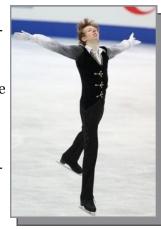




# Thin Ice

# BC/YK skaters head to the Canadian Championships in pursuit of the Olympic Dream

A large contingent of senior competitors will represent BC at the Canadian Championships in Ottawa, January 9-15, 2014. This is where they will compete with the best skaters in the country for a spot on the 2014 Canadian Olympic Team. Canada will send three Men, two Women, three Dance Teams and three Pair Teams to the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in Sochi Russia February 7-23, 2014.



Among the competitors are BC/YK veter-

an skaters Kevin



Reynolds, Jeremy Ten and Liam Firus. Kevin who has been off the Grand Prix circuit this season due to equipment issues will be looking to retain his spot on the podium for his first berth to the Olympic Games. Jeremy twice Canadian Bronze Medalist and Liam Firus both superb skaters will challenge for the third podium spot and position on the Olympic Team. Mitchell Gordon will be close behind chasing the Olympic dream.

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

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

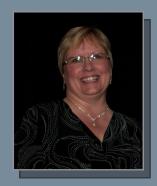
Congratulations to our Super Series winners that were named at Sections! You had a great year of skating!! A big congratulations as well to our Region Winners. Great job!

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

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

Lorraine Mapoles BC/YK Section Chairman Skate Canada





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silver medal win at Challenge and 2012 Canadian Junior Mens champion Mitchell Gordon.

In the dance event the 2013 Canadian Bronze Medalists Nicole Orford and Thomas Williams will compete alongside their training mates 2013 Canadian Junior Champions Madeline Edwards and Zhao Kai Pang who will be making their Senior debut.

Larkyn Austman, the 2013 Canadian Junior Ladies Champion will also be making her Senior Ladies debut at the championships.

Heading to the National championships as well will be a strong team of BC's Junior and Novice skaters (see page 33 for details). While the chance for an Olympic berth will have to wait until 2018, you can bet that these young athletes will be watching the Senior events closely with dreams of representing Canada at the next Olympic Winter Games.











# BURNABY TO HOST THE 2014 SKATE CANADA SYNCHRONIZED SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS



OTTAWA, ON: Burnaby, B.C., will be the 2014 host for the Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships. The event will take place February 21-23, 2014 at the Bill Copeland Sports Centre.

"I am thrilled that Burnaby has been successful in its bid to host the 2014 Skate Canada National Synchronized Skating Championships," says Burnaby mayor, Derek Corrigan. "It is an honour to have our City and facilities recognized by Skate Canada. The Bill Copeland Sports Centre is an exceptional venue that will help ensure the success of this major national event. We look forward to showcasing our exemplary skating facilities while welcoming to our City the hundreds of skaters, coaches and volunteers — and the thousands of spectators — who will attend these Championships during a season that typically sees fewer visitors. In addition to experiencing what is sure to be an exciting and memorable event, I know that all who attend and participate will enjoy the hospitality and the hundreds of attractions Burnaby has to offer."

The 2014 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships will bring approximately 50 teams and over 1,000 skaters from across the country to the city.

Teams will compete for national titles in the senior, junior, open, intermediate and novice categories. The top two senior teams will represent Canada at the 2014 ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships from April 4-5, 2014 in Courmayeur, Italy.

The 2012 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships will be held in Windsor, Ont., at the WFCU Centre from February 23-25, 2012. The 2013 event will be hosted by Calgary, Alta., at the WinSport Canada's Athletic and Ice Complex (AIC) from February 22-24, 2013.





We are pleased to announce that the 2014 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships are being held at Bill Copeland Sports Centre in Burnaby, BC from Feb 20-22, 2014. There will be approximately 50 teams and over 1,000 skaters from across the country.

Teams will compete for national titles in the senior, junior, open, intermediate and novice categories. The top two senior teams will represent Canada at the 2014 ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships from April 4-5, 2014 in Courmayeur, Italy.

We need volunteers!!

We need you!!

To sign up, please click on the following link!

**Volunteer Sign Up** 

#### **CONNAUGHT SC**

We kicked off our 2013-2014 season hosting our Annual Open House in September . It was a terrific opportunity for new and returning skaters to meet our coaches and Board of Directors and get all the information they needed to start out the season, as well as browse through our Skate and Clothing sale.

Several of our skaters were honoured to be presented with Karen Magnussen Bursaries at the BC Sports Hall of Fame Awards, and will perform on an outdoor rink at the Annual Grouse Mountain Holiday show on December 21: Larkyn Austman, Shawn Cuevas, Danielle Gordon, Mitchell Gordon, and Madge Sheung.

Six Connaught skaters competed at Sask Skate Invitational, October 4-6. Phoebe Yan (Pre Juv Ladies U11) came home with a Silver medal, and Monsie Godinez (Pre Juv Ladies U14) won a Bronze medal. Our 4 other competitors had strong results: Haleigha Bull (Pre Juv Ladies U11 - 4th), Mary-Jo Yun (Pre Juv Ladies U14-4th), Martin Yushko (Juv Men-4th), and Danielle Gordon (Novice Ladies - 5th).

