



LONDON SKATING CLUB

Learn for Fun. Live to Skate. Skate for Life.

A Skate Canada member club since 1907.



Lets skate and communicate

Message from the President

Now that the season is officially underway, we are making plans for our holiday pop concert. This is an opportunity for all members of the London Skating Club community to come together and support the efforts and learning of our skaters. We will have performances from all levels from CanSkate to AdultSkate, as well as our synchronized skating teams and CanPower. It is a great opportunity for our newer members to see what the London Skating Club has to offer their family!!!

Part of our pop concert is a silent auction in support of Muscular Dystrophy and Jesse's Journey. If you are interested in donating to the silent auction, please call Kelly in the London Skating Club office. We will also be collecting food for the London Food Bank at the door.

So please come out on December 18 to support our skaters and celebrate the holiday season with us!!

Michelle Parker
President

News from the office...

Submitted by Kelly Farmer

No Skate Dates/Holiday Cancellations:

Keep an eye out during December and January for 'No Skate Dates', due to holidays and hockey tournaments. There are some sessions that have no skating.

The full list of cancellations is available on our website at www.londonskatingclub.com under 'No Skate Dates'.

The office will send out reminders as well, but it's a good idea for early planning by checking this information on the website.

Thank you:

Thank you to all skaters, parents, coaches, board members, friends and families that volunteered for the Jaycee's Santa Claus & Hyde Park Parades. It was a blast!

Want to earn credits to help to pay for skating:

The London Skating Club is in need of Program Assistants to assist on the Wednesday, 5:15-6:05 & Saturday CanSkate session at Nichols that runs from 9:15-10:05 am each week. Program Assistants will earn credits anywhere from \$4.00-\$10.00 per hour based on age that can be used towards future skating fees at the London Skating Club. Skaters must be a minimum of 8 years and up who have completed a minimum of Stage 5 and up who are interested in helping, please contact Kelly Farmer at the office at info@londonskatingclub.com. Adult program assistants are welcome too!

Program Assistants Holiday Party:

Current program assistants (PA's) at the London Skating Club are invited to attend an Appreciation Night on Tuesday, December 29th. If PA's are interested in hearing more about this Appreciation Night, please contact the office at info@londonskatingclub.com. Don't miss out on the free fun that will be going on and a big "Thank you" from all of us! More info to follow.

2016 Ontario Skaters' Promotional Contest Booklet:

The London Skating Club thanks you for your patience while waiting to receive purchased ticket booklets.

We are currently working to ensure all members that purchased the booklets on their invoices have received them.

Just a reminder that only ticket stubs are needed back to the CanSkate table or London Skating Club Office located at Nichols Arena by February 1, 2016.



Congratulations to the following skaters that have achieved CanSkate Ribbons/Badges since our last newsletter:

Meela Ahmadzai – Stage 6 Balance
Abdulrahman Alghamdi – Stage 1 Balance, Agility, Control
Hassan Alghamdi – Stage 1 Balance, Agility, Control
Myai Annett – Stage 1 Agility, Control
Marilyn Bebee – Stage 1 Agility. Stage 1 Badge completed
Carly Collins – Stage 2 Balance, Control
Rachel Caron – Pre-CanSkate ribbon. Stage 1, Balance, Agility, Control
Annica Chen – Stage 4 Balance. Stage 4 Badge completed
Cristina Couto – Stage 2 Agility
Hudson Cromwell – Pre-CanSkate ribbon
Liam Duench – Stage 4 Balance
Ruby Fenton – Stage 5 Balance, Control. Stage 5 Badge completed
Joshua Finemore – Stage 4 Agility, Control. Stage 4 completed
Jeremy Fish – Stage 1 Control, Balance
Amelia Flower – Stage 2 Control. Stage 2 completed
Mikalea Flower – Stage 2 Ability, Control. Stage 2 Badge completed
Rocco Foresi – PreCanSkate ribbon
Rachel Grawey – Control 5
Serena Haines – Stage 1 Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 1 Badge completed
Rachel Jin – Stage 1 Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 1 Badge completed
Ella Jonas – Stage 1 Balance, Control. Stage 2 Balance, Control
Gianna Jung – Stage 3 Agility, Balance
Avery King – Stage 2 Agility, Balance

