stars 3-5+)

NORTHERN BC CENTRE FOR SKATING



www.skateprincegeorge.com/

Season's Greetings from the NBCCS! How quickly the fall season has gone by and Christmas is knocking on our doors. Fall was a busy time for everyone with new skaters joining our club, new solos and skills to be learned and the Centre also welcomed a new and talented junior coach, Chelsea Akerley, to their coaching team.

October started with the annual CNCR seminar which saw many skaters taking the opportunity to hone and learn new skills on and off the ice.

At Autumn Leaves in Kamloops a total of 18 skaters competed in levels from Star 2 to Novice Men. Team NBCCS arrived home with a total of four medals; one gold, two silver, one bronze and several personal best scores in their luggage.

Not only competing was on the schedule for our athletes this fall, the Intermediate and Senior skaters showcased their skills during the intermission at our local hockey heroes, the Cougars, and performed a fast and fun program that was enjoyed by a packed CN Centre. Many of our skaters also had an opportunity to perform their solos at Prince George's Junior A hockey team, the Spruce Kings, home games.

In November the NBCCS sent three skaters to the BC/YK Sectional Championships in Kelowna, Justin Hampole, Reese Johnson and Jayna Mason. Justin finished 2nd overall in Novice Men and qualified to compete at the 2017 Skate Canada Challenge for the 5th time. Justin also received the 3rd place Pond to Podium series trophy.

To help the City of Prince George ring in the Holiday season five skaters braved the freezing temperatures and performed their solos outside at the Annual Civic Centre Christmas Light Up ceremony.

December arrived with Justin Hampole competing at the 2017 Skate Canada Challenge and qualifying with a new personal best score and an 8th place finish to compete at the 2017 Canadian Tire National Skating Championships in Ottawa in January 2017. Justin is the first skater from Prince George in 18 years that has qualified for a National Championship.

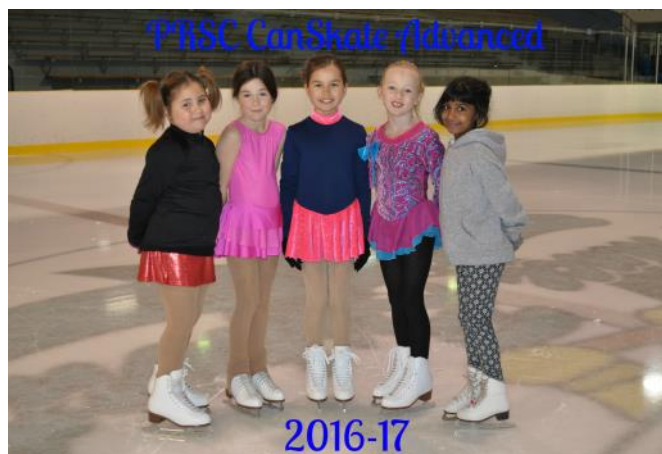
*From our Skating House to Yours
We Wish You All a Very Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!*



PRINCE RUPERT SKATING CLUB

www.facebook.com/rupert.recreation/

The Prince Rupert Skating Club is off to an exciting season! We will host a Mid-Season Ice Show on December 14th. This will be a great opportunity to showcase our hardworking Can Skate groups and allow for our Star 2+ skaters to perform their solos. Kudos to the club parents for their dedication and commitment to fundraising! The club is also working hard towards hosting a Jamboree in February 2017 and we look forward to our neighbouring clubs to join us!



QUESNEL FIGURE SKATING CLUB

www.quesnelfigureskatingclub.com/

Our fabulous, QFSC coaches hosted a bowling party for Junior Academy, Intermediate and Senior skaters during 'Moonlight Madness' in Quesnel on November 19! Everyone had a fantastic time.



SNOW VALLEY SKATING CLUB



www.kitimatsnowvalleyskatingclub.com/

The Snow Valley Skating Club has had a fantastic season so far... we started the season off with a wonderful seminar with Zdenek Pazdirek and Kelley Champagne from the Coquitlam Skating Club. It is always a treat to have these two join us. Everyone learned a lot and had so much fun!

We had a Halloween skate for all of the recreational skaters and had some real characters show up for practice that day!



TERRACE SKATING CLUB

www.terraceskatingclub.com/



Terrace Skating Club sent 15 skaters (Star 1 to Star 8 to Juvenile) to Vanderhoof to compete at the Kla-How-Ya Interclub competition Dec 2nd - 4th. There were skaters from as far west as Prince Rupert & all the way east as Quesnel.

The skaters brought home 13 Gold medals, 12 silver medals, 8 bronze medals, 1 gold evaluation, 15 silver evaluations and 6 bronze evaluations.

The medals added up quickly and gave TSC the most team points winning them the Team Overall Trophy for the second year in a row.