Two of our elite skaters had the exciting opportunity to represent Canada on the Junior Grand Prix circuit this Fall. Mitchell Gordon, accompanied by coach Keegan Murphy, placed 11th at the ISU JGP Czech Skate. Larkyn Austman finished 8th at the ISU JGP Tallinn Cup, her JGP debut.

Micah Lynette, one of our younger members from the US (Bellingham), competed at the 2014 Northwest Pacific Regionals, placing 2nd and qualifying for the 2014 Pacific Coast Sectional Championships, where he placed 6th.

As well, a team of 47 skaters travelled to the Autumn Leaves competition in Chilliwack, coming home with Gold medals for Mitchell Gordon in Senior Men, Kurtis Schreiber in Novice Men, and Jocelyn Chui in Star Cont...

Sectionals medal presentation team, with Bev Viger, Alice Wong MP, & Lorraine Mapoles





Karen Magnussen Bursary Recipients

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5 Girls. Other medal winners were: Daniel Chen (Senior Men -3rd), Shawn Cuevas (Junior Men - 2nd), Beres Clements (Juvenile Men - 2nd), Phoebe Yan (Juv Women U11 - 2nd), Ronald Chang (Star 4 Boys - 2nd), and Wesley Chiu (Star 4 Boys - 3rd).

In November, we had the exciting opportunity to host the 2014 BC/YK Sectionals, and our LOC did an amazing job. We are very appreciative of the many volunteers, the Section staff, and the Richmond Arena staff for their help in producing this competition, and to Mayor Malcolm Brodie and MP Alice Wong for their participation in medal presentations.

Twenty-six Connaught skaters competed at Sectionals, up from 18 last year, which culminated in 17 top 10 finishes. We have 3 new Provincial Champions: Mitchell Gordon (Senior Men), Larkyn Austman (Senior Women) and Beres Clements (Juvenile Men). Five other Connaught skaters won medals: Daniel Chen (Senior Men - Bronze), Shawn Cuevas (Junior Men - Silver), Kurtis Schreiber (Novice Men -Bronze), Elvie Carroll (Pre Novice Women- Pewter), Phoebe Yan (Juv Women U11 - Silver), and Madge Sheung (Juv Women U14 - Bronze). Five skaters have qualified for the BC Team and to attend Skate Canada Challenge in Regina, SK in December. Skate Canada Challenge will be a special experience for the athletes, complete with a wonderful support Team from the Section, including a fantastic Team Room hosted by Diane Neilson.

This Fall we welcomed a talented new coach, Matt MacMurdo, to our coaching team.

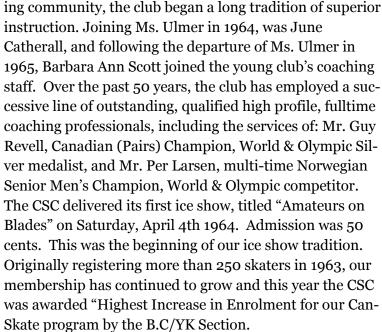


A collage of some of our club members by one of our amazing parent volunteers: Jimmy Jin

#### **COQUITLAM SC**

#### Coquitlam SC turns 50!

2013 marked the Coquitlam Skating
Clubs' 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary as an official Skate
Canada Skating Club. The 50 year milestone was celebrated in March, at our Anniversary Celebration Ice Show—
"Enchanted Tales on Ice" with the return
of esteemed alumni and coaches. A gala
followed with the return of many past
members of the club. Many of these past
members shared the rich history of the
CSC. Jean (Mathews) Ulmer, runner up
to Barbara Ann Scott in Senior Ladies at
the Canadian National Championship, was
Coquitlam Skating Club's first coach of record. Through her contacts within the skating community, the club began a long tradit



Our Skaters, from a wide variety of levels and disciplines from Competitive, STARSkate, Adult and Synchro have competed locally, provincially, nationally and internationally.



the Canadian National Championship, was Coquitlam SC Ice Show "Enchanted Tales on Ice"



Challenge competitors Brianna Delmaestro, Benjam Papp and Larissa Horobec

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In Sept. Jordan Ju, Ronald Lam and Bela Papp represented the CSC at the Nebelhorn Trophy in Germany. Brianna Delmaestro, with her ice dance partner, had two 5<sup>th</sup> place finishes in Tallinn Estonia and Gdansk Poland. Larissa Horobec was selected at Skate Canada B.C/Yukon Sectionals, to receive the Edward S. Barton Musicality Award. She is being joined by Benjam Papp, Pre Novice boys' champion, and Brianna Delmaestro at Skate Canada Challenge Dec. 4-8 in Regina, Sask. Ronald Lam and Jordan Ju are off to the Winter World University Games in Trentino Italy Dec. 11-21<sup>st</sup>. Bela Papp and Beate Papp are competing at the Finnish National Championships Dec.15-16<sup>th</sup>.

