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# Thin Ice

## **SKATE CANADA RECOGNIZES OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS IN OTTAWA**

Skate Canada announced a number of award winners over the weekend at its Annual Convention and General Meeting (ACGM) and National Coaches' Conference (NCC) in Ottawa, Ontario. This year's event marked the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Skate Canada ACGM, reflecting on a century of memories highlighted by many unforgettable moments.

The recipients were presented with their awards on Friday night at the annual awards gala. The winners received their awards from various presenters Canadian silver medalists Kirsten Moore-Towers and Dylan Moscovitch,

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## MESSAGE FROM THE CHARMAN

I would like to thank all of the Club Board of Directors who have worked so very hard this past year. All Clubs should have had their Annual General Meetings by now, and have elected their Boards for the coming season. Congratulations to all you and thank you for taking on the task of making sure that your Club is able to offer programs to skaters in your Community. You will receive notice soon that the Form 100 will be available to submit online to the Section office – this is currently a work in progress – but it should be up and running soon. It is very important that the Section office has the current list of Executive and Board members for your Club so that we can contact the appropriate person when the need arises. Thank you for making sure that this is done!

Congratulations to all of the award winners that were announced at our Section Banquet and Awards Ceremony in Burnaby. You were all very worthy recipients of the many awards. Special thanks to Ted Barton and Tracey Wilson for making the evening so very special.

We are off to the National Annual Conference and General Meeting of Skate Canada in Ottawa this coming week. This will be a busy time of workshops and meetings and of course banquets and honouring of National Award Winners! Congratulations to Danalee Harrison, Syd Hughes and Sally Rehorick who will all be honored there!!

Enjoy your summer break – even though I'm sure that a lot of you will be busy with Summer Schools etc. Hopefully we'll have some nice warm weather outside of the arena that we can enjoy!!

Take Care,

Lorraine Mapoles  
Chairman BC/YK Section Skate Canada



## CLUB NEWS

### CONNAUGHT SC

With Spring came Connaught's annual relocation from Minoru Arenas to Richmond Ice Centre, where we're busy with an off season of intense training, new programs, and acquisition of new skills.

In February, Mitchell Gordon became the first Connaught Skating Club athlete to represent Canada at an ISU Junior World Championships, in Milan, Italy. Accompanied by Eileen and Keegan, Mitchell had a fantastic week of skating and ranked 16<sup>th</sup> in this world event.

In March, Connaught sent 8 skaters to the Super Series Final competition in Kelowna, B.C. Martin Yushko won a silver medal in the Pre-Juvenile Men's event.

In April, Larkyn Austman, Mitchell Gordon & Keegan Murphy participated in a Skate Canada National Development Camp in Toronto, Ontario. This is an elite seminar with the country's top coaches, and only 30 athletes from across Canada are selected to attend. Our contingent came back full of inspiration & new ideas.

Connaught hosted 2 seminars focusing on movement on the ice- the first was for young Connaught, Coquitlam & Vancouver Skating Club members, led by Mark Pillay. We invited the 1988 Bronze Medalist in Ice Dance, Tracy Wilson, to teach our premier seminar, along with international choreographer, Mark Pillay, and US National Men's Medalist, Richard Dornbush. Tracy, Mark and Richard delivered an exciting two days of skating exercises and inspiration for over 50 athletes and coaches.

Connaught had 63 skaters compete in the Victoria Day Competition in Surrey, B.C. We are proud of all our competitors and an amazing number of volunteers who helped make this competition a success. We captured a total of 15 medals.



*Connaught 's BC Team Members with coaches at the BC/YK Section Awards Banquet.*



*Connaught Coaches with Mark Pillay and Tracy Wilson at the club's Spring Seminar*

## CLUB NEWS



Is pleased to announce the following Teams for  
the upcoming season:

*Beginner: Ice X-tremely Cute*

*Juvenile: Ice X-pectation*

*Pre-Novice: Ice X-cel*

*Intermediate: Name TBA*

*Adult 1: Ice X-odus*

*Adult 2: Ice X-quisite*

*Coached by Leslie Rupp & Danalee Harrison*

For more information please visit our website: [www.lmssc.org](http://www.lmssc.org)

"We acknowledge the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia"

## CLUB NEWS

### MT. ARROWSMITH

Mt. Arrowsmith Skating Club is nestled in the Alberni Valley on Vancouver Island. Our season ended on a high note with the success of our winter Ice Show "Under the Big Top". The show was sold out and to date it was the most successful show put on by our club. A big thank you goes out to Jean Leshures our Director of Skating. From the costumes to the choreography, props, skaters, coaches and volunteers who all put in countless hours; A big thank you for helping make our show a spectacular success..

This season we had the largest Canskate Group in the history of the club. Our Canskate Program can not achieve the success it does without the help of our trained Program Assistants. Kelly White and Frances Wilson were named Program Assistants of the year. Congratulations on a job well done.

For the first time in the history of our club we awarded a Lifetime Membership Award. Karen Mallon has been involved with Figure Skating on Vancouver Island for over 20 years. She is on stranger to Skate Canada BC/YT as she has worn many hats over the years. Mt Arrowsmith Skating Club is thrilled that she accepted the award and welcome her back to our club. She was a member of our club until 1993 when she moved on to volunteer for Vancouver Island Regional.

Our skaters continue to skate in May and June in Parksville as our ice is taken out in April.

We are excited for the 2013 – 2014 season to begin. We welcome back Coach Daylin Turgeon who is returning after being at University in Ontario. We are please to say that Jean Leshures will once again be our Director of Skating. We would also like to welcome Michelle Shiner as a new coach with our club.

We are proud of all our skaters and will forward to another success year.

Happy Skating

Mt. Arrowsmith Skating Club



*Kelly White and Frances Wilson*



*Karen Mallon*

## CLUB NEWS

### NAKUSP SC

The Nakusp Figure Skating Club had a successful season of skating which included the New CanSkate Program, which was enjoyed by all participants.

Skaters in the StarSkate Program participated in the West Kootenay Open and Kootenay Regional Competitions, and many skaters experienced their first competition this season.

Numerous successful tests were passed at Test Days in Beaver Valley, Castlegar and Revelstoke.

The last skating day of the season, included an 80's Themed Dress Up Day held in conjunction with the clubs Skate A Thon. A great time was held by all, and the 80's themed costumes were amazing!

The Year End Club Awards and Dessert Banquet was held on April 8, 2013, and participation awards were given to all skaters for their successful season.

Major Award Winners were as follows:

CanSkate Champion Awards – Ruby Zoll and Devon Wright

CanSkater of the Year – Hayleigh Jansen

StarSkate Award Winners:

High Point – Kiley Waterfield

Citizenship – Bridget Gustafson

Sportsmanship – Chiara Minchin

Most Improved – Melissa Hascarl

Janice Buerge Memorial Award – Kiley Waterfield

All Around Skater – Maya Watson



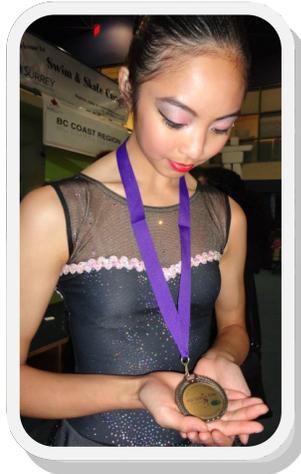
## CLUB NEWS

### NEWTON SC

The Newton SC had a very successful weekend at the Victoria Day Competition. Results are as follows:

- Jacqueline Lam, star 2-silver standing and
- Evelyne Lam, star 1- silver standing
- Sarah Sutanto – Gold in Star 4 13& 0
- Sarah Sutanto – Gold in Bronze Interpretive
- Alexis Urry – Silver in Star 2 Ladies

Muriel Dixon represented Newton FSC at Adult Nationals in Kamloops bringing home a Bronze Medal.



