

# THE SKATING CLUB OF BOSTON CLUB OF BOSTON

March 2013

# U.S. Champions!



Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir, U.S. Pairs champions, photo courtesy of Marni Gallagher

## Omaha 2013

The Skating Club of Boston made its presence strongly felt at the 2013 U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Omaha, Nebraska in January both on the ice and on the concourse of the CenturyLink Center. It was an extremely rewarding competition for our Club skaters, and a productive visit for the local organizing committee for the 2014 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships, coming to Boston next year.

#### **Boston Team Brings Home Medals!**

In true "Bring it Home" spirit, senior pairs competitors Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir proved to be fierce competitors and skated to the top of the podium to win the title of United States pairs champions. This is

# President's Letter

Dear Members,

Congratulations to all our skaters on their outstanding performances at the recent 2013 U.S. Prudential Figure Skating Championships. Good luck to those who qualified to move on to the World Championships along with those who will represent the United States at various international events.

All our skaters who represented the Club did so with pride and sportsmanship, performed to the best of their ability and are to be congratulated for their performances. Show your support by attending send-offs for the various competitions.

We are now planning the 2014 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships and will organize committees over the next few months. Volunteers are needed for the various committees and on the two ice surfaces. We encourage you to be part of a great event that will see the best skating in the country. Go to the event website (www.boston2014.com) and sign up to volunteer.

At the U.S. Championships in Omaha, key committee members reviewed the venue setup and will also meet with U.S. Figure Skating to discuss protocols and recent changes. Additional meetings are scheduled with NBC and icenetwork, TD Garden and the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center.

We are also assisting U.S. Figure Skating with the 2013 ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships April 3–6 at Boston University's Agganis Arena. Featuring the world's best synchronized skating teams, this event showcases one of the fastest-growing figure skating programs at its best. We are

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helping as a sponsor and thus can represent the Club at this prestigious event. Thank you to those who are volunteering their support.

Frog Pond is still open and continues to have success with programs that support Boston residents and children. Our Skating in the Schools program is in its second year with great interest from the community and schools.

Basic Skills Competitions will be held at Marlborough on March 16, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm, and Foxboro June 8, 8:30 am – 2:00 pm. We also encourage all skaters to participate in our Club Competition on April 28.

The House Committee rolled out the new china and flatware at the U.S. Championships Send-Off, which was well received by all accounts. I hope you have a chance to attend an event and see for yourself the simple, yet appropriate, design.

As for the new facility, much progress has been made over the past six months. We're currently reviewing the building layout to ensure it accommodates the needs of our programs and Club members. A fundraising committee has been formed that is actively developing leads and prospects for sponsors and naming rights. We also seek to complete the permit process phase by year-end, working with Colliers International. The Club will host informational sessions for the membership to discuss these plans, schedules and status.

Thank you for your support of The Skating Club of Boston.

Sincerely, Joe

#### From the Editor

*Chips* is the official publication of The Skating Club of Boston, and is published regularly throughout the year. Each issue focuses on upcoming activities and recaps recent events.

We always welcome new story ideas, interesting features, photos, questions and feedback. Send to editor@scboston.org. The deadline for the next issue — due out in June — is **May 15**. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this edition!

*Chips* is emailed to readers to conserve resources. Current and back issues are posted on the Club website: www.scboston.org

- Susan Gilbert

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# **Boston Team Wins National Medals**

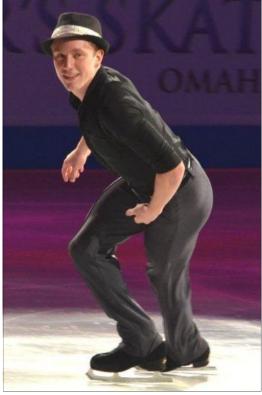
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the first U.S. Championship title the Club has won in more than 50 years! Marissa says, "It feels great to be national champion, something I never dreamed of. I believe this not only represents my hard work this year but my hard work throughout my career as a skater." Simon adds, "The feeling of being U.S. champions has only just started to sink in. After nationals we were on such a high and it was a little surreal, but now that we've been home for a few weeks, it's really hitting me and it feels exhilarating."