Congratulations to the following CSC skaters for completing their Gold Tests, Shannon Mason, Kate Reid, Carley Ishii, Hannah Lam, Benjam Papp, Christina Delmaestro, Sindy Shi, Alexandra Canning, Britney McKenzie-Cook, Gary You, Keira Gill, and Erin Chen. Congratulations also go to Shanelle Horobec for completing her Quadruple Gold by finishing her Gold Skills and Gold Dances in March of 2013.

## Coquitlam Skating Club Celebrates Canada's National Sports Day Nov 30-2013

On November 30th the Coquitlam Skating Club held a special event celebrating Canada's National Sports day with their own "It's Gr8t 2 Sk8t Coquitlam" event. Seventy skaters came out to Porier Sport and Leisure Centre to participate in an exciting learn to skate extravaganza! Senior

skater and

World competitor Ronald Lam kicked off the celebration by speaking to the young skaters about what sport meant to him and how he began his skating career at seven



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years of age in our CanSkate program. Skaters participated in our exciting new CanSkate program through physical literacy activities such as relays, circuits, and parachute games! Later skater enjoyed refreshments, and participated in craft and face painting. Thanks you to our board of directors coaches, and wonderful volunteers for making this such an enthusiastic and fun event.







#### **MISSION SC**

The Mission Skating Club was honoured to showcase their talented skaters during a torch lighting ceremony marking the 100 day countdown to the BC Winter Games hosted by Mission City.

Skaters ranging in age from 3 to 17 performed to a standing room capacity audience at the Mission Leisure Centre. The audience included dignitaries from the community and provincial officials of the Winter Games Organizing Committee. Months of planning and hard work paid off when skaters rounded their 13 minute theatrical performance to a standing ovation and tears from many in



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the audience. With the lighting of the Winter Games cauldron by Olympic speed skater Eden Donatelli-Greene, live music and First Nations dancers; this was for many skaters their first taste of performing for an audience. Smiles were bright and shared by all and for many years to come they will continue to create happy memories with our figure skating family. They represented our club and community with pride. Thank you Mission Skating Club skaters for a job very well done.

#### **NORTHERN BC CENTRE FOR SKATING**

#### Successful First Year for the Northern BC Centre for Skating

For competitive skaters Juvenile and up, Sectionals is the biggest competition of the season in our province.

The Northern BC Centre for Skating had two skaters representing Prince George.



Emma Bajestani competed in Juvenile Women and scored 21.43, which is a new Super Series personal best.

Emma successfully completed five different double jumps including a double double combination.

Justin Hampole competed in Pre-Novice Men where he placed 4th with 53.63 points. This secured his spot on the BC Team and participation at Skate Canada Challenge on December 4-8 in Regina. It has been 10 years since Prince George has had a figure skater qualify for a national championship.

Justin and Emma will represent Zone 8 at the B.C. Winter Games in Mission in February. Their success this season is being used as a motivational tool at the centre, especially for the younger skaters. This success will surely motivate and excite many of our members as the Centre builds towards hosting the BC/YK Sectional Championship next November.

#### Other NBCCS activities include:

• November 25th - Christmas shopping party at Shhhh... where part of shopping is donated back to the club.

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- November 27th Participation in 20th Annual Civic Light Up ceremony, where several skaters performed their programs for public.
- November 29th Power of Performance development seminar. Special guest was Vanessa Hunter a SkateCanada technical specialist. All the skaters that participated had a chance to receive one on one feedback, something they don't get after competitions.
- December 8th Our skater Jayna Mason will perform in "Holiday Festival on Ice" at the CN centre with Kurt Browning, Elvis Stojko, Jeffrey Buttle, Joannie Rochette, Shawn Sawyer, and Sinead and John Kerr
- December 13th NBCCS annual "Holiday Ice Show" at the Coliseum arena. Featuring all local skaters including youngest CanSkate start to our top competitive athletes.

#### For more media information please contact Irene Mason at pr.nbccs@gmail.com







#### **NEWTON SC**

# NEWTON F.S.C. Scores BIG-5 GOLD 1 SILVER 1 BRONZE and a $4^{\mathrm{TH}}$ PLACE

Newton FSC and coaches would like to congratulate their skaters for such a great showing this past weekend at the **19**<sup>th</sup> **Annual Jingle Blades Competition** held at Trout Lake Community Centre November 22-24.

Sarah Sutanto won the Gold in the Gold Interpretive Event and 4<sup>th</sup> in Senior Bronze Ladies.

Jacqueline Lam, Alexis Urry, and Stenton Dixon scored Gold in Star 2 Event and Evelyne Lam Gold in Star 1.

Ruhi Mander scored Silver in Star 2 and Vlada Hrabovik a Bronze in Star 1.

Your coaches David Gibson, Donna Paul, Danalee Harrison and Leslie Rupp are so very proud of your accomplishments..

Our next big competition is Winterskate to be held at Prospera Centre, Chilliwack on February 7,8,9,2014. These skaters have inspired others to join them in testing the waters for their first competition.

As well as finding time to train, these skaters donate countless hours to our younger Can Skaters. Come check out our web site for more information as well as be a part of our year end show on Thursday March 13, 2014.



