



In the Loop

GEORGETOWN SKATING CLUB
CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF SKATING EXCELLENCE

Winter 2009 Edition

President's Message

The Georgetown Skating Club celebrated 50 years of skating program and development to the community of Georgetown in 2008. It is through the dedication of many volunteers and our professional coaches that our club continues to be a very important part of healthy sport activity for youth.

This year we celebrate the 25th Anniversary of our learn-to-skate program ~ CanSkate has taught thousands of Canadian children the joy and basic skills of skating. Through the Skate Canada coaching certification program, our coaching staff have obtained the qualifications to teach to the standards

offered at sanctioned clubs throughout Canada. With only a helmet and a pair of skates, our children "can skate"!

We look forward to celebrating the success of our skaters at our upcoming 3rd GSC Annual Awards Banquet on Friday, April 24th. All skaters, families and friends are invited to join us for this wonderful evening!

Best wishes for success at skating, school and keeping healthy and active!

Happy skating!

Laura Rees, President
Georgetown Skating Club

50th Anniversary Year in Review

Welcome to a new year of skating at the Georgetown Skating Club. We have much to celebrate and appreciate our many accomplishments during our 50th Anniversary, and I would like to thank our volunteer Board Members, Professional Coaching staff, skaters and families that shared in the success of our club.

Last year was one of our most successful skating seasons and I would like to acknowledge all of the teamwork and highlight some of our accomplishments:

- 2nd Annual Skate-a-thon that raised \$3,000
- GSC Club Competition with special 50th Anniversary medals awarded
- 50th Anniversary Ice Show with interactive videos and skating to TV and movies from the past 50 years
- 2nd Annual GSC Awards Banquet that recognized our Honourary Members including long time volunteers Marg Garrison, Marilyn Johnson and Glenda Nixdorf as part of our foundation and club heritage - coincidentally during National volunteer week, as well as announcing our new 50th Anniversary Cup that recognizes the partnership with Skate Canada and is given to the athlete that embraces the "Spirit, Passion and Triumph" of skating
- GSC was recognized by Skate Canada - Central Ontario for their 50th Anniversary
- Coach Cindy McGilloway was recognized for 25 years of coaching at the Annual General Meeting in May 2008
- 5 athletes were recognized by the Town of Halton Hills for their Skate Canada test achievements and provincial and national championship accomplishments in synchronized skating including Laura Malatesta, Kaitlyn Ford, Haleigh Rees, Madison Kelly and Bethany Rees
- Hosted a special Athlete Coach Seminar with Christopher Mabee and Tugba Karadimar presented in partnership with the Ontario Trillium Foundation
- Co-hosted the 2008 Skates Alive competition ~ with rave reviews!
- Family Skate with donations to our local Georgetown Bread Basket - 60 pounds of food was collected and donated, and
- The Georgetown Skating Club 50th Anniversary featured on the Skate Canada website homepage ~ check out www.skatecanada.ca!

Wow ~ what a year and there was much more with our Ontario Trillium Foundation grant, the involvement of our Program Assistants, the tremendous sponsorship success and partnership with our community, the outstanding performances of our skaters at competitions and STARSkate Challenge, our first Sectional skater in over 15 years, our gold test skaters, and the success at both our low and high tests!

A special thank you to all of our Professional Coaching staff for the partnership, growth and development of all of our skaters! Quite a year to celebrate!

Spring Skating

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The Georgetown Skating Club is in the process of finalizing Spring Skating for our members that will include skating development between April and August. Please speak with your coach to obtain an update and further information on the Spring Skating program

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IMPORTANT NOTICES

LAST LESSONS

Powerskate: Monday March 23th
PreCanSkate, Canskate
and Parents and Tot:
Monday Lessons: March 9th
Wednesday Lessons: March 11th
Saturday Lessons: March 21st
(No lessons from March 13 to 20th)

MARCH BREAK

There will be no lessons from March 13th to March 20st

TEST DAYS

Low Test
Friday, April 3, 2009
High Test
Monday March 2, 2009-Georgetown

MEMORIAL ARENA

There will be no arena changes for the remainder of the year.