Coaches Jennifer Kuehne, Kelsey Minhinnick and Heather Hanna are very pleased with how hard the skaters worked toward this competition.



BEAVER VALLEY SKATING CLUB

www.beavervalleyskating.ca

The Beaver Valley Skating Club had a busy October and November starting with a Halloween Party in October and a Lap-a-Thon and Competition Simulation in November. The Simulation was a great chance for all the skaters to perform their solos in full competition outfits and makeup prior to the first Region competition. Evaluators watched the performances and gave feedback to the coaches. All participants received a chocolate medal and had their picture taken on the podium. It was a great event!

BVSC Competition Simulation



BVSC Lap-A-Thon



Brenna Paulsen competed at the 2016 Super Series Autumn Leaves October 22-23, 2016 placing 1st in Novice Dance and 2nd in Pre-Juvenile U13.

Claire Sibbald competed Juvenile U14 at the 2016 Super Series Autumn Leaves, Oct. 22-23, 2016 and the BC/YK Section Championships Super Series Final in Kelowna Nov. 12/16.

New Club Jackets



CASTLEGAR SKATING CLUB

castlegarskating.wordpress.com/



The Castlegar Skating Club is looking forward to an exciting and successful skating season with Head Coach Rachel Stewart and new STARSkate Coach Alice Fischer- Albert. This season, the club successfully implemented a second day of Canskate programming with the assistance of our CanSkate Coaches (In Training), Dawn Hadikin, Candice Soukeroff and Ashley Ross. The Castlegar STARSkaters are off to a great start to the season. Ten skaters attended the East Kootenay Invitational with wonderful results:

STAR 2: Taylor Singer – silver ribbon

STAR 4 U13: Jordan Singer bronze medal; Hailey Gleboff 4th place

STAR 4 O13: Allison Soukeroff silver medal; Tara Gleboff bronze medal;

Alexia Kardash 4th place

STAR 5: Sarah Cousins gold medal; Zoey Crockart silver medal; Megan Cousins 4th place; Candice Soukeroff 5th place

Intro Interpretive: Alexia Kardash silver ribbon; Jordan Singer silver ribbon; Taylor Singer silver ribbon

Bronze Interpretive: Tara Gleboff silver medal; Megan Cousins 4th place; Sarah Cousins 4th place; Hailey Gleboff 5th place; Zoey Crockart 9th place

Silver Interpretive: Allison Soukeroff 7th place; Candice Soukeroff 8th place

Elements:

STAR 2 – Taylor Singer gold ribbon

STAR 4 – Hailey Gleboff silver medal; Tara Gleboff silver medal; Allison Soukeroff silver medal; Jordan Singer bronze medal

STAR 5 – Megan Cousins silver medal; Sarah Cousins 4th place; Candice Soukeroff 6th place; Zoey Crockart 6th place

Competitive Dance: Zoey Crockart 6th place

Congratulations to all the STARSkaters and thanks to the coaches.

VANCOUVER ISLAND REGION News

DUNCAN SKATING CLUB

www.duncanskatingclub.com/



Our Canskaters and Program Assistants at the recent Halloween Skate.



Skaters from the Interclub Competition

Duncan Skating Club is off to another busy season. Our numbers are very good with almost 180 skaters. We had skaters compete at the Vancouver Island Interclub at Fuller Lake in November. The end of October was our Halloween Skate. Highlight for our skaters was the seminar in October with Bruno Delmaestro. The middle of February will be the Vancouver Island Region Championships. Our coaches for this season are, Lorraine Francisty, Marcie Walker, and Cleve Shillingford.

Results are:

- Star 1 Group 2- Lyla deLeuw - Bronze
- Star 2 Group 1 - Austyn Woodward - Bronze, Raleigh Rodney - Merit
- Star 2 Group 2 - Chelsea Hickey - Bronze, Kaydence Winter - Bronze, Kori Kaelble - Bronze
- Star 2 Group 3 - Kori Kaelble - Bronze, Kennedy Wipplinger - Bronze, Peyton Wipplinger - Bronze
- Star 2 Group 4 - Anika Olson - Bronze
- Star 2 Boys - Aidan Wetzel-Eden - Bronze
- Star 5 Girls 13 & Over - DelRae Olson - 5th, Ryleigh MacDonald - 6th, Peyton Kong - 7th, Rylee Smith - 8th
- Star 8 Women - Cecilia Faustino - 5th
- Gold Women - Kaine Hayashi - 1st
- Showcase 1 - Brooke Wipplinger - Bronze
- Bronze Interpretive - Sophia Hodgins - 2nd
- Silver Interpretive - Hayley Dragicevich - 2nd

FULLER LAKE SKATING CLUB

www.fullerlakeskatingclub.org/



Fuller Lake Skating Club –Star and Competitive Skaters

Fuller Lake Skating Club is off to a great start. The club recently hosted the Vancouver Island Interclub Competition, which was a huge success.