"Competitors"- Valada Hrabovik, Jaqueline Lam, Sarah Sutano, Stenton Dixon, Ruhi Mander, Alexis Urry, Evelyne Lam

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The fun we have is contagious. Check out the photo below showing one of our sessions.





"Coaches and Competitors" - Donna Paul (coach), Vlada Hrabovik, Jacueline Lam, Sarah Sutanto, David Gibson (coach), Stenton Dixon, Ruhi Mander, Danalee Harrison (coach), Alexis Urry, Evelyne Lam, Leslie Rupp (coach)

Thank You on behalf of all the coaches and Executive at Newton FSC.

Leslie Rupp 604 202-2207 lrupp@telus.net

#### **NAKUSP SC**

The 2013/14 season of the Nakusp Figure Skating Club is well under way, and we've had nearly 30 skaters from in and around Nakusp hit the ice with us. Trained by coach Sabrina Hinson, the skaters range in age and abilities, from those just learning to skate to those competing and testing in STARSkate. Registration is ongoing; we're always ready to welcome new skaters!

Our club was proud to host a low test day on December 7, 2013, at which skaters from five Kootenay clubs—including seven skaters from Nakusp—gathered to be tested in various disciplines.

Our STARSkaters have also been busy elsewhere. Many honed their skills at a skating workshop in Castlegar in early November. There they spent time with three local coaches on skills like jumps, spins, and synchro and endurance stroking.

They were also able to prove their merit at the East Kootenay Invitational in Kimberley, plus are preparing to attend the West Kootenay Invitational in Rossland, the Kootenay Region Championships in Fruitvale and the Super Series STARSkate Final in Kelowna.

We want to congratulate our skaters on their successes and wish them luck in upcoming competitions and tests: Star 1: Olivia Mang, Chaira

Minchin, Haven Rahn; Star 2: Melissa Hascarl, Kenney Pazurik, Maya Watson; Star 4: Kiley Waterfield.

To keep skating fees low in order to make the activity accessible to as many skaters as possible, the club is involved in many Cont...



Some of our STARSkaters

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fundraisers. From raffle tickets, to bingo night, to a bottle drive, the club is out in the community in many ways. We'd like to thank the community and businesses for their ongoing support of our club. This support is essential to our existence, and we welcome any new opportunities.

Plus we couldn't successfully run our club without our dedicated program assistants, board members and parent volunteers. So thank you!

Find out more about us at www.nakuspfigureskatingclub.com.





**Having Fun at Halloween** 

#### **VALLEYVIEW SC**

Greetings from Kamloops. The VVSC kicked off the 2013-2014 season with our launch of the NEW CanSkate Program. Wow, what a lot of prep work, but has it ever paid off. We have three full sessions of CanSkate and Pre CanSkate for both our Fall and Winter Season. Thanks

to our Head CanSkate Coach

– Tammy Cadwell as she took
on this endeavor and gave all
of us the training and tools we
needed to start the program
right.

We also couldn't do it without the help of our new (to us) CanSkate Coach Reid Leer, who has been teaching the new program in Dawson Creek for a few years and moved to Kamloops this fall!



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Last but not least, the Program Assistants and off ice helpers that make the set up and teaching of the CanSkate circuits are our greatest asset. Thank you to: Abi, Aly, Alyssa, Brie, Brenna, Bryan, Cheyenne, Chika, Erica, Heather, Holly, Jana, Jazmin, Leila, Lisa, Lucy, Madison, Mac-Kenzie, Morgan, Olivia, Staci and Scott.

We were pleased to be able to continue to offer Powerskating and Adult Canskate again this year. If only we could get more ice to fit all of the requests for Powerskating that we have! Both of these programs continue to grow in numbers and accommodate skaters of all levels.

The VVSC skaters have competed in Summerskate 2013, Autumn Leaves 2013, Jingle Blades 2013 and just came back from the OK Winterclub in Winfield where we brought home five gold, nine silver and 7 bronze medals. It was also a first competition for 3 of our junior skaters – Leila, Morgan and Erika. The VVSC skaters are training for the 2014 OK Regionals in February 2014 and the Super Series Finals in March 2014.

The VVSC continues to have a growing contingent of Adult Star Skaters. Three skaters, Marilyn, Janet and Miranda, made it down to the November Adult Seminar in Langley. The skaters are preparing for the 2014 Western Regional Adult Competition, which is hosted by Red Deer in February. After that competition, we will have skaters compete at the Super Series Final in March and then off to Adult Nationals in Regina at the end of March.

Overall, we have had a great start to our 2103-14 season. A lot of firsts are happening on the ice and the atmosphere is fabulous! We now have a "Valleyview Skating Club" sign up at our home arena and are looking forward to a variety of guest coaches, seminars and more in the coming months. Happy Skating Everyone!





#### **NEW ONLINE FORM 100'S**

This year the BC/YK Section will asking all clubs to submit their Form 100's online. This will allow clubs to easily add and change their club's information as necessary. This will ensure that your club is getting the most current information and updates from the BC/YK Section.