STARSKATE

STARSkate times change after March Break!
All STARSkate sessions will change their times slightly after the March Break. Please check the website and the bulletin board for new times.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Awards Banquet will be held on Friday, April 24, 2009

High Test Day Results

Congratulations to the following members for their success at High Test Day

November 20, 2008
Acton Skating Club
Sr. Silver Dances - Blues
Haleigh Rees

Milton Skating Club
January 29, 2009
Jr. Silver Skills
Madeline Commisso
Sr. Silver Skills
Haleigh Rees

Special Thanks

For all the support from Karen Syme of Skate Canada - Central Ontario and Stephen Norris and staff at Mold-Masters SportsPlex for all that you do to support our club and members!

Fundraising

Did you know that if you dine out at La Vita or Boston Pizza that you can help our club at the same time? Just write Georgetown Skating Club on the back of your receipt for us to automatically get 10% as a donation. If your getting your car serviced Jiffy Lube will also donate 10% to our club! Let's support these local businesses.

Call for New Board Members:

Please consider volunteering your time to help your club. Our club is run 100% by volunteers and everyone is welcome to become a board member. Elections are in May and we need volunteers. Unsure what is involved? If you would like more information, don't hesitate to email us at info@georgetown-skatingclub.ca.

COACH'S TIP OF THE MONTH Competitive Words of Wisdom

Competition is just like an everyday run-through of your solo, interpretive or solo dance without other skaters getting in your way. You have the ice to yourself and you don't have to worry about obstacles. That is why it is so important to make EVERY practice count!

Remember to try to relax before a competition, try listening to some relaxing music, sitting by yourself and visualizing your program and warming up. Competitions are not only about performing, but its also supposed to be fun!

GSC Competition a Success

Thank you to all the Skaters and volunteers to participated in the Club Competition held on February 14th. Our Skaters did an excellent job of showing their best effort and the fun atmosphere and mutual support given showed heart of our club. Congratulation to all the winners and a big thank you to all who participated.



Low Test Day Results

Congratulations to the following members for their success at Low Test Day

January 16, 2009
Georgetown Skating Club

Baby Blues
Claire Allen, Sarah Laurysson
Canasta Tango
Paige Allen, Hannah Borotsik
Megan Prought
Dutch Waltz
Emma Ayers, Helene Carle,
Tracey Elasmarr, Emily Robertson
Swing
Britney Bates, Julia Cabral
Teana Grazeani, Monica Laurysson
Sarah Laurysson, Racheal Logan
Rachel Thomson, Emma Williams
Fiesta Tango
Briana Basha, Racheal Logan
Natalie Pundsack, Cassie Smith
Willow Waltz
Cameron Commisso
Rachel Laurysson
Ten Fox
Amanda Cousins, Alex Prong
Samantha Yalowica
Fourteenstep
Jackie Johnson, Hayley Lambert
Holly McNeil, Alex Prong
Samantha Yalowica
European Waltz
Madeline Commisso, Alley Parker
Preliminary Free Part One
Brianna Capatasgno, Cameron Commisso,
Anotnia Pancevski
Preliminary Free Part Two
Haley Lambert
Preliminary Skills
Julia Cabral
Preliminary Solo part 2
Kirsten Childs
Preliminary Elements
Amanda Cousins
Preliminary Skills
Natashia Gushue, Jade Martin
Senior Bronze Skills
Alley Parker
Sr Bronze Free Part 1
Haleigh Rees
Sr Bronze free part 2
Madeline Commisso
Sr Bronze Solo Part 1
Caitie Mollenhauer

Upcoming Competitions

Please check the Club bulletin board or our website for more details on upcoming competitions for this season.

COMPETITION RESULTS

Keswick Invitational Skate
Georgina Ice Palace - Keswick
November 22-23, 2008

Pre-Preliminary A	Brittany Bates	1st
Pre-Preliminary B	Alexie Warner	5th
	Antonia Pancevski	6th
	Cameron Commisso	8th
	Alexandria McPhail	9th
Sr Bronze	Madeliene Commisso	4th
Pre-Preliminary Starskate	Haley Lambert	5th
	Alex Prong	7th
Introductory B	Rachel Thomsen	2nd

John McKay Memorial Invitational
Tillsonburg
November 29-30, 2008

Pre-Preliminary A	Brittany Bates	1st
	Casey Smith	2nd
Pre-Preliminary B	Rachel Thomsen	4th
	Cameron Commisso	9th
Pre-Preliminary Starskate	Alex Prong	9th
Pre-Preliminary Starskate	Haley Lambert	7th
Preliminary A Freeskate	Holly McNeil	3rd