*Sarah Sutanto*



*Sara Sutanto- Bronze Interpretive*



*Alexis Urry*



*Muriel Dixon*

## PRINCE GEORGE FSC

### LOCAL FIGURE SKATERS LEARNING SOME NEW MOVES (VIDEO)

Posted by Tony Chahal on June 3, 2023 in Featured News, Sports, Top Stories

A few local figure skaters took to the gym this weekend to learn from one of the best in the country. A former "So You Think You Can Dance Canada" contestant on hand was here to teach some new moves.



The CKPG-TV News team produced an astonishing [News Coverage](#) on the Youth DanceSport Latin classes and Youth DanceSport Special classes designed for Figure Skaters and dance students. These classes were a crucial part of the [Prince George Ballroom / DanceSport Workshop](#) held at the John McInnis Centre in Prince George on Friday May 31<sup>st</sup> through Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

As important as Ballet, [Ballet-Jazz](#) and [Martha Graham technique](#) were for my competitive skating development, I also discovered (when my Ice Dance Partner & myself took Ballroom classes in Toronto) that [DanceSport Latin](#) dancing offers an important extra dimension in body movement / expression to the core dance disciplines I was trained in. It was from watching [Yuliya Zavadska](#) & [Sharon Levit](#) as they were training for their DanceSport competitions that helped me learn the proper technique in Latin dancing and expression. I was also very impressed with Yuliya's teaching / coaching of her competitive dancers as they trained for their competitions. Yuliya, herself, has also expanded her dance training beyond DanceSport as can be seen in her performances in [So You Think You Can Dance Canada \(season 4\)](#) where, for example, she integrates Jazz moves into her routine "[You Give Me Fever](#)". There isn't time to teach this basic technique during the skating lessons; it's best done in off-ice classes. When the skater has been trained in Latin Dancing fundamentals then we can focus on the adaptation of that technique during on-ice lesson time. It's been my ambition to give the skaters of this generation the same opportunity that I have received; having the local skaters exposed to Latin Dancing and expression under Yuliya's instruction in this Workshop has accomplished that.

The Workshop also included classes for Adults and, as the organizer / administrator for this event; it was extremely rewarding to see how appreciative they were in having the opportunity to receive Yuliya's instructions. Maizie Bernard (dance teacher at the Prince George SS) invited Yuliya as a guest teacher for her dance classes at the school. It was rewarding to see the joy on the children's faces as they, within one hour, learned the basic Cha-Cha steps.

Thanks to the CKPG-TV News Team; Ron Polillio ("[The River](#)"); Reg Feyer ([CFIS 93.1 FM](#)); Betsy Trumpener & Adrian Mrdeza (CBC-[Daybreak North](#)) for their support, as well as, [Tourism PG](#) (also see for further information on this event). Special thanks to Steve Burke (Director of the [Prince George FSC](#)) for his help on registration / administration and Janice Akerley (president of the Prince George FSC) for configuring the Online Registration System. - Raymond Naismith (Coach PG FSC)

## CLUB NEWS

### ROSSLAND SC

The Rossland Figure Skating Club had a successful season for all skaters in the CanSkate, Rising Stars and StarSkate Programs. The skaters in the CanSkate program enjoyed the New CanSkate Program this season, in addition to special Theme Days – Halloween Party, Family Christmas Skate, Birthday Party Day, Pyjama Day, Valentine’s Party and Beach Party Day.

The Skaters in the Rising Stars and StarSkate Program had great success at the West Kootenay Open Competition, East Kootenay Open Competition, Kootenay Regionals, and the Super Series Final Competitions, and skaters competed in StarSkate Freeskate Events, Competitive Freeskate Events, Elements Events, Solo Dance Events and Interpretive Events.

Skaters had great success at High and Low Test Days this season, attending test days in Beaver Valley, Fernie, Castlegar, Nelson, and Revelstoke.

The Club’s Year End Awards and Dessert Party was held on May 10, 2013, and all skaters in all programs were congratulated on their accomplishments this season, and received participation medals and certificates.

### **Major Award Winners are as follows:**

CanSkate Champion Medal Winners – Yazmin Evans and Adam Heale

CanSkater of the Year – Charlotte Munn

Rising Stars – Most Improved Skater Award – Morgan Corkill

### **StarSkate Awards:**

High Point Award – Sianna Tomich

Sportsmanship Award – Ella Knight

Program Assistant Award – Payton Reed

Citizenship Award – Alex Stephens

Most Improved – Desiree Cassidy

All Around Skater Award – Sianna Tomich



*Rossland StarSkate Award Winners at the Year End Awards Banquet with Coach Sabrina Hinson*

The Rossland Figure Skating Club is looking forward to the 2013\2014 skating season which will include hosting the West Kootenay Open Competition.

## CLUB NEWS

### SAANICH SC

After amalgamating with the Victoria Figure Skating Club last year, The Saanich Skating Club has now officially changed its name to The Saanich Skating Club of Victoria. Back in April, after wrapping up the 2012/13 winter skating season, our club held our AGM and awards recognition ceremony. Although all of our skaters had a wonderful year full of personal bests and great achievements, some of our skaters were awarded to recognize their extraordinary efforts and accomplishments. This year 3 of our senior skaters will be graduating high school and taking some time off from skating. Madeline Stefani has been accepted to the GAP program and will be working at Pymble Ladies College in Australia. Geralyn Nonesa will be continuing on with secondary education, and Katarina Bush will be heading to Uvic to complete an engineering degree. We wish these skaters the best of luck in their future endeavors and they will be sadly missed. With spring soon turning to summer, our dance couple Ravie Cunningham and Cedar Bridgewood will be heading to Vancouver's Burnaby 8 Rinks to the Spring Training Camp offered to members of the Provincial Team. Good luck you two! Our Summer Skate Program is scheduled to start at the beginning of July. Canskate to Senior level, this intensive 5 week program is a great way for our skaters to keep active in the summer and prepare for the upcoming competition season.



Madeline and Geralyn



Saanich Team Day Photo

## CLUB NEWS

### SANDY SHORES SC

Sandy Shores Skating Club is excited to introduce our “NEW” coaching team – Mr. Richard O’Neill and Miss Shannon Light! When our coaches of 27+ years informed us that they were leaving at the end of their Spring contract we were concerned that we may not be able to find suitable coaches in such a short amount of time but we were very fortunate to have the knowledge, guidance and expertise of VI Region and BC Section office to answer our many questions during the hiring process and for that the Club Executive is very grateful!

Our Director of Skating – Mr. Richard O’Neill decided to retire from amateur skating after five Canadian National Championships and professional skating performances to pursue a career in coaching. Over the last 25 years Mr. O’Neill has coached and or choreographed various professional and many amateur skaters from beginners to Senior National Level. His work includes Chris Wirtz, Tracy Wainman, Toller Cranston and Bryce Davidson. He has coached Junior and Senior National Team members for World Championships, Jr and Sr Grand Prix Events and International Competitions.

Our Club Coach – Miss Shannon Light has been a member of Sandy Shores SC for the past 22 years. She was a National competitor, Western Challenge Champion, and 8<sup>th</sup> at North American Challenge. After 5 years professional skating experience Shannon has decided to come home and coach at our Club where her skating career began. Shannon has almost completed her personal training certification and has begun working with our skaters off the ice as well as on ice.