If you have not already done so we ask that all clubs submit now. To access the Form 100 please see the link below:

FORM 100 LINK: http://form100.skatinginbc.org

To access the user guide please see the link below:

**USER GUIDE:** http://www.coastregistry.com/help/FORM%20100% 20Online%20Instructions.pdf

Paper copies will not be accepted and clubs will be responsible for keeping their information up to date. Note that if you have already sent in a paper copy of your Form 100 to either your region chairman or the BC/YK section office directly that you will need to resubmit it online.

As with all new technology, the system will grow with your needs. We want it to be very user friendly and easy and fast to use. If you have any questions or any technical questions or difficulty accessing the system, we absolutely will help you as quickly as we can. Please e-mail <a href="mailto:support@coastregistry.com">support@coastregistry.com</a> directly.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and support. We look forward to this exciting new initiative and hope that this makes keeping your club's information up to date easier and more accurate.

#### **BC COAST REGION NEWS**



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## **Active Start Workshop**

Hosted by the B. C. Coast Region

#### **British Columbia Coast Region**

The BC Coast Region is pleased to present a high level workshop to skaters in the BC Coast Region, who are skating in Star 1-4 categories. The purpose of the workshop is to transition skaters from a learn to skate program such as CanSkate or Junior Academy, to the STARSkate skating programs that a Skate Canada registered club may offer. It is also intended to introduce young skaters to all aspects of the sport. The Active Start Workshop is a great way to supplement the skating season, make friends and enhance your skating experience through a seminar format, and group environment.

 When:
 Sunday, December 22, 2013

 Where:
 PNE Agrodome – Vancouver

 Time:
 12:30 am to 5:00 pm

 Who:
 Star 1-4 skaters

 Cost:
 \$40.00 per skater

Our Program may include the following:

On Ice	On Ice	Off Ice	Parent Seminar
Jumps	Spins	Dryland Jump	TBA
Dance	Synchro	Synchro	

**Special Note**: Light refreshments will be provided skaters during the break. As there will be both on and office classes, participants will need skates, runners, and appropriate clothing for office classes.

Enrolment is Limited so please register early to avoid disappointment!

Registration Deadline: December 15, 2013

Register on line with CoastRegistry - Follow this link :

http://www.coastregistry.com/CREvents.aspx?HostClubID=99990001

For further information, please contact Lori Oxland @ 604-2985-7897 (home) or 604-831-0755 (cell) or skatingmom2@shaw.ca. Watch for further information on the BC Coast Region Website @ www.skatebccoast.com

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# BC Coast Region Presents 2014 Singles Seminar

# 2014 Singles Seminar

January 2, 2014 9 am - 6 pm

PNE Agrodome Vancouver

#### \$60.00

For further information contact Leah Warwick - warwick.lk@gmail.com The BC Coast Region Singles Seminar is for skaters currently skating in Star 5 through Novice/Gold levels. This seminar will focus on developing strong skating skills, the foundation of all singles skating, as well as understanding the importance of Grade of Execution (GOE).

#### Registration Deadline December 20,2013

Space is limited, register early to avoid disappointment.

# Register at CoastRegistry using the following link:

http://www.coastregistry.com/CREvents.aspx?HostClubID=99990001

# 2014 BC/YK SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS



OLIVIA GRAN

Juvenile Ladies U11

Champion

Kelowna SC



MICHELLE MAI

Juvenile Ladies U14

Champion

Burnaby SC



Juvenile Men's
Champion
Connaught SC



AJSHA GORMAN

Pre-Novice Ladies
Champion

Kelowna SC



BENJAM PAPP
Pre-Novice Men's
Champion
Coquitlam SC



VU

Pre-Novice Dance
Champions

Raquet Club of

Raquet Club of Victoria/Juan Du Fuca SC



TESSA JONES & MATTHEW DEN BOER

Pre-Novice Pairs Champions Raquet Club of Victoria

# 2014 BC/YK SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS

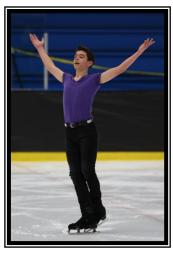


SARAH TAMURA

Novice Ladies

Champion

Burnaby SC



ALEXANDER LAWRENCE Novice Men's Champion

Vancouver SC



JULIANNE DELAURIER Junior Ladies Champion Kelowna SC



ERIL LIU

Junior Men's
Champion

Burnaby SC



Senior Ladies Champion Connaught SC



MITCHELL GORDON

Senior Men's

Champion

Connaught SC



# 2014 BC/YK SECTIONAL AWARDS

Junior/Senior Women's Musicality
The Edward S. Barton Memorial Award

Larissa Horobec

Cognitlam SC

Junior/Senior Men's Musicality
The Edward S. Barton Memorial Award
Shawn Cuevas
Connaught SC