Charles Dover Memorial Invitational
Grimsby
January 2009

Pre-Preliminary A	Brittany Bates	1st
	Casey Smith	4th
Pre-Preliminary B	Cameron Commisso	5th
	Rachel Thomsen	5th
	Antonia Pancevski	6th
Sr Bronze	Madeliene 8th	
Pre-Preliminary Starskate	Haley Lambert	5th
	Alex Prong	6th

Board of Directors

Executive Board Members:

Laura Rees, President
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COMPETITION RESULTS

Skates Alive Georgetown Skating Club December 13-14th, 2008

Canskate Elements

Orange

Grace Ayers 1st

Blue

Chandra Servos 2nd

Catherine Carle 7th

Julianna Miller 8th

Marilena Escoto 9th

Purple

Jennifer Fone 1st

Green

Emma DeVries 5th

Sarah Basha 7th

Jaidyn McFadden 9th

Bumblebees

Princess on Picks 3rd

(Chandra Servos, Julianna Miller)

Rainbows

Blue Belles 2nd

(Sarah Basha, Jaidyn McFadden,

Brooke-lynn Cashera)

Intro A Free Skate

Cassandra Smith 3rd

Claire Allen 3rd

Helene Carle 4th

Katie Abrams 4th

Hannah Borotsik 6th

Megan Praught 6th

Corrina Servos 6th

Jessica Stables 6th

Paige Allen 9th

Kristine Ienciu 9th

Intro B Free Skate

Rachel Thomsen 1st

Pre-Preliminary Solo Dance

Emma Ayers 4th

Emily Robertson 7th

Helene Carle 5th

Jessica Stables 7th

Pre-Preliminary Ice Dance

Emma Ayers/ Emily Robertson 4th

Pre-Preliminary A Free Skate

Brittany Bates 1st

Teana Graziani 3rd

Danielle Scanferla 3rd

Natashia Gushue 5th

Jade Martin 6th

Caroline Holicks 9th

Rachel Logan 9th

Pre-Preliminary B Free Skate

Cameron Comisso 2nd

Alexi Warner 2nd

Alexandra McPhail 3rd

Sarah Young 3rd

Brianna Capostagno 4th

Antonia Pancevski 6th

Jackie Johnson 6th

Natalie Pundsack 7th

Emma Williams 8th

Brianna Basha 9th

Pre-Preliminary Elements

Girls in Black 4th

(Natashia Gushue, Teana Graziani)

Bedazzle Girls 6th

(Brianna Basha, Emma Williams,

Danielle Scanferla)

Fancy Feet 6th

(Katie Abrams, Kristine Ienciu)

Night Sky 7th

(Emma Ayers, Megan Praught, Emily

Robertson)

Pre-Preliminary Starskate

Alex Prong 6th

Haley Lambert 7th

Samantha Yalowica 7th

Preliminary Solo Dance

Jade Martin 4th

Rachel Logan 6th

Preliminary A Free Skate

Alexandra Parker 1st

Holly McNeil 2nd

Preliminary B Free Skate

Josee Furness 4th

Junior Bronze A Free Skate

Caitlyn Mollenhauer 3rd

Introductory Interpretive

Holly McNeil 2nd

Junior Bronze Solo Dance

Sarah Young 2nd

Holly McNeil 5th

Jackie Johnson 5th

Pre-Preliminary 1 Elements

Spunky Monkeys 3rd

(Brittany Bates, Alexandra McPhail,

Rachel Thomsen)

Pre-Preliminary 11 Elements

Firecrackers 3rd

(Haley Lambert, Samantha Yalowica,

Alex Prong)

Preliminary Elements

Razzle Dazzle 2nd

(Josee Furness, Holly McNeil)