As leaders of the Boston team, Marissa and Simon also displayed a positive and cheerful attitude all week, setting a fine example for their fellow skaters. We could not be more proud of our new U.S. Pairs Champions and congratulate them on their outstanding accomplishment.

In a men's event that saw several quadruple jumps and an unusually strong field, the ever-steady Ross Miner, 2-time U.S. bronze medalist, Skate America bronze medalist and Four Continents bronze medalist, earned his highest national medal thus far, the silver, while also moving past three-time U.S. champion Jeremy Abbott. Placing 2nd in both the short and long programs, Ross executed multiple quadruple jumps with reliable accuracy and confidence. His near flawless programs were rewarded with excellent marks and the admiration of the crowd and NBC commentators.

The rest of the Club's national team also delivered exciting performances, with perfect programs from our two senior ladies in the top 10 (Christina



Ross Miner, U.S. Silver Medalist, photo courtesy of Marni Gallagher



Anastasia Cannuscio and Colin McManus, senior dance competitors, photo courtesy of Daphne Backman

Gao, 5th and Yasmin Siraj, 6th); placements of two senior men in the top 10 (Ross, 2nd and Stephen Carriere, 10th); two senior pairs in the top 10 (Marissa & Simon, 1st and Gretchen Donlan & Andrew Speroff, 6th); and two senior dance teams in the top 10 (Anastasia Cannuscio & Colin McManus, 6th and Isabella Cannuscio & Michael Bramante, 9th).

Full results for our Club members are listed on pages 15–16. We congratulate all of our skaters on a tremendous season, outstanding performances throughout the year, and their exemplary leadership for Club skaters still coming up the ranks.

Our top senior athletes were named to the World Team to represent the United States: Four Continents competition in Osaka, Japan, January 6–11 (Marissa & Simon, Ross, Christina); ISU World Championships in London, Ontario, Canada, March 11–17 (Marissa & Simon, Ross); and ISU Junior World Championships in Milan, Italy, February 25 – March 3 (Yasmin).

We will all root for the home team and wish them success in representing the Club and the United States in these prestigious international events.

#### On To Boston, 2014

Boston had one of the largest athlete contingents in Omaha, as well as a supportive group of parents, coaches, and members of the local organizing committee for the 2014 U.S. Championships. The Boston buzz was

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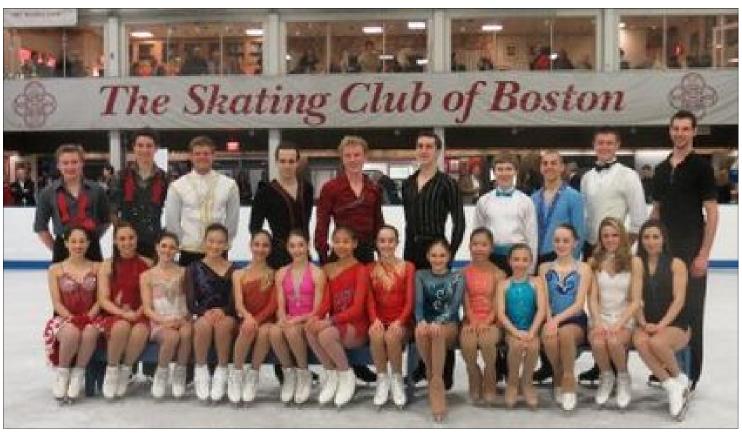
Gretchen Donlan and Jimmy Morgan sport "Bring it Home Boston" tee shirts, photo courtesy of Zev Fisher

everywhere, with many folks sporting "Ask me about Boston 2014" buttons, 2014 U.S. Championships commemorative pins, 2014 U.S. Championships jackets, and our athletes wearing *Bring it Home Boston 2014* tee shirts during free time and on-ice practice. A group of moms held the Club's 100th Anniversary banner in the stands and even garnered some TV time on the NBC broadcast!

