

British Columbia/Yukon Section Town Hall



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Questions

- **Questions:**
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All questions will be answered at the end of the presentation.

Competition Calendar Changes

National calendar changes include:

Junior and Senior Challenge (S/P/ID)	- End of November
Junior and Senior Nationals (S/P/ID/SYS)	- Mid January
Pre-Novice and Novice Challenge (S/P/ID)	- End of January
Canada Cup (Novice Nationals) (S/P/ID/SYS)	- End of February

(S = Singles, P = Pairs, ID = Ice Dance, SYS = Synchronized Skating)

What is Changing in BC/YT and Why

Categories

- Changes are coming to the Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile Singles categories to align with development objectives.
- Introduction of a Performance Series to provide skaters more opportunities to compete in Artistic and Showcase.
- Introduction of Synchronized Skating events at the regional competitions.

Competition Calendar

- Competition dates are changing to align with Skate Canada's new Long Term Development Model (LTD).
- Event offerings are changing to address capacity issues at the Section and Regional levels.
- A new virtual event will provide another opportunity for skaters to participate in a Section competition.

Category Changes

Effective April 1, 2023, Pre-Juvenile singles categories will no longer be offered.

Rationale: The program requirements for Pre-Juvenile and Juvenile are essentially the same. What is important at this level is that we keep skaters of similar ages competing together.

We will have three age categories for **Juvenile Singles**:

- **U14**
- **U12**
- **U10**

All categories of Juvenile Singles will be offered at the BC/YT Sectional Championships.

A New Performance Series

The Performance Series will include the categories of **Artistic** and **Showcase**.

Rationale: Introduction of a Performance Series to provide skaters more opportunities to compete in Artistic and Showcase.

Standings in each level will be calculated based on a skater's top two scores from the following events:

- **A Winter Regional Competition** (ie January or February)
 - **Final Season Event** (formerly StarSkate Final)
 - **April Virtual Event** (all video submission)

Standings will be posted on the section website.

STAR Synchro

STAR 3 Synchro (Elements) and STAR 4 Synchro will now be offered at all Regional Competitions and the April Virtual Event.

Teams entering any regional competition will have their entry fee waived this season!

Synchronized skating is:

- ☒ FUN
- ☒ Team based
- ☒ More affordable

Skate Canada's new LTD has video examples.

BC/YT Competition Calendar Changes

Competition	Status	Rationale/Changes
Vancouver Island Super Series	Cancelled	April is a period of rest for S/P/D/SYS
April Virtual Event – Performance Series Finale	New (early April)	Video submissions only Categories included: Artistic Showcase Adult STAR 3 and STAR 4 Synchro A video event is a cost effective way to increase accessibility

BC/YT Competition Calendar

Competition	Status	Rationale/Changes
Victoria Day Competition	Cancelled	This event is at capacity and difficult to staff. Event will be split into two events.
May Spring Competition	New (early to mid May) BC Coast location.	Categories included: STAR 2 – Gold Juvenile to Senior Elements Juvenile to Novice Pairs and Dance
June Competition/ High Performance Camp	New (last weekend in June) Location TBD.	Categories included: Juvenile to Senior S/P/ID Event followed by High Performance Camp for qualifying skaters at the Pre-Novice to Senior levels.

BC/YT Competition Calendar

Competition	Status	Rationale/Changes
BC/YT Summer Skate	As scheduled (third weekend in August) Scotia Barn, Burnaby.	STAR 1 to 4 will <u>not</u> be offered. This is a rest/training period for these skaters. Categories included: STAR 5- Gold Singles Juvenile to Senior S/P/ID
September Competition	New (late September) Location TBD.	Categories Included: STAR 2 to Gold Singles Juvenile to Senior S/P/ID Having an additional competition at this time helps Podium Pathway skaters prepare for Sections.
Autumn Leaves	Mid October (one week later than current date) Chilliwack.	Categories Included: STAR 2 to Gold Singles Juvenile to Senior S/P/ID

BC/YT Competition Calendar

Competition	Status	Rationale/Changes
BC/ YT Section Championships	As scheduled (2 nd weekend in November)	Categories included: Juvenile to Senior S/P/ID
BC/YT Synchro and Adult Skating Competition	As scheduled (early December)	Categories included: STAR and Podium Pathway Synchro Adult
West Coast Challenge	As scheduled (mid February)	Categories included: STAR and Podium Pathway Synchro Adult

BC/YT Competition Calendar

Competition	Status	Rationale/Changes
Star Skate Final and Adult	Cancelled	Event is expanded
BC/YT Season End Competition	Second weekend in March Kelowna	Categories included: STAR 2- Gold Singles Juvenile to Senior Singles Artistic Showcase Solo Dance Juvenile to Senior Elements

BC/YT Competition Calendar

Regional competitions will remain as scheduled. The following categories will be offered:

Competition	Status	Rationale/Changes
Regional Competitions	As scheduled	<p>Categories included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">STAR 1 - Gold SinglesJuvenile & Pre-Novice Singles (outside of the BC Coast Region only)ArtisticShowcaseAdultSTAR 3 and STAR 4 Synchro <p>Optional Events:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Solo & STAR DanceSTAR ElementsCreative Improv

Calendar Changes – STAR 1

STAR 1 is returning to its roots to be an introductory, local event.