Rachel Laing – Stage 1 & 2, Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 1 & 2 Badges completed
 Emma Lee – Stage 1,2,3 Balance. Stage 1,2,3 Agility. Stage 1,2 Control Stage 1 & 2 Badges completed
 Madylin Lumley – Stage 4 Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 4 Badge completed & Stage 5 Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 5 Badge completed
 Antony Mao – Stage 1 Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 1 Badge completed
 Ahyan Mahruz – Pre-CanSkate ribbon
 Paige Manning – Stage 1, Control
 Noah Marcellus – Stage 1, Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 1 Badge completed
 Kayla Morris – Stage 1, Agility, Balance
 Charlotte Morton – Stage 1, Agility, Balance, Control. Stage 1 Badge completed
 Emily Murray – Pre-CanSkate ribbon. Stage 1 Balance, Control, Agility. Stage 1 Badge completed
 Olivia Palmer – Stage 1, Balance
 Samantha Payne – Stage 1,2,3 Balance. Stage 1,2 Agility. Stage 1, 2 Control. Stage 1&2 Badges completed
 Nolan Peski – Pre-CanSkate ribbon
 Alivia Peterson – Stage 1, Balance
 Alexander Pilipenko – Stage 1, Balance
 Elena Pilipenko – Stage 1, Balance
 Arita Rakhshanda – Pre-CanSkate ribbon
 Nesya Rickesha – Stage 4, Control
 Hailey Ross – Pre-CanSkate ribbon
 Betty Rounds – Stage 1, Balance
 Nancy Rounds – Pre-CanSkate ribbon
 Isla St. John – Stage 1,2,3,4, 5, Agility. Stage 1,2,3,4, Balance Stage 1,2,3,4, Control, Stage 5, Agility – Stage 1,2,3,4 Badges completed
 Mya Sheardown – Stage 4, Balance, Control, Agility. Stage 4 Badge completed
 Ali Soufan - Stage 1, Balance, Agility, Control 1. Stage 1 Badge completed. Stage 2, Agility
 Sofia Soufan – Stage 2, Control, Agility, Balance. Stage 2 Badge completed. Stage 3, Balance, Agility Control. Stage 3 Badge completed
 Addison Tracey – Stage 1, Balance, Agility, Control. Stage 1 Badge completed.
 Hannah Twells – Stage 3, Balance
 Sumedh Reddy Vadhi – Pre-CanSkate ribbon
 Brynlee Woods – Stage 1, Balance, Control
 Nathaniel Workman - Pre-CanSkate ribbon & Stage 1, Balance, Agility



ONLY THE BEST
 can bring out their best



Fall 2015 Test Results

Congratulations to all skaters who passed tests this fall at the London Skating Club's Test Day.

A special congratulations is extended to Kylie Smale who completed her Skate Canada Gold Freeskate Program and to Nicole Courtney who completed her Gold Skills at the October 29, 2015 Fall Test Day.

PRELIMINARY

DUTCH WALTZ – LYDIA ZADORSKY

CANASTA TANGO– SYDNEY PLANK, SIMON CHADWICK, TAYLOR VANDERNIEUWENHUIZEN, TODD WIECZOREK, CHRIS GUERRA, CHITRA SREEKUMAR

JUNIOR BRONZE

SWING – TINA KIM

FIESTA TANGO – AVERY COX, VITALIA, KIREEV, ADRIANNA JAMES PARKER, LOUISE PARKER,

WILLOW WALTZ – BRENDA ZAWADZKI

SENIOR BRONZE

TEN FOX – MARY TENNANT

FOURTEENSTEP – GENEVA HEROLD, ZOE ESPANOL

JUNIOR SILVER

KEATS – CHARLIE ANDERSON

GOLD

ARGENTINA TANGO – VANESSA TRAN

QUICKSTEP – MADDISON CHUTE

FREESKATE – PROGRAM

PRELIMINARY – GENEVA HEROLD

GOLD – KYLIE SMALE

SKILLS

SR. BRONZE – ALYSSA PALLOCK

JR. SILVER – SARAH SEMCHISM

GOLD – NICOLE COURTNEY

THE NEXT TEST DAY IS Thursday December 10th

Upcoming test days

- Thursday Dec 10, 2015: 5:15-9:05 pm
- Thursday Jan 28, 2016: 5:15-9:05pm
- Wednesday Mar 23, 2016: 5:15-9:05 pm
Thursday Mar 24, 2016: 5:15-9:05 pm

Competition Results

Sectionals

The results were as follows:

McKenna Spitzer Pre-Juvenile Women	Flight 2 U11 Result 5th
Ella Demille-PreJuvenile Women	Flight 2 U11 Result 3rd
Patricia Andrew Pre-Juvenile Women	Flight 1 U11 Result 1st
Taite Hulet-Gatt Pre-Juvenile Women	Flight 1 U11 Result 2nd
Nicole Galo-PreJuvenile Women	Flight 1 U11 Result 4th
Kylie Smale-Pre-Novice Women	Result 25th
Devyn Sutherlan-Pre-Novice Women	Result 38th
Nicolas Eveland Pre-Novice Men	Result 7th
Evelyn Walsh-Novice Women	Result 3rd
Mariah McCaw-Junior Women	Result 5th

Evelyn Walsh will be moving on to Skate Canada Challenge in Edmonton Dec 2nd-6th.