The Vancouver Province Team Trophy
Burnaby SC

## 2014 BC/YK SECTIONAL AWARDS

Juvenile Women UII
Connie Patterson Award
Olivia Gran—Kelowna SC

Juvenile Women U14
Anderson Memorial Award
Michele Mai–Burnaby SC

Juvenile Men
Dr. Helmut May Award
Beres Clements—Connaught SC

<u>Pre-Novice Women</u> Okanagan Region Award & BC Coast Region Artistic Award **Ajsha Gorman– Kelowna SC** 

Pre-Novice Men

Kootenay Region Award & BC

Coast Region Artistic Award

Benjam Papp – Coquitlam SC

<u>Pre-Novice Dance</u> Audrey Moore Award Karlissa Lem and Le Vu– Racquet Club of Victoria

<u>Pre-Novice Pairs</u> Peter Sloman Award Tessa Jones & Mattehew denBoer Racquet Club of Victoria

<u>Novice Women</u> Vancouver Island Region Award **Sarah Tamura-Burnaby S**C Bev Porter Artistic Award Megan Yim- Kitsilano SC

#### Novice Men

Clifford & Doris Moore Memorial Award Bev Porter Artistic Award

> Alexander Lawrence— Vancouver SC

#### <u>Junior Women</u>

William E Lewis Award z Carol Skuta Artistic Award Julianne Delaurier – Kelowna SC

#### <u>Junior Men</u>

Burke Family Award & White Rock SC Artistic Award **Eric Liu-Burnaby SC** 

#### Senior Women

Arlene King Memorial Award & Kerrisdale SC Artistic Award Larkyn Austman – Connaught SC

#### Senior Men

Jean George Award & EPP Family Artistic Award Mitchell Gordon—Connaught SC



# 2013/2014 COMPETITIVE SUPER SERIES STANDINGS

#### **Juvenile Ladies U11**

- 1. Olivia Gran—Kelowna SC
- 2. Phoebe Yan—Connaught SC
- 3. Emily Bausback—Burnaby SC

#### **Juvenile Ladies U14**

- 1. Michelle Mai—Burnaby SC
- 2. Kayla Sullivan—Coquitlam SC
- 3. Olivia Bau—Sandy Shores SC

#### **Pre-Novice Ladies**

- 1. Ajsha Gorman—Kelowna SC
- 2. McKenna Colthorp—Kelowna SC
  - 3. Meiryla Findley—Burnaby SC

#### **Novice Ladies**

- 1. Megan Yim—Kitsilano SC
- 2. Sarah Tamura—Burnaby SC
- 3. Rachel Pettitt—Arctic Edge SC

#### **Junior Ladies**

- 1. Julianne Delaurier—Kelowna SC
  - 2. Kelsey Wong—Burnaby SC
- 3. Cailey England—Kelowna SC

#### Juvenile Men

- 1. Tyler Gunara—Burnaby SC
- 2. Beres Clements—Connaught SC
  - Cayden McKenzie-Cook— Coquitlam SC

#### **Pre-Novice Men**

- 1. Brian Le—Burnaby SC
- 2. Benjam Papp— Coquitlam SC
- 3. Oliver Astren—Port Coquitlam SC

#### **Novice Men**

- Alexander Lawrence—Vancouver SC
- 2. Kurtis Schrieber—Connaught SC
  - 3. Kelly Basisty—Kelowna SC

#### Junior Men

- 1. Eric Liu—Burnaby SC
- 2. Shawn Cuevas—Burnaby SC

#### **2013 INTERNATIONAL ASSIGNMENT RESULTS**



Madeline Edwards & Zhao Kai Pang-JGP Mexico- September 4-7, 2013- SILVER MEDAL

Nicole Orford & Thomas Williams—US Senior International- September 11-15, 2013- BRONZE MEDAL

Brianna Delmaestro & Timothy Lum—JGP Poland— September 18-21, 2013-5TH PLACE

Julianne Delaurier – JGP Poland – September 18-21, 2013 - 9TH PLACE

<u>Jessica Jiang & Tyler Miller</u> – JGP Belarus – September 25-28, 2013-13 PLACE

Jeremy Ten- Nebelhorn Trophy- September 25-28th, 2013- BRONZE MEDAL

Mitchell Gordon – JGP Czech Republic – October 2-5, 2013- 11TH PLACE

Kelsey Wong-JGP Czech Republic-October 2-5, 2013- 17YH PLACE

Madeline Edwards & Zhao Kai Pang-JGP Czech Republic-October 2-5, 2013-BRONZE MEDAL

<u>Danielle Wu & Spencer Soo</u>—JGP Czech Republic—October 2-5, 2013- 5TH PLACE

Larkyn Austman- JGP Estonia- October 9-13, 2013-8TH PLACE

Brianna Delmaestro & Timothy Lum- JGP Estonia- October 9-13, 2013- 5TH PLACE

<u>Liam Firus</u>- Cup of Nice- October 23-27, 2013- 6TH PLACE

Nicole Orford & Thomas Williams — Trophee Bompard — November 15-17, 2013 - 8TH PLACE

