

FALL NEWSLETTER

December 2022



This summer we enjoyed a picnic and presented our skating awards under sunny skies in Stanley Park. We welcome our new Board of Directors after the AGM was held on December 4th, 2022. In person competitions are in full swing. Sunset SC had 34 skaters compete at Jingle Blades in November. Congratulations to Vanessa Ho, who qualified for the Skate Canada Challenge Competition in Winnipeg, MB. Vanessa finished 4th overall at the Junior level at the BC/YT Sections Competition. Nicole Zhang, our Pre-Novice skater came from 12th in the short program to finish 3rd overall with a very strong free skate. Nicole qualified for the Skate Canada Pre-Novice and Novice Challenge Competition to be held in Regina, SK in January 2023. Congratulations Nicole! Last, but not least we enjoyed an entertaining Holiday Gala at the end of our Fall session. Wishing everyone a very successful and Happy New Year!

Your Sunset Board of Directors

New Sunset Board of Directors

Following the Annual General Meeting held on December 4th, 2022, we would like to welcome our new **Board of Directors:**

Past President: Gary Lim Secretary: Christine Liu

President: Patrick Yue Director at Large: Katherine Qiu

Vice President: Grace Wong Director at Large: Ying Cheung (Lobo) Ho Treasurer: Glady Kwan

Director at Large: Helen Chen

We asked our newest board member, Helen Chen to introduce herself:

My daughter Abigail has been with the club for over eight years starting from CanSkate. She skates in the Intermediate level. Since we have been with the club for such a long time, I have enjoyed getting to know the coaches, parents, and skaters over the years. The success of any organization stems from engagement and contribution from its members. Because of my history with the club, I feel I can help engage a broad group of members especially the Intermediate group and represent them at the board level. I also hope to help bridge any gaps in communication within the club. Professionally, I am a family doctor and have been medical



director for two multi-physician clinics. I am very community minded and have extensive volunteer experience in various organizations including my church, school PACs, local food banks and medical organizations. In my free time, I enjoy gardening, running, hiking, going to concerts, museums and travelling.

SSC Community Shoutouts

It takes a village. In October, several of our skaters travelled to Kamloops to compete at the Autumn Leaves Super Series Competition. Thank you to Coach Yuan-Qin, Coach Jordan, the Tham Family, the Wu Family, Jenny Chau for driving and ensuring all the skaters were able to compete in Kamloops. Thank you to Coach Jordan for creating the Sunset Poster to cheer the skaters on.

Thank you to the Wang family who created the fabulous banners for the Sectionals' and Jingle Blades competitions



Summer Picnic and Awards

In July our Sunset awards and picnic was held in Stanley Park. Coaches and skaters enjoyed playing Ultimate, volleyball and "capture the flag". Skaters were presented awards to recognize their hard work and dedication to the sport. Thank you to the Board for providing the pizza, hot dogs and refreshments at the picnic.



Holiday Skating Gala

What a way to end our Fall session! Our Holiday gala was held on Friday, December 16th, 2022. Skaters from all our programs performed group and individual numbers. Coach Alaine and Coach Jordan closed the gala with a fun performance that had us all dreaming of Hawaii...Thank you to Coach Peter for coordinating the Gala. Thank you to the coaches who choreographed the group numbers. Thank you to the Board for providing the refreshments and pizza to keep our skaters and their families nourished for the family skate after the gala.



CanSkate/Pre-CanSkate

The 2023 Winter CanSkate Registration is Open!

Monday 6:00pm – 6:45pm (January 9 – March 6, 2023) Wednesday 5:00pm – 5:45pm (January 11 – March 8, 2023) Friday 5:15pm – 6:00pm (January 13 – March 10, 2023) Saturday 10:00am – 10:45am (January 14 – March 11, 2023)





Junior Development

We would like to welcome the following skaters to JD: Michelle, Scarlett, Gregory, Katrina, Hannah, and Ava



JD Competitive

JDC welcomes the following skaters Emma K, Jasmine, and Adrian.