Holiday Pop Concert Skating Show, Silent Auction & Family Skate:

We hope to see members performing in the December 18th, Holiday Pop Concert skating Show, Silent Auction and Family Skate at Nichols Arena. Donations for the Silent Auction are still needed. If you can donate, please contact Kelly Farmer at the office: info@londonskatingclub.com



LONDON SKATING CLUB PRESENTS

in loving memory of Mary Burdon,
in support of "Mitchell's Jar of Hope"

Holiday Pop Concert Ice Show,
Silent Auction
& Family Skate

Friday December 18th, 2015

Earl Nichols Arena 'A' Pad
799 Homeview Rd, London




Showtime 6:00 pm
Family skate to follow



Admission by donation or bring a non-perishable
food item for the London Food Bank.

Silent Auction throughout the show, with proceeds to support Jesse's Journey,
Muscular Dystrophy Canada – London Chapter, and the London Skating Club.



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The London Skating Club is holding its Holiday Pop Concert, Silent Auction and Family Skate in December which will showcase its skating talents to the London Community, with proceeds of the event going to support skaters at the London Skating Club, as well as to "Mitchell's Jar of Hope", in support of Muscular Dystrophy research through Jesse's Journey & the London & Region Chapter of Muscular Dystrophy Canada.

This year the London Skating Club is proud to present its "Holiday Pop Concert" in memory of Mary Burdon on Friday, December 18, 2015@ 6:00 pm, at Earl Nichols Arena, "A" Pad, which is located at 799 Homeview Rd, in London. Mary was a volunteer of the Club for over 62 years before her passing earlier in the year.

The club is looking for sponsors for this event as well as auction items and have listed various levels of ways to get involved. We hope you can help us out! If we are able to secure enough sponsors to cover the event costs, our plan is to donate 100% to the London Food Bank in the form of canned food/non perishable food items as entrance into the show.

Silent Auction Donation:

Your name/company name will be published in the program

Friends of the London Skating Club:

\$25.00-\$99.99 – your name/company name will be published in the program

Bronze Level - \$100.00-\$249.99:

Business card size ad in the program, mention of sponsorship in the London Skating Club newsletter

Silver Level - \$250.00-\$399.99:

¼ page ad in the program, mention of sponsorship in the London Skating Club newsletter, 2 tickets to the show

Gold Level - \$400.00-\$799.99:

½ page ad in the program, mention of sponsorship in the London Skating Club newsletter, 4 tickets to the show, website thank you, signage at the show, regular thank you announcements throughout the show

Platinum Level - \$800.00+:

Show presenter on all promotional material, programs, tickets, press releases, full page ad, mention of sponsorship in the London Skating Club newsletters, 6 tickets to the show, website thank you, signage at the show, regular thank you announcements throughout the show.

If you are interested or know someone who is, contact me at the office for more information and sponsor letters/forms: info@londonskatingclub.com or 519-681-2640

Kelly Farmer, Administrative & Promotions Coordinator or Stephen Komarnicky, Fundraising Chair

London Skating Club – Show Sponsor Form

“Holiday Pop Concert”

Friday, Decemeber 18, 2015

Showtime: 6:00 pm – Earl Nichols Arena “A” Pad

Name as you would like it printed in the program:

Example: family name (Smith family), first/last name (Shelley Smith), business name (The London Skating Club)

Sponsorship Level (please circle):

Silent Auction Item

Friends of the London Skating Club Level

Bronze Level

Silver Level

Gold Level

Platinum

Name of your skater and session they skate on and time?

Your name/e mail/phone:

Cheques are to be made payable to “London Skating Club”.

Cash/cheques can be dropped off at the London Skating Club Office, located at Earl Nichols Arena, down the hall near “A” pad-sign on door, or mailed to: London Skating Club, PO Box, 9011, Sub Stn 40, London, ON, N6E 1V0. Arrangements can be made to pick up payments as well if that serves you better.

Donations or sponsors are still welcome after this deadline, however; a guarantee of having the information printed in the program may not be possible.

Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum Level Sponsors, artwork should be e-mailed to:
info@londonskatingclub.com ASAP.



Coaches Corner

Welcome to our first edition of Coaches Corner. This is the part of the newsletter where coaches share their insight and expert knowledge to better help you and your skater achieve all your skating goals.

First stop: Skate Maintenance.

Skaters rely heavily on their equipment to be successful on the ice. Make sure skates are sharp and free of nicks and imperfections to allow for good gliding and stopping. Skate blades must be dried after skating and stored in a dry place to make sure that blades do not rust. Make sure to remove skates from the bag to allow them to fully dry between skating sessions.

For skaters who are testing and competing the look of skates is also important. Skate tape or polish can be purchased at your local skate shop and skaters are encouraged to touch up their skates prior to testing or competition. Make sure that laces are in good condition and are not frayed. Having an extra set of laces in your skate bag is always a good idea in case a skate lace breaks.