The Boston 2014 concourse booth was a huge success and popular throughout the week with many spectators making return visits to enter the daily prize drawings. The excitement for next year's Olympic-year U.S. Championship event in Boston was palpable.

Our booth crew answered questions, provided Boston tourism information and hotel brochures, and sold lots of tickets. Members of the organizing committee also toured the Omaha facilities and met with U.S. Figure Skating event staff to begin planning the operations and logistics for the TD Garden, Boston Convention and Exhibition Center and other functional areas of the 2014 event.

With the 2013 U.S. Championships now in the books (and a good read for Boston it was!), less than a year is left for the Club's organizing committee to produce the best U.S. Championships ever, next year, here in Boston! For more information, including how to purchase tickets and to volunteer, visit www.boston2014.com.



2013 U.S. Championships competitors, photo courtesy of Jarshen Lin

# **International Competitions**

# World Junior Championships

Congratulations to Yasmin Siraj for successfully competing in the World Junior Figure Skating Championships held in Milan, Italy, February 27 – March 3.

### **World Championships**

The Skating Club of Boston wishes the best of luck to Marissa Castelli & Simon Shnapir and Ross Miner at the ISU World Championships in London, Ontario, Canada, March 11–17!



Yasmin Siraj with Ben Wright at the Annual Send-Off Dinner, photo courtesy of Jamie Hull

### **Synchro Worlds**

The ISU World Synchronized Skating Championships will be held April 3–6, right here in Boston at Boston University's Agganis Arena.

The best synchro teams from around the world — such as Finland, Sweden, Canada, Russia, Germany, Italy, Japan, Switzerland, Austria, the Czech Republic, Croatia, Hungary, Latvia, Belgium and, of course, the United States — will compete in this exciting international event.

The three-time World champions from Finland, Marigold IceUnity, will then stay on and headline this year's *Ice Chips*. (See article, p. 9)

The Skating Club of Boston is supporting this event by coordinating the volunteers. Thanks to all members who have signed up to volunteer; we now have a full volunteer crew! Check out more information about the event at http://2013synchroworlds.com/

# Synchro Teams Excel at Easterns



Collegiate team, 2013 Eastern Sectional champions

#### **Eastern Sectional Medalists**

Congratulations to Team Excel for their fine showing at the 2013 Eastern Synchronized Skating Sectional Championships held last month at Lake Placid, New York. Our Collegiate and Senior teams' stunning performances each captured the gold medal; the Preliminary and Intermediate Teams each 6th place; Juvenile came in 8th; and Pre-Juvenile earned 10th in the final round – out of 28 teams!

Team Excel Collegiate skated to a medley of songs that share the theme of unrequited love. The Senior team skated their short program to the music "Marry You" by Bruno Mars, their long program to songs from Miss Saigon.

The Collegiate and Senior teams recently represented the Skating Club of Boston at the 2013 U.S. Synchronized Skating Championships, February 27 – March 2 in Detroit, Michigan. Team Excel Collegiate captured the Pewter medal, winning their first-ever U.S. title!

#### **Synchronized Skating**

Team Excel promotes synchronized skating and prepares teams for national and international competition. By encouraging teamwork and sportsmanship, Team Excel supports individual skaters as they seek to attain their unique potential and use their full potential as a team. Team Excel promotes a value-driven approach to sports competition – teamwork, volunteer participation, and the development of youth as strong and competent individuals. Their love of skating is the foundation of this program.

#### **Team Excel: 10 Teams in All**

The Club now supports 10 synchro teams, aimed at three distinct skater markets: Introductory, Qualifying, and Elite.