Star 1 Girls – Mica Torres-Hernandez Gold, Shaylah Ward – Gold, Daphne Anderson – Silver, Alexandra Fernau-Silver, Olivia Stuart-Silver, Jasmine Taylor-Bronze, Daisy Troise-Bronze, Hannah Wilson-Bronze

Star 2 Girls – Julia Hussey-Silver, Isabel Anderson-Silver

Star 3 Girls – Emily Alyward-Bronze

Star 4 Girls U10- Brooklyn Puska-4th

Star 4 Girls U13-Sophie Dawe-6th, Lucy Street-7th

Star 5 Girls 13 and over – Aaliyah Ward-3rd

Star 6 Girls- Caiden Varasteh – 15th

Star 10 Girls – Amber Ree-6th

Juvenile Women –Jazmin Wheeler-9th

Creative Improv Lucy Street -1st, Sophie Dawe-2nd

Gold Interpretive –Paris Hanke -2nd



Skaters recently performed at Butchart Gardens December 4th

SAANICH FIGURE SKATING CLUB OF VICTORIA



saanichskatingclub.com/

The club had a very successful Halloween skate in October. All of the members and their family members had lots of fun and everyone got to showcase their costumes.

Our recent test days saw many of the members passing their tests. Two girls received their gold feet. Cypress LeBlanc passed her gold skills and Olivia Williams passed her last gold dance. We look forward to another test day on December 15th.

We are also very excited about our Christmas Skate on December 17th. We are having a special guest, Santa Clause coming to visit our club that day.



Gold Feet

Cypress LeBlanc

My name is Cypress LeBlanc and I'm 12 years old. I stepped on my first rink when I was 2 and I have been skating with Saanich Skating Club of Victoria for over 7 years. It has been really fun so far and it feels great to have accomplished my Gold Skills. I want to thank all of my coaches, Brenda, Barb, and Murray for helping me get to the skating level that I am at today. I also appreciate my friends and family who have encouraged and supported me in achieving this goal.



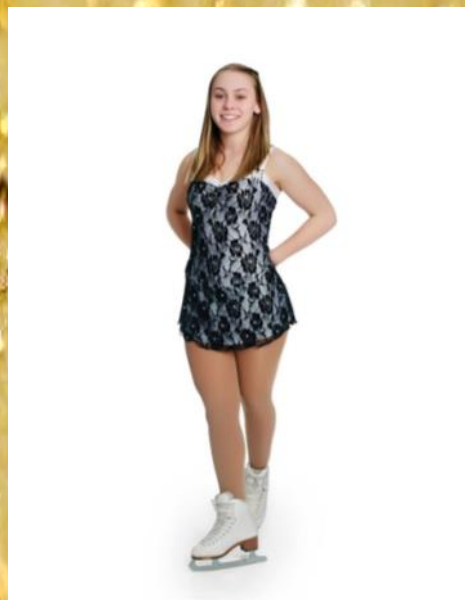
Fynley Kuijt



I have skated with the Fernie Skating Club since I was nine years old. My Gold Skills is my first gold test, though I'm working on my Gold Dances and Interpretive for the end of the year, before I graduate. I started skating because I thought figure skaters were the most amazing people ever. My best friend is one, so I may have been a bit biased, but I'm glad because it got me started. It's really great to have something to focus on besides school and I really enjoy skating. I'm so excited to have passed my first gold, it was the best feeling ever!

Emma King

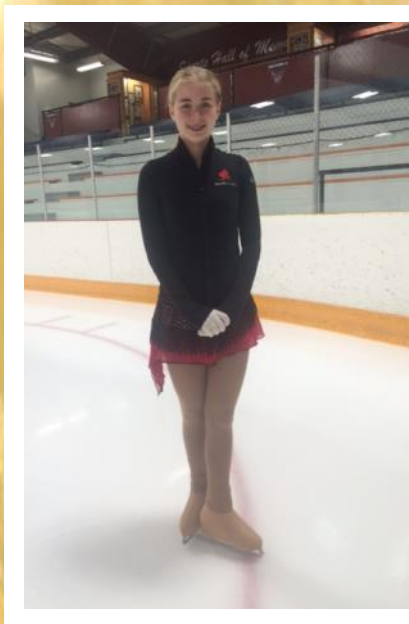
Congratulations to Emma King who passed her Gold Interpretive at the end of November



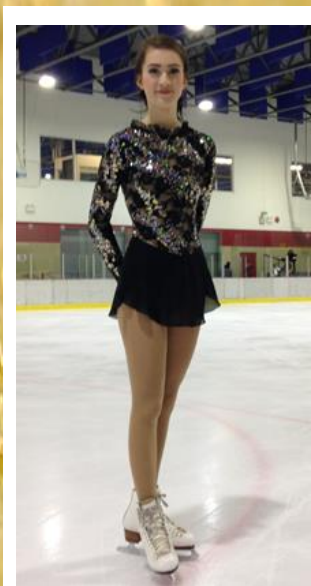
Gold Feet

Claire Sibbald

Congratulations to Claire Sibbald of the Beaver Valley Skating Club for achieving her gold feet in dance this December. Claire is a grade 9 honours student at JL Crowe Secondary School. She is a program assistant with the club's canskate program, enjoys reading, is a huge Harry Potter fan and plays the baritone saxophone with the JL Crowe school band. Well done Claire!!