The following skaters have moved to partial intermediate: Olivia, Emma,

Eunice, Ashley W.

Star Skate

Congratulations to Charlotte who moved from JD to Star Skate



Sunset on the Competitive Stage

2022 SummerSkate Super Series – August 18 – 21, 2022, Scotia Barn, Burnaby, BC

Junior Women: Vanessa Ho – Short 11th, Free 8th > 9th overall Junior Women: Miikka Ho – Short 20th, Free 18th > 18th overall

Pre-Novice Women U16 (Group 3): Nicole Zhang - Short 4th, Free 4th > 4th overall

Juvenile Women U12: Yuan Yuan Jia > 13th

Juvenile Women U14 (Group 1): Cynthia Zhu > 17th
Pre-Juvenile Women U11 (Group 1): Tiffany Khoe > **3rd**Pre-Juvenile Women U13 (Group 1): Jacqueline Li > 8th
Pre-Juvenile Women U13 (Group 2): Sonia Rui Hong > 5th

Gold Women: Kandis Ng > 3rd
Gold Women: Emily Kwong > 5th
Star 10 Women: Doreen Chang > 2nd
Star 9 Women: Kandis Ng > 4th

Star 6 Women (Group 1): Xi Yue Fang > 11th
Star 6 Women (Group 1): Amanda Wong > 12th
Star 6 Women (Group 1) Amelia Wu > 13th

Star 6 Men: Anthony Lu > **2nd** Star 5 Men: Anson Jia > 5th Star 5 Men: Kevin Liu > 8th

Star 4 Girls U13 (Group 2): Neomis Barril > 9th

Star 3 Competitors: Eunice Ho, Olivia Liu, Ashley Wang, Emma

Xie

Star 2 Competitors: Madelyn Fong, Cailyn Jin, Ashley Lam, Anthea Li, Athena Luo, Ivy Meng, Sara

Tan, Arissa Yeh

Star 1 Competitors: Kona Cameron, Elise Lin, Katherine Nodir



<u>2022 Autumn Leaves Super Series – October 13 - 16, 2022, McArthur Island Sport</u> and Event Centre, Kamloops B.C



Junior Women: Vanessa Ho – Short 4th, Free 4th > 4th overall

Pre-Novice Women U16 (Group 1): Nicole Zhang – Short 2nd, Free 1st > 2nd overall

Juvenile Women U12 (Group 2): Yuan Yuan Jia > 8th Juvenile Women U14 (Group 2): Sonia Rui Hong > 10th Juvenile Women U14 (Group 3): Jacqueline Li > 7th

Pre-Juvenile Men: Anson Jia > 3rd
Gold Women: Kandis Ng > 1st
Gold Women: Emily Kwong > 2nd
Star 10 Women: Doreen Chang > 2nd

Star 10 Women: Rachel Yeong > 3rd Star 9 Women: Kandis Ng > 2nd

Star 6 Women (Group 1): Amanda Wong > 4th Star 6 Women (Group 1): Amelia Wu > 11th Star 6 Women (Group 2): Abigail Tham > 4th





2023 BC/YT Sectionals Super Series – November 10 - 13, 2022 Poirier Sports

Complex, Coquitlam, BC

Junior Women: Vanessa Ho – Short 4th and Free 4th > 4th overall

***2023 Skate Canada Challenge Qualifier, Winnipeg, MB

Junior Women: Miikka Ho – Short 7th, Free 8th> 8th overall

Pre-Novice Women: Nicole Zhang – Short 12th, Free 2nd> **3rd** overall

***2023 Skate Canada Challenge Qualifier, Regina SK

Juvenile Women U12: Eva Wang > 9th
Juvenile Women U12: Yuan Yuan Jia > 16th
Juvenile Women U14: Sonia Rui Hong > 17th
Juvenile Women U14: Jacqueline Li > 32nd
Juvenile Women U14: Cynthia Zhu > 42nd