The Club began working with Mount Arrowsmith SC and Comox Valley SC to have our skaters training together in one facility for the month of June and our sessions were full! It was great to have the Clubs working together and all the skaters training in one facility.

We are looking forward to our Summer School that the Club will be running from July 2<sup>nd</sup> to August 17, 2013. We have skaters coming from northern BC, Alberta and Vancouver Island.

Starting in September our club will be offering ice six days per week – Monday to Saturday. Our ice has been increased 3 hours and 45 minutes per week over last season. On Friday and Saturday we are offering a package that includes: off ice, on ice sessions, conditioning, workshops, simulations and more. We are also making changes to the length of our season. We will be running a longer winter and spring school – Winter Season will run September to the end of March and Spring School will run from the beginning of April to mid-June. The Club will be operating year round with only 2 weeks off in June, 2 weeks off in August, and 2 weeks off in December.

For Sandy Shores SC this is our season of big changes and we are very enthusiastic about the direction that our coaches and Club are going in! Stop by say hello and see what we are up to at Oceanside Place Arena!

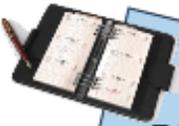
# REGION NEWS



From your



**PROMOTIONS!!!**  
**Congratulations to:**  
New Primary Judges: Slobhan Phillips, Leanne Howard, and Kayla Chong, & Saffina Jlnah  
  
Gold Skills and Gold FreeskatE Evaluator:  
Kortney Story



**BC Coast Region Date:**  
Please mark your calendar for **September 21**, the BC Coast Region General Meeting & Know Your Sport WorkShop  
Watch your email for more information & registration information



The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Know Your Sport Trade Show is coming up...if you are interested in having a booth to display & sell your wares, business exposure, or just to get to know the BCCR people better, please contact:  
**jm.bccr@telus.net**

If YOU HAVE ANY Club INFORMATION, QUESTIONS, OR PHOTOS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH THE BC COAST REGION PLEASE CONTACT US THROUGH THE WEBSITE:  
[www.skatebccoast.com](http://www.skatebccoast.com)



## REGION NEWS

Congratulations!



BC Coast Region  
Award Winners at  
the 2013 BCCR

AGM:

**Denise Mullen Dalmer**

*(Volunteer of The Year)*

**Hanna Haraga**

*(PA of The Year)*

**Danielle DeVacario**

*(StarSkate Athlete of The  
Year)*

**James Lo &**

**Julia Jarmen**

*(Scott Roberts Memorial  
Trophy)*

**Alexa Christianson**

*(CanSkater of The Year)*



## REGION NEWS



### BC Coast Region Has Amazing Showing at the BC/YK Section Awards Banquet



#### The BCCR 2012-2013 BC/YT Section Award Recipients:



- **Skate Canada Club and Recreation Coach Award of Excellence**  
Norma Grant, Sungod Skating Club, BC Coast Region
- **Skate Canada Competitive Coach Award of Excellence**  
Megan Wing & Aaron Lowe, BC Centre of Excellence, BC Coast Region
- **Skate Canada Officials Award of Excellence**  
Beth Crane, BC Centre of Excellence, BC Coast Region
- **Skate Canada Section Officials Award**  
Vanessa Hunter, BC Centre of Excellence, BC Coast Region
- **Elizabeth Swan Memorial Award**  
Syd Hughes, WRSSSC, BC Coast Region
- **CanSkater of the Year Award**  
Alexa Christianson, Sungod Skating Club, BC Coast Region
- **Lifetime Achievement Award**  
Audrey Williams, Hollyburn CC, BC Coast Region
- **Skate Canada Section Volunteer Award**  
Sally Rehorick, BC Centre of Excellence, BC Coast Region
- **Audrey Moore Participation Award**  
Sharon Dahl, Cheam Skating Club, BC Coast Region
- **Skate Canada Competitive Skate Athlete Award**  
Eric Liu, North Shore Winter Club, British Columbia/Yukon Section
- **BC/YK Section Volunteer Award**  
Margaret Warwick, Connaught Skating Club, BC Coast Region
- **Susan Griffith Committee Chairman Award**  
Wendy Martin-Stroyan, Abbotsford Skating Club, BC Coast Region
- **Female Youth Promise Award**  
Rachel Pettitt-Arctic Edge Skating Club, BC Coast Region
- **Male Youth Promise Award**  
Eric Liu, BC Centre of Excellence, BC Coast Region
- **Dance Youth Promise Award**  
Danielle Wu and Spencer Soo, Burnaby Skating Club, BC Coast Region



CONGRATULATIONS

REGION NEWS

BC Coast Region 2013 National Award Winners



Congratulations

to:

Syd Hughes

*(Elizabeth Swan  
Memorial Award)*

Sally Rehorick

*(Skate Canada  
Section Volunteer  
Award)*

Danalee Harrison

*(Club & Recreation  
Coach Award of  
Excellence)*

*Congratulations!*



# AGM FUN



Go Miss BC Coast Region!! Getting ready to sell tickets @ BC/YK AGM



Marg & Kortney @ BCCR AGM



Wendy loves to hand out surprises!



# REGION NEWS



**Pre-Meeting Strategy Session...**



**Lots of friendly faces at our meetings... we encourage all Clubs to come and experience the friendliness of the BC Coast Region!**



**Amie, Hilary, & Kortney enjoying the 2013 BC/YK Section AGM**

***Important Dates to mark off for 2013/2014 in the BC Coast Region:***

- Sept 21:** Know Your Sport Workshops & General Meeting
- General Meetings:** Sept 21, November 26, & February 25
- 2014 AGM:** April 15
- Autumn Leaves:** October 4 – 6
- Jingle Blades:** November 22 – 24
- BC/YK Open:** January 4 – 5
- BCCR Regional Championships:** February 7 - 9



## MEMOIRS FROM DISNEY ON ICE



Leanne Butler

Last year a long time dream of mine came true, when I received a contract to skate with Disney On Ice. I would like to give a little insight into what I have been doing for the past Ten Months. I was hired on to a brand new Disney On Ice show called Rockin' Ever After!

We had a Busy five week rehearsal process in Lakeland Florida. During rehearsals we learnt and practiced all the show numbers, had costume fittings, and became friends with the Forty other cast members.

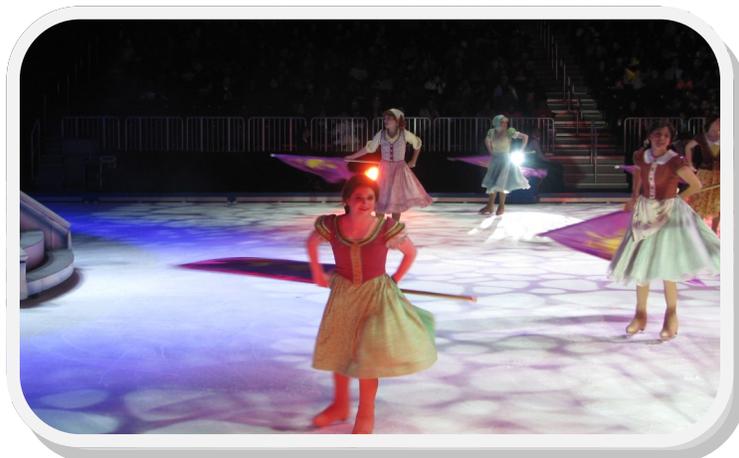
Once Rehearsals were completed it was time to start off the East Coast tour. The tour went to thirty five different cities including New York, Dallas, Tampa Bay, Chicago, Boston, and three Canadian cities Toronto, Ottawa, and Montreal. In each City we were given some time off and we got to explore and see the city.

