

Kerrisdale FSC Newsletter

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"It's not whether you get knocked down, it's whether you get up." Vince Lombardi

Kerrisdale Figure Skating Club (KFSC) will be <u>closed</u> from December 23rd to January 6th, inclusive. Lessons will restart on January 7 2018. Wishing everyone a very Festive Holiday Season and all the best for the New Year!

Winter SKatel

KFSC will be hosting our annual club winter skating social for members and their families.

New this year: A skating show by select club members will be featured.

Come watch and skate! When: Sunday December 17th, 2017 Time: 9:45am -10:45am - skating show 11:00 am - 12:30pm - family skate Where: Kerrisdale Arena FREE Skate rentals will be available

Upcoming Events - 2017

November 24–26 - Jingle Blades, Fleetwood, Surrey November 28–Dec. 3 - Low Test Week, Kerrisdale Arena December 8 – Arbutus Club Christmas Fun &Frolic Friendly competition December 17 – KFSC Winter family skate

Safety Notes and Rules:

CanSkaters: It is mandatory that you wear a CSA approved helmet – *bike or snowboard helmets are not allowed*.

All Skaters:

- Only water bottles are permitted at the ice surface. No pop or juice, etc, at rink side.
- Please keep the stands and the skater's room free from garbage and please throw your trash in the garbage cans!

Our fall/winter schedule and registration forms are on our club website, skatekerrisdale.com. Please note that the following sessions are Full. Sunday dance, 9:45 – 10:45 Friday Canskate Session, 4:30 pm – 5:15 pm

StarSkate Simulation event – What is it?? It is a 'practice run' for StarSkaters to have an opportunity to skate their solo program on the ice, in front of their peers, coaches and a judge. They typically occur 1 week prior to a competition. It is a scheduled event that you must register for a minimum of 3 days prior -\$5/simulation. Future Stars are encouraged to come watch the Starskaters.

Next Simulation: Friday December 8th, 7-7:45 pm

Congratulations to our Autumn Leaves competition participants: Valerie, Nikolai and Polina!



Featured Future Star: Claire



Claire started skating at the age of 5, and has enjoyed skating ever since. Claire has a hamster named Humphrey and a fish named Rainbow.

Favourite TV show - Powerpuff girls Favourite Movie - Home Alone Favourite Book - Humphrey Favourite Song - Taylor Swift's Gorgeous Other Hobbies - Gymnastics and reading



Favourite Colours - pink & turquoise Favourite tv show - Little Lunch Favourite Food - macaroni & cheese Tessa has a fluffy brown dog named Coffee Bean and a favourite bear named "Bubby"

Featured Junior StarSkater: Medina – Level Star 1

Medina is currently in the Star 1 level and working on her elements skills, dance and free skate. Medina has been a PA volunteer for Canskate.



Favourite Book – The Outsiders Favourite Music – K-Pop Favourite TV show – Parks & Rec Favourite Movie –

Bridesmaids &Korean dramas Other Hobbies –

Biking, cooking and hip hop

Featured Senior StarSkater: Valerie Chan – Level Star 8

Valerie started figure skating when she was 7 years old and is currently working on improving her jumps & spins. She has also passed the Junior Silver freeskate test. Valerie volunteers at her school's robotics club and is working with elementary school students to design, build and program an autonomous robot using Lego EV3 Mindstorms robot kits. Very cool!



Favourite Skater – Patrick Chan Favourite Movie – Harry Potter Favourite Book – Anne of Green Gables Favourite Song – Avril Lavigne My Happy Ending Other Hobbies – Arts &Crafts, playing piano

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Be on the lookout for our club members volunteering at the Canadian Skating Championships to be held here in Vancouver in January 2018.

Call for Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to help during our Winter Skate event. If you would like to volunteer please e-mail <u>info@skatekerrisdale.com</u>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the following:

Margot Delorme – Club President: <u>info@skatekerrisdale.com</u> Marian Slater – Club Office Assistant: <u>info@skatekerrisdale.com</u> Shannon Balabardin – Skating Director: <u>nsb_sk8@yahoo.ca</u> Michelle Phaneuf – CanSkate Coordinator: <u>kerrisdalecanskate@gmail.com</u> Nikolai Balabardin – FutureStars Coordinator: nsb_sk8@yahoo.ca

<u>Coaching Tip</u>: "If a skater wants to remember their corrections to improve productivity on the ice, start a skating journal."

KFSC Coach Nikolai





Valerie skating at the Autumn Leaves Competition, October 2017