- **STAR 1 will only be offered at regional competitions.**
- STAR 1 may be offered by clubs for their own members. The BC/YT Section will develop a guide to assist clubs on hosting their own STAR 1 event.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
STAR 1					Region Comp			Region Comp				

Some regions also have events in December and January.

Calendar Changes – STAR 2-4

STAR 2-4 Skaters will have a competition season from late September to mid May.

- **STAR 2-4 will not be included in the BC/YT SummerSkate competition**

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
STAR 2-4			Sept Comp	Autumn Leaves	Region Comp			Region Comp	Season Final		May Comp	

**Some regions also have events in December and January.*

Calendar Changes – STAR 5-Gold

STAR 5-Gold Skaters will have a competition season from mid August to mid May.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
STAR 5 - Gold		BC Summer Skate	Sept Comp	Autumn Leaves	Region Comp			Region Comp	Season Final		May Comp	

**Some regions also have events in December and January.*

Calendar Changes – Juvenile

Juvenile Singles events will continued to be offered at Regional Competitions outside of the BC Coast Region. As BC Coast Region skaters have access to other events (Autumn Leaves, BC/YT SummerSkate etc.) they will **not** be included at Jingle Blades or Winter Skate so that other categories may be offered.

The Juvenile competition season will run from the end of June to mid March.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Juvenile		BC Summer Skate	Sept Comp	Autumn Leaves	Region Comp*			Region Comp*	Season Final		May Comp **	June Comp
					Sections							

* For Regions outside of the BC Coast. Some regions also have events in December and January.

** Singles Elements events. Will include Pairs and Dance.

Calendar Changes – Pre-Novice

Pre-Novice Singles events will continued to be offered at Regional Competitions outside of the BC Coast Region. As BC Coast Region skaters have access to other events (Autumn Leaves, BC/YT SummerSkate etc.) they will **not** be included at Jingle Blades or Winter Skate so that other categories may be offered.

The Pre-Novice competition season will run from the end of June to mid March.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Pre-Novice		BC Summer Skate	Sept Comp	Autumn Leaves	Region Comp*			Region Comp*	Season Final		May Comp **	June Comp
					Sections		Challenge					

* For Regions outside of the BC Coast. Some regions also have events in December and January.

** Singles Elements events. Will include regular competition opportunities for Pairs and Dance.

For skaters qualifying from the BC/YT Sectional Championships.



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Calendar Changes – Novice

Novice events will **not** be included at Regional Competitions as of April 2023. The Novice competition season will run from the end of June to mid March.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Novice		BC Summer Skate	Sept Comp	Autumn Leaves	Sections		Challenge	★ Nationals	Season Final		May Comp **	June Comp

For skaters qualifying from the BC/YT Sectional Championships.

★ *For skaters qualifying from Challenge.*

** *Singles Elements events. Will include regular competition opportunities for Pairs and Dance.*

Calendar Changes – Junior & Senior

Junior and Senior events will **not** be included at Regional Competitions as of April 2023.
The Junior and Senior competition season will run from the end of June to mid March.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Junior & Senior		BC Summer Skate	Sept Comp	Autumn Leaves	Sections				Season Final		May Comp **	June Comp
					Challenge		★ Nationals					

For skaters qualifying from the BC/YT Sectional Championships.

★ For skaters qualifying from Challenge.

*** Singles Elements only.*

Calendar Changes – Synchronized Skating

The Synchronized skating calendar remains the same with the addition of STAR 3 and STAR 4 in the region competitions.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
STAR 3 & 4					Region Comp			Region Comp		April Virtual Event		
Junior & Senior						Qualifying	★ Nationals	West Coast Challenge				
All other categories						BC/YT Open		West Coast Challenge				
							Mountains	★ Nationals				

★ *For skaters qualifying from Mountain Regionals.*

Calendar Changes – Performance and Supplementary Events

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Artistic					Region Comp			Region Comp	Final Season Event	April Virtual Event		
Showcase					Region Comp			Region Comp	Final Season Event	April Virtual Event		
STAR & Solo Dance					Region Comp			Region Comp	Final Season Event			
STAR Elements					Region Comp			Region Comp				
Creative Improv					Region Comp			Region Comp				

Some regions also have events in December and January.

Calendar Changes – Adults

Adult events will now be held at all regional competitions and the new April Virtual Event. They will remain at the BC/YT Open and West Coast Challenge competitions.

	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN
Adult					Region Comp	BC/YT Open		Region Comp		April Virtual Event		
								West Coast Challenge				

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