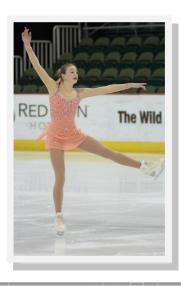


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MEGAN YIM

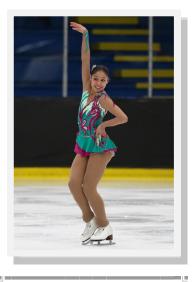
**Novice Ladies Champion** 



JULIANNE DELAURIER

Junior Ladies Silver

Medalist



KELSEY WONG

Junior Ladies Bronze

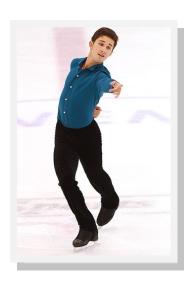
Medalist



DANIELLE WU & SPENCER SOO

Junior Dance Silver

Medalists



LIAM FIRUS Senior Men's Silver Medalist

# 2014 SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE CHAMPIONS & MEDALISTS



Novice Ladies Podium



Junior Dance Podium

Junior Ladies Podium



Senior Men's Podium

#### 2014 SKATE CANADA CHALLENGE RESULTS



#### **Pre Novice**

**Ladies:** Ajsha Gorman (4th), Kayla Smart (14th), McKenna Colthorp (16th), Elvie Carroll (26th)

**Men:** Benjam Papp (7th), Oliver Astren (11th), Brian Le (15th), Justine Hampole (27th)

**Dance:** Karlissa Lem/Le Vu (9th), Ravie Cunningham/ Cedar Bridgewood (19th), Julie Huynh/Liam Fawcett (20th)

**Pairs:** Tessa Jones/Matthew den Boer (5th), Sarah Kedves/Lucas Pallard (11th)

#### Novice

**Ladies:** Megan Yim (1st), Sarah Tamura (5th), Olivia Marleau (18th), Amanda Wright (27th)

**Men:** Alexander Lawrence (7th), Kurtis Schriber (10th), Kelly Basisty (14h), Austin Ma (20th)

Dance: Jazlyn Tabachniuk/Nicolas Wamsteeker (6th)

#### Junior

**Ladies;** Julianne Delaurier (2nd) Kelsey Wong (3rd), Belvina Mao (9th) Jayda Jurome (10th), Tilyna Pawer (30th), Dana Bobyn (33rd)

Men: Eric Liu (8th) Shawn Cuevas (15th),

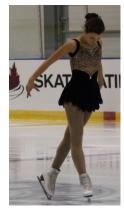
**Dance:** Danielle Wu/Spencer Soo (2nd), Brianna Delmaestro/Timothy Lum (4th), Alexa Linden/Eric Streichsbier (15)

#### Senior

**Ladies:** Larkyn Austman (8th), Nami Inoda (19th), Devon Neuls (25th), Larissa Horobec (27th), Amanda Hoffman (37th)

**Men:** Liam Firus (2nd), Jeremy Ten (4th) Mitchell Gordon (6th), Kurtis Hori (21st), Weijie Chen (25th)

## **MEMORIES FROM CHALLENGE**





























# Athletes Auction Notice

It is time to think of donations to be auctioned off for the benefit of the trust.

The Auction will beheld in conjunction with the BC/YK Section AGM starting

May 2nd, 2014.

All personal donations of \$100.00 or more will receive a receipt for income tax purposes.

We are very appreciative of all donations, unique gifts from your region are always a hit!

Thank you very much!

For inquiries regarding donations, please contact Diane Nielsen at dianev@telus.net.