Senior team, 2013 Eastern Sectional champions

# Synchro Teams Excel at Easterns

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#### Introductory Level

- Three Beginner 1 teams, one in each location
   Boston, Foxboro, Marlborough
- One Beginner 2 team Foxboro
- One Preliminary team Incorporates skaters from all three locations
- One Pre-Juvenile team Includes older skaters at the Introductory skills level

#### Qualifying Level

- Juvenile team New last season
- Intermediate team New this season



Intermediate team, 2013 Eastern Sectional competitors

The expansion of the Elite level reflects the program's growing reputation. We are proud to include high school, college, and post-college skaters who hail from not only New England, but around the country. For more information on Team Excel, check the team's website at: www.excelsynchro.org or send an email to: excelsynchro@gmail.com



Preliminary team, 2013 Eastern Sectional competitors

#### Elite Level

- Collegiate Team Founded by Lee Anne Filosa and Melissa Delano; both also serve as Co-Line Managers
- Senior team New this season; Lauren Gendizer, a former member of the original Collegiate team, helps run this team; Kiva Leibowitz, new to Team Excel, but a familiar face to Skating Academy students, is Co-Line Manager



Juvenile team, 2013 Eastern Sectional competitors

# Q & A with Lee Anne Filosa, Team Manager and Member, Team Excel Collegiate

#### How does it feel to be Eastern Sectional Champions?

Being an Eastern Sectional Champion with Team Excel for the first time is an incredible feeling. Over the past 5 years, we have worked diligently to build the program. In the first season, we had to actively search for members; now we have an abundance of skaters. Since its founding in 2009, this team has come an amazing distance and winning Easterns was a rewarding and emotional experience for many of us who have been involved since the beginning. All the hard work my current and former teammates have put in over the years helped us to reach this point, and I am excited to see what the future holds.



Lee Anne Filosa

#### How did you and your teammates prepare for the U.S. Synchronized Championships?

We worked with dancer Veronique Breen to improve our arm and head movements and to perfect our synchronization. We were determined to bring our program to the next level for the U.S. Synchronized Championships. In addition to program work, we do on-ice interval training to increase our stamina and cardiovascular strength: We skate fast for a period of time to get our heart rates up, have a brief recovery period, and then repeat this process. As the season progresses, we increase the length of time we go fast, and decrease the amount of time we go slow. This enables us to end the program as strong as we start it.

#### What do you specifically like about synchro skating, versus other forms of the sport?

Synchronized skating is a perfect compilation of skills from all disciplines. Our programs require the edge quality and turns demanded from moves in the field and ice dance, jumps and spins from free skate, and lifts and spins from pairs. Many of our skaters have extensive backgrounds in these disciplines, which enables us to have difficult programs with a multitude of different elements.

The other differentiating aspect of synchronized skating is the teamwork. To be successful, all 16 skaters need to be focused and the team depends on everyone to attend every practice to be able to perfect elements. When the team skates well at a competition, regardless of the outcome, there's something incredibly special and memorable about sharing that sense of accomplishment with others.



Pre-Juvenile team, 2013 Eastern Sectional competitors

#### How many times per week do teams practice?

The Collegiate and Senior teams each practice 2 days a week, for a total of 5 hours on ice, and 2 hours off ice.

### What other on-ice activities do team members participate in to improve their synchro skills?

Skaters are expected to train at least 2 hours outside of their commitment to the team. Most skaters have passed their senior moves in the field. We also encourage ice dancing and freestyle work.

#### Off-ice?

This season, we have been fortunate to work with Kat Arbour, one of the Club's off-ice trainers, on flexibility, strength and conditioning. Her help off the ice has made a big impact on our on-ice success.

# The 101st Ice Chips Show of Champions

Harvard University's Bright Arena April 13 and 14, 2013

The kickoff to the Club's next 100 years is just around the corner — Ice Chips 2013, *The 101st Ice Chips Show of Champions*. This three-performance event, held April 13



and 14 at Harvard University's Bright Arena, will feature fun, upbeat and exciting production numbers with music both legendary and current. The children's group numbers, themed "Exploring Life on Earth," take audience members on a fascinating adventure through the Earth's oceans, jungles, and sky while the rest of the show celebrates life today. This year's logo, created by Jamie Hull, has a modern feel and ocean colors to signify our home, Earth, the ocean planet.