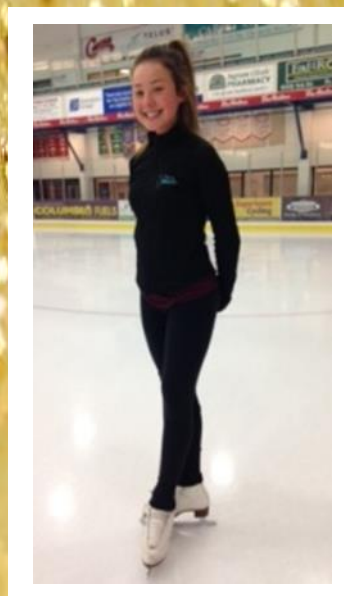
Caitlin Luckhurst



Duncan Skating Club would like to Congratulate Caitlin Luckhurst for passing her Gold Interpretive this past season.

Baylee Hopwo

Duncan Skating Club would like to congratulate Baylee Hopwo for passing her Gold Interpretive this past season. This is Baylee's second Gold Test.



Gold Feet

Jane Schaffhauser

Congratulations to Jane Schaffhauser of the Comox Valley Skating Club on completing both her Gold Skills and Gold Freeskate. Jane is also a talented skier. One of Jane's favourite hobbies is product sampling for online companies. Jane will be graduating in June 2017, and is planning to study at UVIC as they have their own rink and skating club. Besides working part time to help pay for skating, Jane has a rather unique sideline as a magician's assistant, yes; she is the girl in the box with all the swords sticking through it. Her passion is skating and believes that rather than doing something just because you are good at it, you should find something that you have a passion for and be the best you can at it.



Emma Cullen

Comox Valley Skating Club congratulates Emma Cullen for completing her Gold Skills in May. When not skating, Emma played in school band for several years and now enjoys running. After finishing her final Juvenile U14 event with a bronze medal, Emma spent the summer training in Alberta with Scott Davis and his coaching team. Emma has moved to the STAR ten category, and has had a great start to the competition season winning a silver medal at the Vancouver Island Interclub Competition.

EVENTS

2016/2017 Season

Calendar

West Kootenay Invitational

January 13-15, 2017
Nelson, BC

National Skating Championships

January 13-22, 2017
Ottawa, ON

CNCR Regionals

January 20-22, 2017
Williams Lake, BC

Mountain Regional Synchro Championships

January 27-29, 2017
Burnaby, BC

Vancouver Island Regionals

February 3-5, 2017
Nanaimo, BC

BC Coast Regional Championships

February 3-5, 2017
North Delta, BC

Kootenay Regional Championships

February 10-12, 2017
Kamloops, BC

West Coast Challenge

February 11, 2017
Delta, BC

Totem Interclub

February 17-19, 2017
Mile Zero, BC

Okanagan Regionals

February 17-19, 2017
Penticton, BC

Featured event



Super Series STARSkate Final

March 3-5, 2017
Kelowna, BC

STARSkate Final

March 3-5, 2017
Kelowna, BC

NCCP Primary STARSkate Course

March 10-12, 2017
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NCCP CanSkate Course

March 19-21, 2016
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About Us...

We are the 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/YTK Section has approximately 19,000 skaters, 115 clubs, 430 coaches and 229 officials which we serve.



Mission Statement

The BC/YK Section of Skate Canada is dedicated to the principals of enabling every person in British Columbia and Yukon to participate in skating throughout their lifetime for Fun, Fitness and/or Achievement. The BC/YK Section is also dedicated to those athletes in pursuit of excellence. We provide programs and opportunities that develop high performance skills for skating and life.

Value Statement

The BC/YK Section of Skate Canada is a volunteer organization run by the guidelines of a successful business. The volunteers determine the direction and the professional staff navigate the course. We will provide value for each membership dollar by providing guidance and service to all members. We ensure there are programs for those who want to skate for fun and those who skate for achievement.

Vision Statement

The BC/YK Section of Skate Canada envisions providing safe, effective and fun skating programs for every person in British Columbia and Yukon who has the desire to glide on ice. It is our vision to provide programs that will bring joy to those who simply want to skate in circles and pride to those who want to circle the world while representing our section and country.

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