Some of my favorite memories include skating in Central Park and along the Rideau Canal, going to A Taylor Swift Concert, being in Time Square when it was announced that Barack Obama was re-elected, and filming various numbers of the show for Disney Channel's 365 segment and Good Morning America. I also enjoyed visiting the aquariums in each city.

Rockin' Ever After tells the story of The Little Mermaid, Tangled, Brave, and Beauty and the Beast. I got to Portray Various Character Roles and skate in the different Ensemble Numbers. In total we performed around three hundred and Fifty shows this tour.

There is never a dull moment when you are on the road and I enjoy traveling around and performing a sport that I love. I would like to thank everyone who have and continue to support me and maybe you will see me next year when Disney On Ice presents Rockin' Ever After comes to the west Coast and my home town Vancouver!

Thanks Leanne Butler!



# Logo Standards and BC/YK Section Legal Name

Dear BC/YK Section Clubs

This is a gentle reminder that all BC/YK Section Clubs should be using the most up to date Skate Canada Logo on all publications and websites. We have noticed several clubs are still using the old logo on websites and registration forms. Please ensure that all old logos are replaced with the new one.

Instructions on how to download the new logos can be found here.

<http://www.skatecanada.ca/tabid/8870/language/en-US/Default.aspx>

Also, please ensure that any reference to BMO or any BMO logos are removed from websites and publications as BMO has not been a Skate Canada sponsor for a couple of years now.

Recently, the BC/Yukon Section legal name has been changed to BC/YK Section. This replaces the old BC/YT Section name. Please ensure that any reference to the Section is done by **Skate Canada BC/YK Section**.

If you have any questions regarding the above please do not hesitate to contact the BC/YK Section office.

## 2013 WORLD TEAM TROPHY

The **2013 ISU World Team Trophy** is an international team figure skating competition in the 2012–2013 season. Participating countries selected two men's single skaters, two ladies' single skaters, one pair and one ice dancing entry to compete in a team format with points based on the skaters' placement.



Six countries qualified for the event: Canada (7824 points), the United States (7156), Japan (6823), Russia (6648), France (4826), and China (4702).

The biggest movement for the Canadian team came from Kevin Reynolds who impressed by jumping from ninth place after the short to finish second in the freeskate giving him a 3rd place finish in the Men's event. "I was very relieved the close out the season with a strong performance," Reynolds said. "I was able to fight back and believe in myself and my training."

Kevin's strong finish earned the Canadian Team 10 points which was a huge contribution to Canada's 2nd place finish in the event. At the conclusion of the Men's event team Leader Patrick Chan remarked "Kevin really made the difference for us and helped us make up ground from day one."

Rank	Medals	Team	Nation	Total team points
1	Gold	Team U.S.A.	United States	57
2	Silver	Team Canada	Canada	51
3	Bronze	Team Japan	Japan	49
4		Team Russia	Russia	39
5		Team China	China	35
6		Team France	France	31

Rank	Name	Nation	Total points <sup>[10]</sup>	SP <sup>[11]</sup>	FS <sup>[12]</sup>	Team points		
1	Daisuke Takahashi	Japan	249.52	2	80.87	1	168.65	12
2	Patrick Chan	Canada	240.21	1	86.67	5	153.54	11
3	Kevin Reynolds	Canada	237.65	9	73.52	2	164.13	10
4	Max Aaron	United States	236.62	6	77.38	3	159.24	9
5	Takahito Mura	Japan	233.68	5	77.65	4	156.03	8
6	Jeremy Abbott	United States	231.84	4	80.24	6	151.60	7
7	Brian Joubert	France	227.95	8	76.55	7	151.40	6
8	Maxim Kovtun	Russia	221.79	7	76.67	8	145.12	5
9	Yan Han	China	207.81	10	64.54	9	143.27	4
10	Wang Yi	China	183.57	11	58.30	10	125.27	3
11	Romain Ponsart	France	165.59	12	57.39	11	108.20	2
WD	Konstantin Menshov	Russia		3	80.60	WD		

## RDT CAMP EVENT WINNERS

### Best Jumper:

- Gr. 1—Reece Johnson
- Gr. 2—Julia Crowther
- Gr. 3—Carson Consigio
- Gr. 4—Natasha Baranyi
- Gr. 5—Aysha Gorman
- Gr. 6—Tao Measures
- Gr. 7—Katie Stewart
- Gr. 8—Gigi Haon
- Gr. 9—Emma Giesler
- Gr. 10—Alissa Lyesina

### Best Spinner:

- Gr. 1—Cypress Leblanc
- Gr. 2—Kate Cameron
- Gr. 3—Mackenzie Nelmes
- Gr. 4—Ryder McLeod
- Gr. 5—Emerson Vanderlinden
- Gr. 6—Cael Elford
- Gr. 7—Kirsty Elford
- Gr. 8—Mya Rose
- Gr. 9—Emma Nieuwesteeg
- Gr. 10—Meiryla Findley

### Best Spiral:

- Gr. 1—Sierra McLeod
- Gr. 2—Vienna Harwood
- Gr. 3—Emmi Gelineau
- Gr. 4—Natasha B
- Gr. 5—Cassandra Labermeyer
- Gr. 6—Julia Jarman
- Gr. 7—Alicia Bonninnen
- Gr. 8—Kennedi Woodcox
- Gr. 9—Serena Woo
- Gr. 10—Justin Hampole

### Best Stroking:

- Gr. 1—Desiree Cassidy
- Gr. 2—Avery Gallagher
- Gr. 3—Brooklyn Cowen
- Gr. 4—Taryn Verhelst
- Gr. 5—Julianne Delaurier
- Gr. 6—Caribe Neiman
- Gr. 7—Holly Nuefeld
- Gr. 8—Kiyah Shahab
- Gr. 9—Emma Nieuwesteeg
- Gr. 10—Brian Le

## 2013 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT TEAM CAMP

The 2013 RDT Camp was held March 29-31st, 2013 in Kelowna BC. There were 210 skaters in attendance from all of the 5 regions in BC. The Camp included RDT and Prospect Team Skaters. The theme was Pajama Day. At the banquet the costumes were amazing. Prizes were given out for “Best Costumes”. These get better and better each year and ALL of the skaters were in costume.

The coaches for the seminar were Jason and Karen Mongrain, Steve Muff, Jamie McGrigor, Marilyn Kreuzinger, Neil Wilson, Kevin Bursey, Bruno Delmaestro and Mich Millar. Off ice was done by Madison Lyons and Brittany Novakowski.

This year a coaching portion was also offered. The 22 Coaches who attended felt it was full of great information and coaching techniques. Manon Perron moderated the clinic—combining classroom with on ice work. The on ice sessions were working with skaters in the Camp so it was a two fold bonus.

The highlight as always, was the Jazz Competition at the Banquet on Saturday night. Coached by Mitch Millar—another great job!

This year's winners of the Jazz Contest were: 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Team 3- Blue (7&U) - (These young ones did an amazing job!), 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Team 7- Turquoise (STAR 4- Group 3) 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Team 9—Lime Green (Pre-Novice/Novice)

A big Thank You to the RDT Coordinators:

BC Coast – Leah Warwick  
CNCR – Jennifer Auston  
Kootenay – Sarah Gower  
Okanagan – Andrea Fleming  
Vancouver Island – Mary Lou Newbold

These AMAZING people spend endless hours at the rink making sure everyone gets to their proper sessions, gets their lunch and handing out gentle discipline when needed! They spend countless hours during the year promoting, registering, organizing events and doing admin work for the Teams.

And another huge Thank You to Yvette Delcourt. She puts in so much time and adds “little extras” that make each year special. This seminar truly would not happen without her.....

We are looking forward to next year's camp!