#### The Stars

Our guest stars, three-time World Synchronized Skating champions from Finland, Marigold IceUnity, will be an exciting complement to this year's show, as well as 2011 World ice dance bronze medalists, Maia and Alex Shibutani. We are also pleased to feature our own Club members: 2013 U.S. pairs champions Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir, 2013 U.S. men's silver medalist Ross Miner, and 2012 Skate America ladies silver medalist Christina Gao.

#### The Team

A number of exciting plans are in store for this year's production as Timothy LeBlanc again leads the Creative Team as Show Director, with Jason Wong as Head Choreographer. A team of new and returning Creative Team members join them, including Choreographers Melanie Lambert and Marissa Castelli, as well as Associate Choreographers Pippa Teague, Linda Blount, Tasney Laforme, Heidi MacDonald, Merita Mullen, and Christie Allan-Piper.

Ice Chips Co-Chair Kim Donlan says this year's show is poised to be just as grand as last year's 100th Anniversary Celebration — new and exciting things are in store for both skaters and audience members. "It's going to be another amazing spectacle! The Creative Team is working hard to showcase our cast of talented skaters through another visually pleasing and epic production."



Marigold IceUnity, from Finland, 2012 World Synchronized Skating Champions, will headline this year's Ice Chips

#### **Showtimes**

Saturday, April 13 at 1:00 pm Saturday, April 13 at 7:00 pm Sunday, April 14 at 2:00 pm

#### **Cast Party and Reception**

Sunday, April 14 at 5:00 pm

#### Tickets are on sale now!

Visit or call the Box Office at 617-782-5900 (ext. 15).

For more information be sure to visit www.icechips.org.

# **Skating Academy Busier than Ever**

#### The Skating Academy

This is peak season for The Skating Academy. Smiling faces fill all four campuses as we pass our knowledge from one generation of skaters to the next. We reached maximum capacity on Monday evenings at the Club and have record-high enrollment at our weekend classes. Our satellite campuses of Foxboro, Marlborough and Frog Pond continue to introduce new skaters to the Club.

#### **Basic Skills Competitions**

The Skating Academy hosts several Basic Skills competitions throughout the year. Upcoming competitions are scheduled for March 16 in Marlborough and June 8 in Foxboro. We still need volunteers for June 8 in Foxboro. If you are interested, contact Cheri Rigby at cheri.rigby@scboston.org. These competitions are the perfect opportunity for developing skaters to get a taste of the excitement, challenges and rewards that are part of figure skating. They are a lot of fun and, if you can lend a hand, you too can be part of the action.

#### **Ice Chips**

Skating in *Ice Chips* is a guaranteed good time; you make new friends, entertain the audience and become part of a Boston tradition.

#### **Summer Camp**

Another Skating Academy program that we are excited to share with you is our summer camp, held at Babson College, July 15–19 and 22–26.

Registration is still open. To enroll, please visit www.skatingacademy.org and click on the Camp/Events tab. We are happy to announce that Melanie Lambert and Fred Palascak will once again be our head coaches. Camp is open to skaters working on Basic 4 through pre-juvenile. Please call 617-78-SKATE if you have any additional questions. Early enrollment is strongly recommended.



Summer Camp off-ice training

#### Stay in Touch with Us

The Skating Academy relies on email to keep in touch with our students, parents and staff. If you are not on our email list or your address has changed, please go to our website and click on the Subscribe for Email Updates tab on the home page's lower-right hand side.

# Frog Pond: Another Active Season

The skating season is now winding down after another busy winter of skating at The Frog Pond. When the weather is good, the rink is full of tourists and locals alike.

The Skating in the Schools program is in its second season and is enjoying steady growth. We now have 38 students participating from two schools. Fred Palascak created and teaches an innovative science curriculum, 'The Art and Science of Skating." Students from Roslindale's Washington Irving Middle School were recently taught a physics lesson on the ice at Frog Pond. Experiential learning is what this program is all about. We are getting kids excited about science both in and out of the classroom!