Sr. Bronze Starskate

Madeline Comisso 5th



GSC Club Competition Georgetown Skating Club February 14th, 2009

Introductory A Freeskate

1st Claire Allen, 2nd Jessica Stables,

3rd Hannah Borotsik, 4th Katie

Abrams, 5th Meghan Praught, 6th

Kristine Ienciu

Pre-Preliminary A Freeskate

1st Teana Graziani, 2nd Jade Martin,

3rd Rachel Logan, 3rd Danielle

Scanferla, 5th Helene Carle, 6th Julia

Cabral

Pre-Preliminary B Freeskate Grp 1

1st Brittany Bates, 2nd Rachel

Thomsen, 3rd Cameron Comisso,

4th Alexandria McPhail, 5th Emma

Williams, 6th Natashia Gushue, 7th

Natalie Pundsack

Pre-Preliminary B Freeskate Grp 2

1st Brianna Capostagno, 2nd Kirsten

Childs, 3rd Brianna Basha, 4th

Samantha Mortimer, 5th Rachel

Laurysen, 5th Amanda Cousins

Pre-Preliminary Starskate Freeskate

1st Antonia Pancevski, 2nd Alexandria

Prong, 3rd Samantha Yalowica, 4th

Alexie Warner

Preliminary A Freeskate

1st Holly McNeil, 2nd Alley Parker, 3rd

Haley Lambert, 4th Sarah Young

Junior Bronze A Freeskate

1st Haleigh Rees, 2nd Caitie

Mollenhauer, 3rd Rebecca Rock and

4th Josee Furness

Talent ID- Canskate Stage 4

1st Kayla Channer, 2nd Camryn

Woods, 3rd Catherine Carle, 4th Amy

Farrell, 5th Marilena Escoto

Talent ID- Canskate Stage 6

1st Caroline Pundsack, 2nd Jaidyn

McFadden, 3rd Emma DeVries, 4th

Brooke-Lynne Caschera

ELEMENTS

Elements 1A

1st Jade Martin, 2nd Meghan Praught,

3rd Hannah Borotsik, 4th Emma Ayers,

5th Sarah Basha, 6 Rachel Logan, 7th

Kristine Ienciu

Elements 1B

1st Rachel Thomsen, 2nd Natashia

Gushue, 3rd Helene Carle, 4th Teana

Graziani

Elements 2A

1st Brittany Bates, 2nd Alexandria

McPhail, 3rd Samantha Mortimer, 4th

Emma Williams, 5th Brianna Basha,

6th Amanda Cousins, 7th Danielle

Scanferla, 8th Rachel Laurysen

Elements 2B

1st Antonia Pancevski, 2nd Alexie

Warner, 3rd Cameron Comisso, 4th

Brianna Capostagno, 5th Natalie

Pundsack

Elements 3A

1st Holly McNeil, 2nd Haley Lambert,

3rd Alexandra Prong, 4th Alley Parker,

5th Samantha Yalowica, 6th Jackie

Johnson

Elements 3 B

1st Josee Furness, 2nd Rebecca Rock

SKILLS

Pre-Preliminary -1st Natashia

Gushue, 2nd Meghan Praught, 3rd

Benjamin Conrad

Preliminary Skills -1st Antonia

Pancevski, 2nd Kirsten Childs, 3rd

Alexie Warner, 4th Cameron

Comisso, 5th Alexandria McPhail,

6th Brittany Bates.

Junior Bronze Skills -1st Holly

McNeil, 2nd Alexandra Prong, 3rd

Haley Lambert, 4th Jackie Johnson

CANSKATE ELEMENTS

Men -1st Logan Darby, 1st Robert

Parker, 1st Sam Prong

Stage 4 -1st Amy Farrell, 2nd Marilena

Escoto, 3rd Camryn Woods

Stage 5 -1st Jennifer Fone

Stage 6 - 1st Brooke-Lynne Caschera,

2nd Jaidyn McFadden, 3rd Emma

DeVries, 4th Caroline Pundsack

SOLO DANCE

Pre-Preliminary -1st Helene Carle,

2nd Meghan Praught, 3rd Benjamin

Conrad, 4th Paige Allen, 5th Tracey

Elasmar

Preliminary -1st Antonia Pancevski,

2nd Natashia Gushue, 3rd Rachel

Logan, 4th Cameron Comisso

Junior Bronze -1st Holly McNeil, 2nd

Sarah Young, 3rd Jackie Johnson, 4th

Haley Lambert, 5th Amanda Cousins,

6th Alexandria McPhail, 7th Alexandra

Prong, 8th Brianna Capostagno, 9th

Samantha Yalowica

CREATE-A-SOLO

Starskate 11st Claire Allen, 2nd

Rachel Logan, 3rd Rachel Thomsen,

4th Emma Ayers, 5th Hannah Borotsik,

6th Meghan Praught

Starskate 2 -1st Alexandria McPhail,

2nd Cameron Comisso, 3rd Antonia

Pancevski, 4th Alexie Warner, 5th

Brianna Basha

Starskate 3 -1st Holly McNeil, 2nd

Rebecca Rock, 3rd Samantha Yalowica