**Coaches Bruno Delmaestro,  
Manon Person, Marilyn  
Kreuzinger & Jason Mongrain**



# 2013 BC/YK SECTION AGM & AWARDS NIGHT



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## 2013 BC/YK SECTION AWARD WINNERS



Skate Canada Program  
Assistant of the Year Award  
**Carlee Shenton**  
Fort St. John SC



CanSkater of the Year  
**Alexa Christianson**  
Sungod SC



Skate Canada STARSkate Athlete  
Award  
**Jacob Verhelst**  
Beaver Valley SC

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Skate Canada Section  
Volunteer Award  
**Sally Rehorick**  
BC Centre of Excellence



Lifetime Achievement Award  
**Audrey Williams**  
Hollyburn Country Club



Audrey Moore Participation Award  
**Sharon Dahl**  
Cheam SC



BC/YK Section Adult Skating Award  
**Cheyenne Irvine**  
Valleyview SC



Skate Canada Section Officials  
Award  
**Vanessa Hunter**  
BC Centre of Excellence



Skate Canada Officials Award of  
Excellence  
**Beth Crane**  
BC Centre of Excellence

## 2013 BC/YK SECTION AWARD WINNERS



Elizabeth Swan Memorial Award  
**Syd Hughes**  
WRSSSC



Skate Canada Competitive  
Athlete Award  
**Eric Liu**  
North Shore Winter Club



Skate Canada Section Volunteer  
Coach Award  
**Andrea Fleming**  
Mount Boucherie SC

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Skate Canada Club & Recreation  
Coach Award of Excellence  
**Norma Grant**  
Sungod SC



BC/YK Section Dogwood Award  
**Margaret Warwick**  
Connaught SC



BC/YK Section Coaches Choice  
Award  
**Laura Carr**  
Kelowna SC



Susan Griffith Committee Chairman  
Award  
**Wendy Martin-Stroyan**  
Abbotsford SC



BC/YK Section Competitive Coach of  
the Year  
**Megan Wing & Aaron Lowe**  
BC Centre of Excellence



BC/YK Female Youth Promise  
Award  
**Rachel Pettitt**  
Arctic Edge SC

**2013 BC/YK SECTION AWARD WINNERS**



BC/YK Male Youth Promise Award  
**Eric Liu**  
*North Shore Winter Club*



BC/YK Dance Youth Promise Award  
**Danielle Wu & Spencer Soo**  
*Burnaby SC*



25 Year Pins  
**Melissa Houle**  
**Ellen Bornowsky**  
**Sharon Coles**  
**Beth Crane**  
**Michele Sutherland**  
**Sue Willems**  
**Allan Davidson**  
**Sally Rehorick**



50 Year Pin  
**Shirra Kenworthy**

*Missing from photo:*  
**Leslie Blais, Catherine Clelland, Patt Cutt,**  
**Rowena Gajadhar, Susan MacDonald, Ali**  
**Pimlott, Jo-anne Rondeau, Wayne**  
**Sutherland, Barbara West, Judith Williams**

Photos by Brett Bardon

*“Volunteers don't just do the work ~ they make it work.”*



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## Athlete's Auction

The 2013 Athlete's Auction was held in conjunction with the BC/YK Section Awards Night May 4th, 2013 at the Delta Burnaby Hotel & Conference Center. It was once again a huge success and we would like to take this opportunity to thank all those in our skating family who supported the Athlete's Trust by donating items.

**Thank you very much for your support!**



**2013  
ATHLETES  
AUCTION**



## SKATE CANADA RECOGNIZES OUTSTANDING VOLUNTEERS



*Danalee Harrison*



*Syd Hughes*



*Sally Rehorick*

*Cont. from Cover...*

Canadian silver medalist Kevin Reynolds, Canadian silver medalist Gabrielle Daleman, and Amy Cebulak, Team captain of the world synchronized skating silver medalists, NEXXICE.

The Skate Canada National Award Program honours dedicated members of the skating community who have donated their time to help contribute to improving the quality of skating in Canada.

The 2012-2013 recipients from the BC/YK Section are:

- **Skate Canada Club and Recreation Coach Award of Excellence**  
Danalee Harrison, Newton FSC
- **Elizabeth Swan Memorial Award**  
Syd Hughes, White Rock South Surrey SC

Skate Canada also presents a volunteer award to one member of each of the 13 Skate Canada sections. The following outstanding volunteers have been awarded the 2012-2013 Skate Canada Volunteer Award of Excellence:

- **British Columbia/Yukon Section**  
Sally Rehorick, BC Centre of Excellence

# MEMORIES FROM THE ACGM



## SKATE CANADA ELECTS NEW PRESIDENT

At the 100<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention and General Meeting (ACGM) of the association in Ottawa this past weekend, delegates elected Leanna Caron as its new President.

Caron, who grew up in Timmins, Ont., was elected for a two-year term. An International Skating Union (ISU) level official, she was first elected to the Skate Canada Board of Directors in 2008 and has both led and served on numerous domestic and international committees.

Her vision as President is to “continue the success of this leading sport organization as we work to not only develop the sport internationally, but to ensure that all Canadians are exposed to the lifelong joy of skating.”

“We have such a rich history of excellence in skating in Canada,” she continued. “I will work to see Skate Canada maintain our leadership position, supporting our athletes, coaches and officials to evolve and develop the sport even further. Our foundation is our local clubs across the country who are the backbone of our success!”

Also elected to serve two-year terms were Bill Boland (London, Ont.) as Elected Director – Finance, Karen Butcher, (Greely, Ont.) as Elected Director – Technical, Sally Rehorick (Vancouver, B.C.) as Elected Director – Technical and Rod Garossino, (Calgary, Alta.) as Elected Director.

Benoît Lavoie, Beauport, Que., who was President for seven years, moves into the role of Past-President on the Board of Directors. The remainder of the Board are Monica Lockie, Keswick, Ont., (Coaching); Debbie MacMurdo, Charlottetown, P.E.I.; Mary Ellen McDonald, Winnipeg, Man.; Lorraine Mapoles, Kelowna, B.C., (Western Region); Bev Power, Labrador City, Nfld., (Eastern Region); Steven Scherrer, Waterloo, Ont., (Ontario Region); and Sylvie Simard, St-Jean-Chrysostome, Que. (Québec). The Athlete Representative will be determined at a later date.



*BC/YT Section Chairman and Skate Canada Board Member  
Lorraine Mapoles with Canadian Silver Medalist Kevin  
Reynolds*



*Newly Elected Skate Canada Board Director  
(Technical) Sally Rehorick*

## 2013 NATIONAL TEAM CAMP

Twenty-Six single skaters from across the country, with ages ranging from 11-18 met in Toronto, Ontario, for the Skate Canada National Development Camp April 25-47th, 2013. The camp focuses on the development of high performance athletes in Canada and each of the skaters were selected based on a combination of age and performance in the 2012-2013 season.

“This camp is so important to help develop talent and depth in Canadian figure skating. It’s an opportunity for us to see how they have progressed since the 2013 Canadian Tire National Figure Skating Championships, and to provide them with the skills to continue improving,” said Mike Slipchuk, Skate Canada High Performance Director.

Over the course of three days, a variety of different on-ice sessions were held. Skaters had the opportunity to learn from world champion ice dancer Shae-Lynn Bourne who held a stroking session, and renowned coaches Lee Barkell, Doug Leigh, Christy Krall, Brian Orser, Joanne McLeod and Manon Perron who all held technical sessions.

The athletes also took part in fitness testing at the Canadian Sport Centre Ontario while the coaches attended a session specifically focused on Dartfish technology and integrated sport team with Christy Krall and Patricia Chafe.

