



# KERRISDALE SKATING CLUB

## NEWSLETTER



It has been a busy and wonderful season celebrating our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We performed a showcase for the community at the **Park Board's Kerrisdale Cyclone Taylor Arena 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration** and officially **opened Robson Square Ice Rink for the season**, where we were featured on several news stations and the Government of BC website! Check out our [Instagram profile](#) to see pictures from these events! We also hosted our **biannual ice show**, and skaters competed at **BC/YT Sectionals, BC Coast Region's Jingle Blades and WinterSkate competitions**, and most recently, at **BC/YT Victoria Day Super Series**. We are now wrapping up our spring session and are looking forward to a full summer training schedule. Please watch for an announcement about our summer picnic in the coming weeks!



### SUMMER REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

How do you keep cool in the summer? Skating of course! Check out our skate schedule [here](#), and note that we are offering a CanSkate session on a weekly basis!



## CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to all who participated in this season's competitions! We are so proud of each and every skater! A special shoutout to our medallists as listed here.

### WinterSkate

**Naomi Chan** – Bronze, Star 4 Girls U10  
**Audrey Richer** – Silver, Star 4 Girls U13  
**Mina Ho** – Gold, Star 5 Women U10  
**Audrey Tan** – Gold, Star 5 Women U13  
**Tessa Clinch** – Silver, Star 6 Women  
**Katarina Harbich** – Gold, Adult Gold Artistic  
**Erin Leach** – Gold, Adult Elite Artistic

### Jingle Blades

**Chloe Wei** – Gold, Star 7 Women  
**Rinako Kasahara** – Gold, Star 6 Women  
**Tessa Clinch** – Silver, Star 6 Women  
**Mina Ho** – Bronze, Star 5 Girls U10

### Victoria Day

**Naomi Chan** – Silver, Star 4 Girls U10  
**Keyne Chu** – Silver, Star 4 Girls 13 & Over  
**Grace Hu** – Gold, Star 5 Women U13  
**Mina Ho** – Bronze, Pre-Juvenile Women U11  
**Anna Herwig** – Bronze, Pre-Juvenile Women U11  
**Chloe Wei** – Gold, Star 8 Women  
**Rinako Kasahara** – Bronze, Juvenile Women U12  
**Lena Ling** – Silver, Adult Gold Artistic

**Congratulations to the class of 2025! We are proud to feature our graduating skaters below. They have been such wonderful role models for our younger ones. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours!**



**WENNI LEE**

**SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL SECONDARY**

Wenni has been skating since she was 12 years old, joining KFSC 5 years ago. She is hoping to pursue her degree in English literature at the University of Toronto. Her favourite memories of skating with the Club are her participation in the last two ice shows.



*"I WILL MISS NIKOLAI'S ANALOGIES FOR SKATING TECHNIQUE AND HIS WISE WORDS OF INSPIRATION THAT ALWAYS KEPT ME COMMITTED TO SKATING."*

— WENNI

**ABBEY MOORES**

**UBC SAUDER SCHOOL OF BUSINESS**



We were lucky to have Abbey join us as a Program Assistant (PA) in 2023, and with encouragement from

Shannon and Barbara, she pursued her CanSkate coaching course and has been one of our CanSkate coaches for just over a year! Abbey has found it very exciting to see so many skaters of all ages improve and progress through the program.

Abbey had moved to Vancouver in 2021 to pursue her business degree at UBC. She grew up in St. John's, Newfoundland and began skating at age 6 with Prince of Wales Skating Club. She had reached Juvenile Ladies category and in high school had transitioned to the Star program, competing in Star 9 and 10. Joining her club's synchronized skating team, she had the exciting opportunity to compete at the 2020 Skate Canada Synchronized Skating Championships in Calgary! After spending a few years away from the rink, she missed it and so reached out to Shannon about volunteering with our club.

What's next for Abbey? Abbey specialized in General Business Management with a concentration in Business Law and Sustainability & Social Impact. She is passionate about helping businesses become more socially and environmentally responsible. This summer, Abbey is working in a climate reporting role while exploring opportunities for what's next.

*"I AM VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE COMMUNITY I'VE FOUND AT KFSC. WHEN I FIRST MOVED TO VANCOUVER FOUR YEARS AGO, I DIDN'T KNOW ANYONE. TODAY, I'VE BUILT WONDERFUL CONNECTIONS WITH PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE CITY. THE KERRISDALE FIGURE SKATING CLUB HAS BEEN ESPECIALLY WELCOMING, AND IT WILL ALWAYS HOLD A SPECIAL PLACE IN MY HEART:)"*

*A BIG THANK YOU TO THE KFSC COACHING TEAM, VOLUNTEERS, PARENTS, AND SKATERS, WITH SPECIAL KUDOS TO SHANNON AND BARB FOR WELCOMING ME IN FROM THE VERY START." — ABBEY*

Haley started skating at age 7, stopped, then started again at age 10, joining KFSC. She is a Star 5 skater and one of our CanSkate coaches!

Haley loved group lessons during her time training with the Club! She felt they made skating more vibrant and created a sense of community amongst the skaters.



*"AS THE OLDEST SKATER IN THE CLUB, I LEARNED TO NOT COMPARE YOURSELF TO OTHERS, ESPECIALLY IF THEY'RE OLDER, YOUNGER, TALLER, OR SHORTER, BECAUSE EVERYONE'S SKATING BACKGROUND IS DIFFERENT, AND EACH SKATER WILL HAVE THEIR OWN STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES. AFTER COUNTLESS HIGHS AND LOWS IN MY SKATING CAREER, I LEARNED TO TREAT CHALLENGES AS OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH, AND SETBACKS AS TEMPORARY OBSTACLES. CHERISH AND APPRECIATE YOUR COACHES AND TRAINING SESSIONS AND HAVE AN ENJOYABLE TIME ON THE ICE!" — HALEY*





# LIGHTS, CAMERA, SKATE!

We were delighted to host our biannual ice show in March, themed around Hollywood movies and soundtracks. It was an extra special one celebrating our 75th anniversary. We were honoured to host a number of our alumni in addition to our club families and friends. Thank you to all who participated and organized!

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