

Coastal Edge



Fall & Winter 2016

Volunteers are valuable to our sport. Many things run by Skate Canada NS and your local Clubs are run completely by volunteers. Did you know you do not need knowledge of figure skating to volunteer your time?? Skate Canada NS and Clubs can benefit from volunteers with a variety of backgrounds. People with specialties in accounting or computer knowledge can provide excellent assistance to the skating community. Please consider volunteering some of your time with Skate Canada NS or your local Club. Many hands make light work and in the end it is the skaters, our future generation that benefit.

2016 / 2017 Sectional Championships

	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE
Pre Juvenile Ladies U11	Cate McKee	Brooke Pennington	Myah Cocoa Ewing
Pre Juvenile Men U11	Max D'Arcy	Jacob Cote	Cameron Phillip Boutilier
Pre Juvenile Ladies U13	Bonny Langille	Ella Bezanson	Jailyn Elliott
Juvenile Ladies U12	Madison Chiasson	Brooke Johnson	Lilly MacInnis
Juvenile Ladies U14	Megan Matlock	Faith Kennedy	Sarah Higdon
Pre Novice Ladies	Alyssa Cross	Sophie Tanner	Kayla Deveau
Novice Ladies	Jillian Matlock	Meghan Hamilton	Jessie MacIntosh
Junior Ladies	Emma Dinda	Julia Woollcombe	Amy Hartling

Additionally, the 2 annual awards given out each year at Sectionals were awarded to –

Francis Glenwright Award – Myah Cocoa Ewing
Jan Clattenburg Award – Alyssa Cross

2016 / 2017 NS Challenge Team

The Challenge team travelled to Montreal Nov 30th – Dec 4th 2016

Pre Novice Women

Alyssa Cross, Sophie Tanner, Kayla Deveau

Novice Women

Jillian Matlock, Meghan Hamilton, Jessie MacIntosh

Junior Women

Emma Dinda, Julia WoolCombe

Senior Women

Stephie Wamsley

2016 / 2017 IMPORTANT DATES

Rob McCall Memorial – February 3-5 2017

Information Package / Applications now available at skatecanada.ns.ca applications are due in hand Dec 16th 2016.

STARSkate & Synchronized Provincial Championships

Liverpool February 25th & 26th 2017

Information Package / Applications now available at skatecanada.ns.ca applications are due in hand Jan 13 2017.

World's Finest Chocolate Atlantic Canada Skating Championships

East Hants April 7th to 9th 2017

Skate Canada Nova Scotia Annual General Meeting,

Awards and Celebration On Ice May 6th 2017 Cole Harbour Place

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

As part of the Long Term Athlete Development (LTAD) Skate Canada Nova Scotia has taken the step to remove Pre Juvenile and Juvenile categories from the 2018 Sectionals to be held in November 2017. Pre Juvenile and Juvenile Skaters are within the Learn to Train stage of the LTAD just moving into the Learn to Compete stage and as so skaters are encouraged to acquire a skill set that will allow them to reach the highest level of proficiency in their skating i.e.: good basics. At this point emphasis should remain on technical development and training time, with a minimum of competition. In the past we were asking our Pre Juvenile and Juvenile Skaters to peek twice per year, November and February, which is not optimal for the technical development, when so much time is focused on programs and performance. For more information the complete LTAD document can be found under Resources on the Skate Canada Nova Scotia website www.skatecanada.ns.ca

WHAT ARE WE UP TO?

Skate Canada Nova Scotia will be recognizing skaters that have achieved a gold test (or several) on the "GOLDEN WALL" on our website.

**This will be for both current skaters and those who have passed gold tests decades ago.....
Right now we are in an information gathering stage, and what we will need is:**

Name of the Skater

Home Club

Gold Test Passed (must be a complete Gold Test)

Date the test was passed, (just the year will do)

Send it to skatecanadans@sportnovascotia.ca

Please share this with all you think it may apply to and let's see how big the wall can get.

AWARDS

Test Achievement Award

Due to the restructuring of the STARSkate Assessments STAR 1 to 5, the Skate Canada Board has decided as of the 2016 – 2017 skating season to no longer present this award.

Hall of Fame

On Saturday June 10th 2017 the first induction to the Skate Canada Nova Scotia Hall Of Fame will take place at the Dalhousie University Club. This induction will honor those who have contributed significantly to Nova Scotia's Skating Community in the categories of Athlete, Official, Builders and Professional Coach over many years.

Recognition Pins

Recognition Pins are given out at the Skate Canada Nova Scotia Annual General Meeting being held May 6th 2017 at Cole Harbour Place. Pins for 10 and 20 years of volunteering are given by Skate Canada Nova Scotia with 25 and 50 year pins for coaches and volunteers awarded by Skate Canada. Please send the name, contact information and summary of years served to skatecanadans@sportnovascotia.ca by March 1st 2017. Please look around you club and nominate those who contribute so much, remember the officials, without them we would not have test days or competitions for our skaters.

Has your club considered hosting a CanSkate Element Event?

A CanSkate Element Event can be done within your own club, with another club or with clubs from your Region. It is easy, fun and can be a great fundraiser too. All the information for hosting and organizing a CanSkate Element Event can be found at info.skatecanada.ca under CanSkate. If you have any questions, please contact Jill Knowles skatecanadans@sportnovascotia.ca