“This camp is really about equipping both the skaters and coaches with the tools needed to succeed. As we head into the 2014 Olympics this is the time to develop those younger athletes that are looking towards the 2018 and 2022 Olympic Games,” continued Slipchuk.

Though the camp was serious business the skaters still had a bit of time to hang out and get to know each other.

### **BC Camp Participants**

#### **Junior Women**

Larkyn Austman, 15, Connaught SC

#### **Novice Women**

Julianne Delaurier, 15, Kelowna SC

Kelsey Wong, 14, BC Centre of Excellence

#### **Senior Men**

Mitchell Gordon, 16, Connaught SC

#### **Novice Men**

Eric Liu, 11, BC Centre of Excellence



## COACHES CORNER

### TECHNICAL

Please make sure you visit the technical page of our website. This is home to all current technical information. You will find technical documents and clarification in this part of our website. It is a very important page for coaches, officials and skaters to visit on a regular basis.

**NEW** — [Communication No. 2013-04 Competitive Update](#)

**NEW** — [ISU Communication 1790—2013-2014 SOV, GOE & Levels of Difficulty](#)

**NEW** — [2013-2014 STAR Technical Package](#)

**NEW** — [STAR Summary of Changes.](#)

### SUMMERSKATE

SummerSkate registration is not open. The registration deadline is Wednesday July 10th at 11:45pm. Please check the [SummerSkate competition Page](#) for details.

### NCCP

#### **Upcoming courses:**

The BC/YK Section will be hosting both CanSkate and Primary STARSkate Courses following SummerSkate August 19th-21st. Please see [coaches page](#) for registration details. The registration deadline is **JULY 15, 2013.**

#### **Level 3:**

Due to low registration we had to cancel our June NCCP Level 3 Singles and General Subjects course. If anybody is interested in taking this course please contact Amy at [amy@skatinginbc.com](mailto:amy@skatinginbc.com) and she will put you on a contact list for the next one.



# Susan's Gems

## **SOME "THOUGHTS" FROM WORLDS**

As you may or may not be aware I refereed the Ladies event at the World Championships in London Ontario. I would like to share two thoughts from the competition.

### **#1. Choreo Sequences-----for the Ladies**

This is an element that should be given attention and fully developed as it is "free marks".

Make sure the sequence is WELL choreographed TO THE MUSIC. This is extremely important allowing the judge to give +2's and + 3's.

Cover the ice FULLY----this is good for the Technical Team in identifying the element and for plus GOEs.

Make sure each movement that you incorporate into the sequence is well defined with good quality of movement... 'poor quality of movements' can result in a GOE reduction of -1 to -2

Although different, I believe that much of the above applies to the Men's Choreo Sequence.

### **#2. Medical "Time-Outs"**

I was very aware that a number of coaches did not realize that Carolina Kostner could have come over to me and received a three minute medical time-out for her nose bleed with NO DEDUCTION. (Rule #551 in the ISU Rulebook, page 108). There previously was a deduction but that is no longer the case.

Just thought I would pass these thoughts along to the Coaches.

Regards,

Susan Heffernan



## ACCREDITATION FOR EVENTS POLICY REMINDER

As Skate Canada moves forward with the competitive re-structure, the Accreditation for Events Policy will also be undergoing a few changes. Several changes in the Accreditation for Events Policy will impact coaches.

**Pre-juvenile sectional events:** As of July 1, 2011, all coaches attending pre-juvenile events at a sectional event must be Intermediate STARSkate / Provincial Coach (IS/PC) certified.

**Canadian Championships:** As of July 1, 2012, all coaches attending this event will be required to be NCCP Level 3 certified. This means that coaches of Novice, Junior and Senior level competitors will have to meet this standard prior to Canadians in January 2013.

**Canadian Synchronized Skating Championships:** As of July 1, 2013, all coaches attending this event must be NCCP Level 3 certified. This means that coaches of Novice, Intermediate, Junior, Senior or Open teams must be NCCP Level 3 certified prior to the Synchronized Skating Championships in 2014.

We have communicated these changes with the Section Offices and have requested they assist where possible in providing the relevant NCCP technical courses. Please contact your local office for a list of courses in your area.

Please keep the above mentioned certification requirements in mind to ensure that you have achieved the necessary certification level to attend the events with your athletes. If you have any questions please contact [coaching&programs@skatecanada.ca](mailto:coaching&programs@skatecanada.ca)



The image shows a professional coaching member ID card. At the top left is the Skate Canada logo, a red maple leaf on a white base with 'SKATE CANADA' written below it. To the right of the logo, the text reads 'Professional Coaching Member' in bold, followed by '2011 - 2012'. Further right is a teal square with 'ISPC' in white. Below the logo is a black silhouette of a person's head and shoulders. To the right of the silhouette, the name 'Judy Smith - AB/NT/NU' is printed. Below the name are four lines of information: 'First aid expiry: Sept. 29 2013', 'Screening expiry: Sept. 20 2011', 'Skate Canada: 3001234567', and 'CC: 1234567'. At the bottom left is a barcode. At the bottom right is a yellow box with the text 'CEP Bronze 2010 - 2012'.

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## LEVEL III DATA SPECIALIST PROMOTION

We are pleased to announce that Sharon Dahl has been promoted to a Level III Data Specialist.

Based on the Domestic Officials' Committee review of her performance during the examination process completed this season, Sharon's promotion was approved in April 2013.

The BC/YK section we would like to congratulate Sharon and thank her for her continued dedication and service to officiating.



## COMMUNITY SPORT HERO AWARDS

Celebrating its 12<sup>th</sup> year, the Community Sport Hero Awards, partnered with Teck Resources Ltd, recently honoured 18 outstanding Sport Volunteers from both Vernon and Chilliwack. The program recognizes coaches, officials, mentors and administrators who have dedicated themselves to amateur sport at the community level. Since its inception in 2001, 50 Provincial Sport Organizations have honoured 536 sport volunteers in 45 different communities. The BC/YK section is pleased to announce that this year some of our volunteers were recognized.

The Chilliwack Active for Life Committee celebrated eight dedicated sport volunteers at the ninth annual Chilliwack community Sport Heros Reception. The following volunteers were selected to receive the 2013 Sport Hero Award:

- Kim Kelly—Figure Skating
- Krista Reimer—Figure Skating



**SPORT BC** honoured nine dedicated sport leaders from Vernon on Thursday, April 25, 2013 with the Community Sport Hero Awards.

The public award ceremony, hosted at the Prestige Hotel in Vernon, celebrated the contributions of long-time community sport volunteers. “The Community Sport Hero Awards are a celebration of volunteers who have contributed eight or more years to sport,” said Twyla Ryan, Chair of Sport BC. “Sport is crucial to the development of strong, healthy communities, and community volunteers, like the eight scheduled to be honoured, are essential to that success.”

The following individuals are the outstanding volunteers who were selected by their peers to receive the 2013 Community Sport Hero Awards in Vernon:

- Nancy Dennis, Skating

## 25 MEDALS FOR CANADIAN TEAM ADULT SKATERS

**OTTAWA, ONT:** Canada's adult figure skaters had an impressive showing at this year's International Skating Union (ISU) Adult Figure Skating Competition held in Oberstdorf, Germany, from May 14-18, 2013. The Canadian team earned a total of 25 medals, including 12 gold medals, seven silver medals, and six bronze medals.



The Canadian team showed an especially great presence in a podium sweep in the Ladies Artistic Gold III & IV events when Cheyenne Irvine, Annette Nymeyer, and Gloria Purvey took the top three podium spots on the first day of competition.