Pre-Juvenile Women (U11) Group 2: Bara Novakova > 9th

Pre-Juvenile Men: Anson Jia > 8th Pre-Juvenile Men: Kevin Liu > 11th





<u>2022 Vancouver Island Inter Club November 18-20, 2022, Kerry Park Recreation Centre, Mill Bay, B.C</u>



Star 10 Women: Rachel Yeong > 1st

2022 Jingle Blades November 24-27, 2021, Mission Leisure Centre, Mission, B.C.

Juvenile Women U14 > Cynthia Zhu > 16th

Pre-Juvenile Women U11 Group 2: Bara Novakova > 4th

Pre-Juvenile Men > Anson Jia > 6th
Pre-Juvenile Men > Kevin Liu > 7th
Gold Women: Emily Kwong > **1**st
Gold Women: Kandis Ng > **3rd**Gold Women: Athena Yue > 5th
Star 10 Women: Doreen Chang > **3rd**Star 10 Women: Rachel Yeong > 4th

Star 9 Women: Kandis Ng > **3rd**



Star 6 Women Group 1: Amelia Wu > 9th
Star 6 Women Group 2: Amanda Wong > 8th
Star 6 Women Group 2: Klara Novakova > 12th
Star 6 Women Group 3: Abigail Tham > **2**nd
Star 6 Women Group 3: Emma Lau > 11th

Star 6 Men: Anthony Lu > 2nd

Star 5 Women U13 Group 1: Christen Chiu > 9th

Star 4 Girls U10 Group 1: Eunice Ho > 8th

Star 4 Girls U10 Group 2: Emma Xie > 1st

Star 4 Girls U10 Group 3: Olivia Liu > 1st

Star 4 Girls U10 Group 3: Ashley Wang > 5th

Star 4 Girls U13 Group 1: Amy Jia > 11th

Star 4 Girls U13 Group 4: Kaleigh Lim > 9th

Star 4 Girls 13&O Group 1: Sylvanna Chen > 5th

Star 3 Competitors: Madelyn Fan, Cailyn Jin, Ashley Lam, Athena Luo

Star 2 Competitors: Anthea Li, Jasmine Li, Arissa Yeh, Zariah Cerenzie

Star 1 Competitors: Taylor Chu, Charlotte Li, Emma Liu



Results supplied by Skating in BC here: https://www.skatinginbc.com/results

<u>2022 Skate Canada Challenge – November 30 – December 4, 2022, Evraz Place, Winnipeg, MB</u>



Junior Women: Vanessa Ho > Short 27th, Free 26th > 24th overall

Results supplied by Skating in BC here: https://skatecanada.ca/2023-skate-canada-challenge/

Upcoming Events 2023

Jan 9th - 15th, 2023 - 2023 Canadian Tire National Skating Championships, Oshawa, ON Jan 25th - 28th, 2023 - 2023 Skate Canada Pre-Novice and Novice Challenge, Regina, SK Feb 2^{nd} - 5th, 2023 - WinterSkate, Richmond, BC March 10^{th} - 12^{th} , 2023 - Super Series STARSKATE Final, Kelowna, BC March 23^{rd} - 26^{th} , 2023 - BC Winter Games, Vernon, BC

Figure Skating Competitions and Events can be found here: https://www.skatinginbc.com/all-events/upcoming

Safety at the rink

Since the ice rink is a community space this is a reminder to keep your belongings safe. Report any incidents to the Board and to the Sunset Maintenance team (604-841-4253).

Buy-on via Uplifter

Please **REMEMBER** to pay for buy-on online via Uplifter **PRIOR** to coming to the rink. We are trying to reduce cash transactions as much as possible, so your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Contribute to the Newsletter

Thank you to the coaches, parents and skaters who have shared their photos with us, particularly the coaches Alaine, Jordan, Yuan-Qin, Peter, Samantha, Patricia and parent volunteers Ying Wai Yeong and Alex Kwong.

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter or have articles you would like to see, please email board@sunsetskatingclub.com.

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