# BC SKATERS QUALIFY FOR 2014 CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS—JANUARY 9-15, 2014



Ladies: Megan Yim, Sarah Tamura, Olivia Marleau

Men: Alexander Lawrence, Kurtis Schrieber, Kelly Basisty

Dance: Jazlyn Tabachniuk/Nicolas Wamsteeker

**JUNIOR** 

Ladies: Julianne Delaurier, Kelsey Wong, Belvina Mao, Jayda

Jurome

Men: Eric Liu, Shawn Cuevas

Dance: Danielle Wu/Spencer Soo, Brianna Delmaestro/

Timothy Lum, Alexa Linden/Eric Streichsbier

**SENIOR** 

Men: Kevin Reynolds, Jeremy Ten, Liam Firus, Mitchell

Gordon

Women: Larkyn Austman

Dance: Nicole Orford/Thomas Williams, Madeline Edwards/

Zhao Kai Pang

## **SUPERSERIES AUTUMN LEAVES**



Judges at Autumn Leaves



Danielle Williams and Margaret Warwick in the production area at Autumn Leaves



#### COACHES CORNER



# UPCOMING NCCP COURSE DATES

NCCP Instruction Beginner CanSkate Course

March 14-16th, 2014 Burnaby

NCCP Instruction Intermediate Primary STARSkate Course

> March 14-16th, 2014 Burnaby

**NCCP ISPC Components** 

June 6-10, 2014 Burnaby

**NCCP CanPower Course** 

June 21-22, 2014 Burnaby

**NCCP Instruction Beginner CanSkate Course** 

August 18-20, 2014 Burnaby

NCCP Level 3 Singles & General Subjects

August 18-21, 2014 Whistler

NCCP Instruction Intermediate Primary STARSkate Course

> September 5-7, 2014 Burnaby

Look for registration on www.skatinginbc.com starting January 6th, 2014



#### **GOLD FEET**



#### Halla Aitken

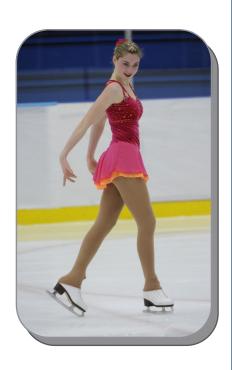
Halla Aitken completed her Gold Dances in November 2013. She previously passed her Gold Skills and Interpretive in March of 2012. She started skating at the age of 4, and is now 16 years old. Halla is a grade 11, homeschooled student. She skates with the Peace Passage Skating Club located in Taylor BC. She is currently working on her Sr. Silver level in Freeskate and is hoping to attain her gold level within the next year or so. Halla would like to thank all of her wonderful coaches for all their coaching and support. She would also like to thank her family and friends for encouraging her through the years.

#### **Shanelle Horobec**

Congratulations to Shanelle Horobec for becoming a Skate Canada quadruple Gold Medalist this past skating season. She passed her final gold tests: the Gold Dances in March 2012, and the Gold Skills in March 2013.

This past year, Shanelle also graduated from Douglas College from the Theatre Arts Program, and is currently working towards receiving a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Theatre and Dance. Shanelle currently coaches at the Primary StarSkate level, and is continually trying to upgrade her coaching skills for the future.

Shanelle would like to thank her coaches Zdenek Pazdirek, and Rob Woodley for their expertise and help towards the passing of these tests; and for mentoring her as a coach.



#### **GOLD FEET**



#### Larissa Horobec

Congratulations to Larissa Horobec for becoming a Skate Canada Triple Gold Medalist this past season, with the addition of passing two more gold tests: the Gold Interpretive test in March 2013, and the Gold Dances in May 2013.

She is a member of the Coquitlam Skating Club, and is currently a grade 11 student of the French Immersion program at Riverside Secondary School in Port Coquitlam.

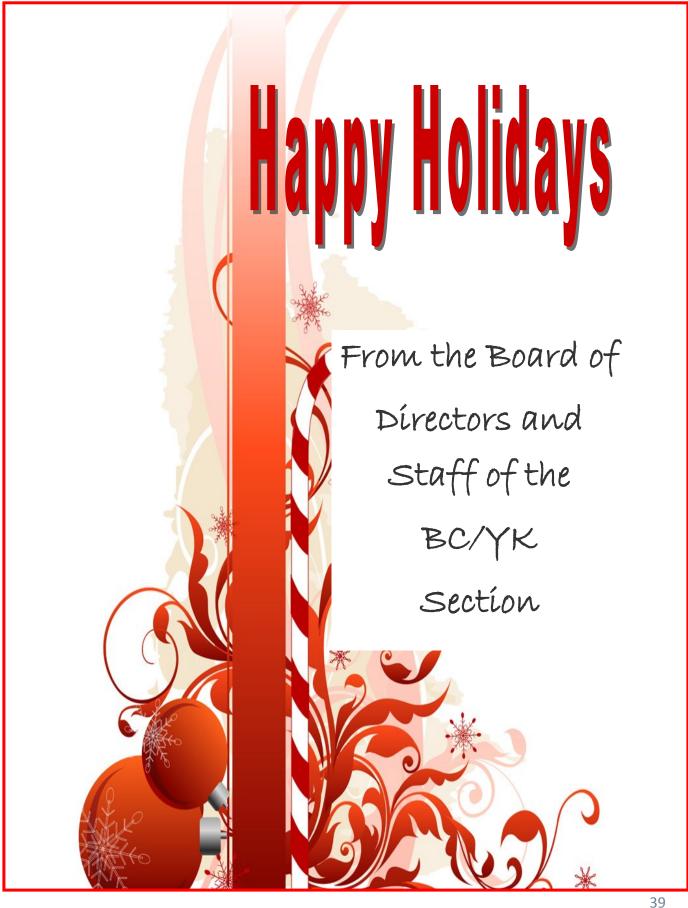
Larissa is excited to be representing the BC/YK Section in the Senior Women's event, at the 2014 Skate Canada Challenge, to be held in Regina this year. Larissa is also relieved to have completed all of her A.I.D.T. tap exams, and her Royal Academy of Dance ballet exams.



Larissa would like to thank her coaches Zdenek Pazdirek and Rob Woodley for their expertise and help towards the passing of these tests.

#### **Kirstyn Beech**

Presently 14 years of age Kirstyn has skated with the Fort St John Figure Skating Club since she first put skates on at the age of 3. She passed her Gold Skills in 2012 and has now in Nov 2013 completed the last of her Gold Dances as well. Keep up the good work.



#### **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/YK Section has approximately 19,000 skaters, 115 clubs, 430 coaches and 229 officials which we serve.

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