“Our team truly showed what it is to be Canadian and to represent a country where skating is for life,” said Benoît Lavoie, Skate Canada President. “We are very proud of all of our adult skaters for showing the passion and enjoyment they have in skating, and earning great results in doing so.”

The Canadian medalists at the 2013 ISU Adult Figure Skating Competition were:

### **Gold medalists:**

Diana Barkley - Silver Ladies Artistic IV & V  
Eva Davies - Masters Ladies Free Skate I  
Eva Davies - Masters Ladies Artistic I & II  
Julie Fortier and Stephan Allard - Gold Free Dance  
Julie Fortier and Stephan Allard - Gold Pattern Dance  
Cheyenne Irvine - Ladies Artistic Event Gold III & IV  
Linda Lafond - Masters Ladies III Free Skate  
Monette Leblanc - Bronze Ladies Artistic III  
Linda Ladies Artistic V  
Corinne Stewart - Silver Ladies Artistic III  
Barbara Tkach - Ladies Silver IV Free Skate  
Marilyn Triggs - Ladies Bronze Free Skate IV & V

### **Silver medalists:**

Cheyenne Irvine - Ladies Gold III Free Skate  
Linda Lafond - Masters (Elite) Ladies Artistic III & IV  
Denis LaRochelle - Silver Men Free Skating III & IV  
Don Murray - Men's Artistic Event Bronze I, II & III  
Annette Nymeyer - Ladies Artistic Event Gold III & IV  
Corinne Stewart - Ladies Silver Free Skate III  
James Wilkins - Men's Artistic Event Bronze IV



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**Bronze medalists:**

Joan Cheng - Ladies Gold Free Skate II

Julie Fortier and Stephan Allard - Ice Dance Masters (Elite) & Adult Short Dance

Michelle Lamonthe - Silver IV Free Skate

Gloria Purvey - Ladies Artistic Event Gold III & IV

Natasha Taylor - Masters Ladies Free Skate I

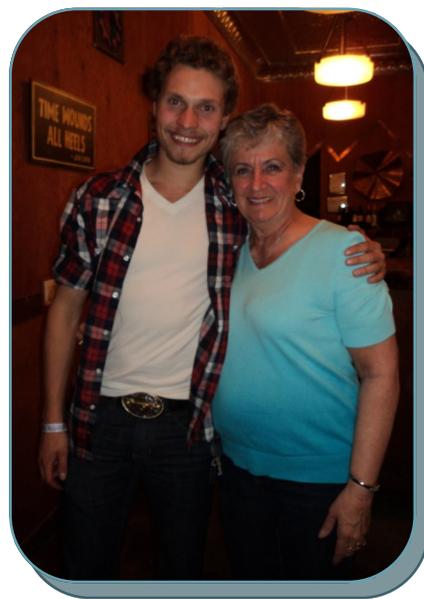
Barbara Tkach - Silver Ladies Artistic IV & V

The competition attracted more than 400 skaters (a record number of entries), between the ages of 28-78, from 23 countries. Canada has been well represented at this event since the ISU began this competition in 2005. Next year's event will mark the 10th anniversary and it promises to attract even more skaters from Canada and around the world.

For results, full entries, and more information, please visit [www.isu.org](http://www.isu.org) or [www.adultskating.org](http://www.adultskating.org)

## **BC TEAM MEMBERS GAIN SUPPORT FROM FUNDRAISER**

A fundraiser was held at the Saskatoon Farm just out of Okotoks, Alberta for BC Team Members Nicole Orford and Thomas Williams. Okotoks Thomas's home town continues to be a huge support to him and Nicole as evident in this great event. The evening started with a lovely dinner followed by silent and live auctions. There was also a toonie toss and a 50/50 draw (the winner donated their winnings back). The venue.....The Saskatoon Farm is a nursery and stores where you can buy a great variety of things, saskatoon pies, jam, syrup etc, paintings, lamps, plants, trees, and all sorts of collectibles and nik naks. A portion of all sales at the farm went to Thomas & Nicole. Among the guests was BC/YT Section Past Chairman, Gail Weber who came out to show her support for this dynamic dance team. It was a really enjoyable evening for all who attended.



***Thomas and Gail***

## **GOLD FEET**



### **Caribe Niemann**

I am 13 and have been skating for 4 years. My favorite things about skating is feeling the rush of cold air when you go really fast and landing a high jump.

I love cats, and in my spare time I like to hang out with my friends, take photographs, ski and swim.

The Saanich Skating Club of Victoria would like to congratulate Caribe for obtaining her gold feet in Skills. Well done!

### **Christine Champlin**

Christine is a 16 year old high school student who has skated for nine years, and been with her coach Yoshie Measures for seven years. This March Christina achieved her Gold Skills. She is currently working on finishing her Jr. Silver dances, Sr. Silver Free Skate and remaining Interpretive tests. Christina also plays basketball on her high school team. This past season Christina volunteered her time to help coaches develop the STARSkate ice show number, as well as a 'Bollywood' themed pair number that she helped to choreograph and performed. Christina is a wonderful role model in the Nelson FSC, demonstrating her passion for figure skating with her positive attitude and enthusiasm. Congratulations!



## GOLD FEET



### Danielle Delvicario

Riley is a 12 year old grade 7 student at Chemainus Community Elementary School who finished her first year of skating when she was still 2 years old. She began competing at 4 years old and has competed in both Competitive and Star Skate, doing very well in both. Riley passed her Gold Interpretive Test in April 2012 which enabled her to reach her long term goal of passing two gold tests at 12 years old. Her highlights include Flower Retrieving at the 2009 ISU and the 2010 Olympics. She is currently working on the second half of her Senior Silver Freeskate and her Junior Silver Dances.

Riley would like to thank her long time coach Shannon (Knott) McKinlay for all her years of coaching and dedication to the sport of Figure Skating.

### Georgia Dawkin

Georgia is seventeen years old, and has been figure skating for six years. She only began skate testing in 2009. This year she earned her Gold Interpretive, performing "Discombobulate," written by Hans Zimmer, and brilliantly choreographed by her coach, Jennifer Hammond. This routine also earned her a gold medal at this year's Super Series Final. Georgia hopes to earn her Gold Skills and Gold Dance in the upcoming season.



### Jenny Hwang

I am 14 yrs old, heading to High School next year, and have been skating for 3 yrs. This is my first gold feet and I look forward to completing the rest soon. I'd like to thank my coaches Brenda Charity, Barb Turner, and Murray Carey for all their hard work in getting me through my gold skills. I love skating!

## **GOLD FEET**

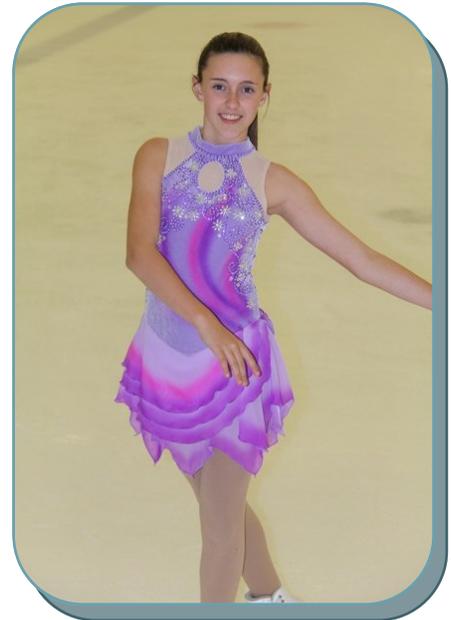


### **Jolene Kellerman**

Jolene Kellerman is from the Boundary Figure Skating Club in Midway. She homeschools and is finishing Grade 11. Jolene recently passed her Gold Skills at Glengarry Spring School in Penticton. She has also completed her Gold Dances. Her next goal is Gold Interpretive and Senior Bronze Freeskate. Jolene would like to thank her regular season coach, Carla Bryan and off-season coach, Trevor Bутtenham from the Glengarry Club for their help in achieving this goal.