Mary Burdon Bursary Fund

As some of you may know, Mary Burdon was a 62 year volunteer at the club as well as a Judge and Administrator for the Western Ontario Section of Skate Canada until her passing earlier this year. As part of Mary's wishes combined with some additional donations from family and friends, a bursary fund has been established in her name. Details are yet to be finalized, but the fund will help others in WOS who wish to get involved in the administration or Judging of skating at the section level. Also, a scholarship fund has been established to help post-secondary students. Details of the scholarship can be found on the LSC website at <http://www.londonskatingclub.com/pages/Members-Info/Awards-and-Bursaries/>. Details about the administration will be announced once it is finalized. If you wish to contribute to the fund, cheques can be sent to the London Skating Club, P.O. Box 9011, Sub Stn 40, London Ontario, ON, N6E 1V0 payable to London Skating Club and note that it is for the Mary Burdon Bursary.

COMPETITION FEB 5TH, 6TH , 7th VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: DENNIS SILVERTHORNE MEMORIAL INVITATIONAL

The London Skating Club is responsible for staffing the skater registration table and the music table at the Dennis Silverthorne Memorial Invitational Competition at the Timken Arena in St. Thomas on Feb 5,6,7th and we need your help to do this.

Two mature volunteers are required for a 5 hour shift to sign in skaters at the registration table. Three volunteers are needed to sign skater's music in and out at the music table. Volunteers will receive a \$5.00/hr credit towards their child's skating. Food will be provided to volunteers during their shift. Please dress warmly. This is a great way to meet other London Skating Club parents & learn more about the sport. No experience necessary.

Don't miss this opportunity to be part of our great organization.

If you are interested in participating in this volunteer opportunity, please register for a shift as soon as possible.

***Five volunteers needed for each shift*, as follows:**

- Friday Feb 5th: 12:00pm-5:00pm, 5:00pm-10:00pm
- Saturday Feb 6th: 7:00am-12:00pm, 12:00pm-5:00pm, 5:00pm-10:00pm
- Sunday Feb 7th: 7:00am-12:00pm, 12:00pm-5:00pm

PLEASE NOTE TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE TIL CLOSER TO THE DATE!!

Any questions about this volunteer opportunity should be directed to LSC Volunteer Coordinator, Shannine, at shanninem@hotmail.com

London Skating Club Clothing & Skate Rack

Stop by and check it out! Our rack has many used dresses for sale, including competition and practice attire for awesome prices!

If you have something you want to sell bring it in with your name, phone number & amount you are requesting for your item & we can add it to the rack. If you have dropped something off in the previous years, please check to see if it has sold. We are trying to get some new items to add to the rack and clean up the inventory. Please forward any questions regarding items you would like to sell or to check on items you have previously put on the rack to shanninem@hotmail.com. Thank you!!

History Column – Submitted by Stephen Komarnicky

For more about the Club's history, visit our website at <http://www.londonskatingclub.com/pages/Club-History/>

Library Vignette research by Glen Curnoe, London Room



The Winter Gardens shown in this 1927 photograph was situated on the site of today's Central Library. It was built in 1882 as the Princess Rink, a natural ice palace, and became a social and recreational centre for concerts, political meetings, dances and sports. During the Big Band Era, such notables as Guy Lombardo and Louis Armstrong played here. The building was torn down in 1937, and the present Elsie Perrin Williams Memorial Building was opened in 1940.

THE LONDON SKATING CLUB
SKATED IN THIS RINK FROM
1914 - 1916

London Skating Club features the following programs with top level professional Skate Canada certified coaches:

- Learn to Skate
- Power Skating
- Preliminary Skating
- STARSkate and Select Skating
- Synchronized Skating
- Adult Skating

Invitation to Adults 17+ to skate during our Adult sessions. A guest fee of \$25 for a full session plus a one time Skate Canada fee.

The Spring and Summer programs are already under development. News about the programs will be released in the new year and registrations will begin with early registration for the Spring Learn to Skate in late January. If you or your child would enjoy ice skating, we invite you to visit our webpage at www.londonskatingclub.com or to call the office at 519-681-2640.

And remember, we also offer a refer-a-friend program, details of which can be found at <http://www.londonskatingclub.com/pages/Members-Info/Refer-a-Friend/>.

Help us spread the word about the London Skating Club's many programs



Refer a friend to join the London Skating Club. For every NEW registration in an LSC program, the referring member will be issued a \$10 credit voucher * to be used toward new session registrations.

* Credit voucher will have no cash value, be non transferrable, and will expire after 1 year. The new member registration must put the referring members name forward at the time of registration

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Thank you to everyone who
submitted to the
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