### **Kaitlin Towill**

Congratulations to Kaitlin Towill who passed her Gold Skills test which is the highest achievement in the Skating Skills program. The objective of the Skating Skills program is mastery of the basic fundamentals of skating - edge quality, control, power and speed. Kaitlin is a member of the Hollyburn Figure Skating Club and is coached by Joanne Sloman and Diane Beaudet.



## **GOLD FEET**

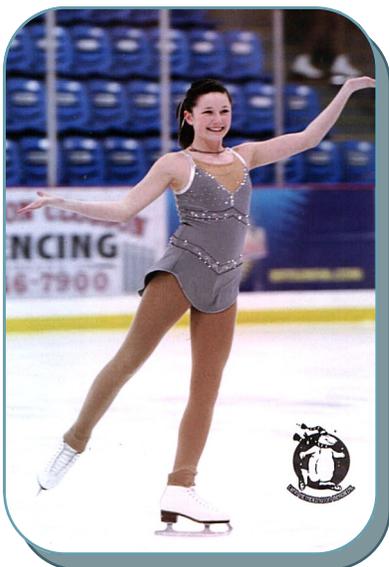
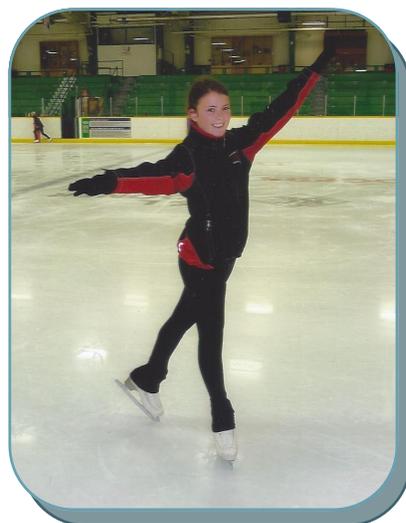


### **Kirstyn Beech**

Kirstyn began skating at the age on 3 and has remained with the Fort St John Figure Skating for the last 11 years. Kirstyn passed her Gold Skills in 2012 and has only 1 dance left before completing her Gold Dances as well. She is 14 years old and continues to have a passion for skating. Keep up the good work Kirstyn.

### **Megan Weber**

Megan has been skating with th Campbell River Skating Club since she was 4 years old. Now at the age of 13 she competes in Senior Bronze, and Introductory Interpretative. She has a great passion for skating, and worked hard to achieve Gold Feet in Skills. Last December at the age of 12 Megan broke her arm one week before test day, and although she had to be pulled from her Freeskate Test, she still worked hard to pass her Gold Skills...Gold Feet, Fiberglass Arm!

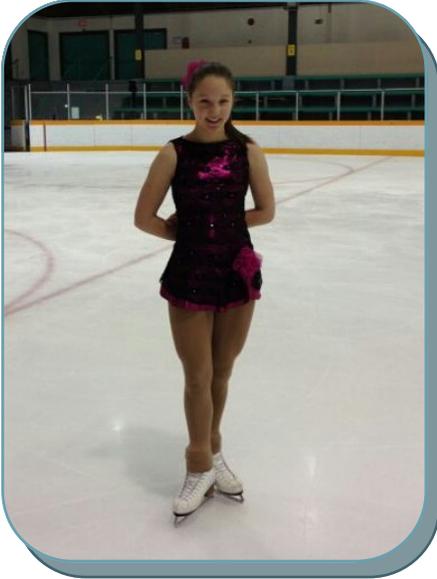


### **Raeanna Cowan**

The Mt. Arrowsmith Skating Club of Port Alberni would like to recognize Raeanna Cowan for achieving her Gold Free Dance and her Gold Interpretative. Raeanne is 15 years old and currently in Grade 10.

Congratulations Raeanna on your achievement.

## GOLD FEET



### Renee Lim

The Killarney Skating Club would like to recognize Renee Lim for achieving her Gold Skills and Gold Freeskate tests this year. Renee is currently 14 years old and in grade 9. This year she plans to compete at the Novice level and hopes to qualify for National competitions. Along with being a hard worker, Renee also volunteers many hours to our Canskate program as a program assistant and is a positive role model for younger skaters in our club.

Congratulations Renee! =)

### Susan Xu

Susan Xu of the Kerrisdale Figure Skating Club has successfully completed her Gold Skating Skills. Susan has skated for 10 years and her lifelong passion for skating has shown dedication and determination. A current UBC student, Susan is also actively pursuing a coaching career and does a great job spreading her love for skating with the Learn to Skate program at Kerrisdale. Her favourite thing about skating is being able to jump higher on the ice than she would ever be able to do off the ice and eventually would like to give Synhro a whirl! As her KFSC coach, I would like to congratulate Susan on her Gold Skating Skills and wish her all the best with her future skating goals and coaching career.



# Super Series Feedback Service

This Super Series Feedback Service is offered to skaters in the Juvenile-Junior events at all Super Series Competitions (Vancouver Island, Victoria Day, SummerSkate, Autumn Leaves, Sectionals, STARSkate Final). This is a great opportunity to receive feedback on your programs from our top assessors in BC.

## **JUVENILE EVENTS— Cost: \$25.00**

-This includes 2 assessments: Technical GOE Assessment & Program Component Assessment

## **PRE-NOVICE, NOVICE & JUNIOR EVENTS—Cost \$35.00 per program or \$70.00 for both programs**

-This includes 3 assessments per program: Technical Calls Assessment, Technical GOE Assessment, Program Component Assessment

## What is the Feedback Service?

This is a program of the BC/YK Section's Skaters Development Committee established in conjunction with the new Super Series competitions. The program objectives are:

- To provide useful and accurate feedback to skaters in the competitive stream and their coaches.
- To raise awareness among skaters, coaches and parents of the criteria for assessment by Technical and Judging Panels.

To develop a cadre of technical specialists, controllers, referees and judges who can provide useful feedback to skaters and their coaches in a timely, accurate and appropriate way.

## How Does it work?

Skaters or coaches make their request to have feedback on their scores and performances at the competition through the Section office. For each program requested, there are three different assessments:

- **Technical Calls Assessment:** Levels of Difficulty of elements called by the Technical Panel (e.g. lifts, step sequences, spins) as well as details about other aspects of the technical scores such as downgraded jumps.
- **Technical GOE Assessment:** Grades of Execution or GOE's, which are the scores on each element awarded by the judges on the quality of the elements executed.
- **Program Components Assessments:** these are the five scores which deal with overall aspects of the performance: Skating Skills, Transitions and Linking Movements; Performance and Execution; Choreography and Composition; Interpretation.

The assessments are conducted after the competitions. The goal is to promote a common understanding and use of the actual criteria used in establishing the scores on the skater's report card. [Sample assessments](#) can be found on the Skating in BC website.

## Who are the Assessors?

Assessors are drawn from the list of Technical Specialists, Technical Controllers, Referees and Judges of the BC/YK Section. They are assigned by the Judges' and Technical Committees with input from the Skaters' Development Committee. Working from the report card and video of the skater's performance, the assessor addresses each score with relation to the criteria for evaluation. The objective is to enrich the understanding of both coach and skater with regards to improvement for the future, within the established criteria.

For more information contact Amy at [amy@skatinginbc.com](mailto:amy@skatinginbc.com)

## 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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