The skating season is tentatively set to wrap up on March 17, weather permitting. The carousel is tentatively set to open on Patriots Day weekend.

# **Marlborough Holiday Show Delights Many**

Marlborough celebrated last holiday season with its Annual Holiday Show. More than 75 performers — Skating Academy students; Team Excel (Beginner Gold Exhibition team, Marlborough, Pre-Juvenile team, and Senior team); Theatre On Ice (Center Stage and Encore); and many Club soloists — delighted audience members with their stunning performances. Many thanks to all the skaters, coaches, volunteers, spectators and parents for making this event a great success.

The Winter/Spring Schedule has begun; check The Skating Club of Boston website (www.scboston.org) for a full listing of practice hours. Also watch for upcoming information on the April Vacation Workshop and new off-ice additions to our summer schedule



Jacqueline Raftery and friends, photo courtesy of Jeanne Raftery

# **Foxboro Celebrates National Skating Month**



Skaters relaxing after show, photo courtesy of Karen Bressler

In January, Foxboro celebrated National Skating Month. Soloists Jacqueline Raftery and Alaina Dunn, along with Team Excel skaters, performed a spectacular display of figure skating, directed by Mandy Curtin and Karen Bressler. After the performances, in honor of National Skating Month, Club members and friends enjoyed a free skate to celebrate the joy of skating.

National Skating Month offers rinks and local programs the opportunity to celebrate skating, notify local media, and invite members to perform and host activities that will attract new families to the wonderful world of skating. Through a series of organized on- and off-ice activities, everyone enjoyed a fun-filled day at the rink!

# In Memoriam

#### **Abbot Peterson III**

April 1937 – December 2012

When meeting Abbot for the first time, your first impression was of a very distinguished, tall, and patrician-looking gentleman with a name to match, Abbot Peterson III. However, it would not take long for you to realize that behind this façade was a man with a dry sense of humor, a tremendous sense of loyalty to friends and to The Skating Club of Boston, with the willingness to volunteer his time to further the Clubs' mission.

Abbot joined the Club in 1972 along with his wife, Barbara, and their two daughters, Beth and Cindy. The youngest daughter, Mitzi, was born later that year.

Abbot served on many Club committees. He was Chairman of Ice Chips, and for many years assisted long-time announcer Fred Ward in the control booth. Abbot served on the Board of Governors from 1975–1976, as Secretary from 1976–1978, Vice-President from 1978–1980, and finally as President from 1985–1987. His calm leadership style made him an extremely popular officer of The Skating Club. During his presidency, the Club celebrated its 75th Anniversary in the Oval Ballroom at the Copley Plaza. Abbot was also instrumental in bringing Mary and Evy Scotvold to the Club whose students, Nancy Kerrigan and Paul Wiley, went on to win silver medals at the 1992 Olympics. It was inspirational for all the young Club skaters to share the ice with Olympic competitors during this period.

The fact that Abbot and Barbara remained members of the Club for more than 40 years is a tribute to their devotion, care and interest in the sport, their friends and the Club. They supported the Club through their presence at many special events, most recently the 100th Anniversary "Skater's Ball" and the recent Reunion Dinner and fundraiser.

The Club has lost a stalwart champion and he shall be missed by our members.

# **New Members**

#### Introductory

Mrs. Jeanne Diehl (Julianne) Holden, MA

Mrs. Lisa Kaneb (Margaret) Cambridge, MA

Mr. Don and Mrs. Akiko MacDonald (Joe, Sarah) Watertown, MA

Mrs. Erika Thoft-Brown (Sophie) Brookline, MA

#### Team

Mr. Will Cioffi Wakefield, MA

Mrs. Jamie Hull Brighton, MA

#### Non-Resident Family

Dr. Anita-Ann Jerosch (Franz-Peter) Yarmouth, ME

# **Tests Passed**

Congratulations to all our skaters who passed their tests! The results posted here are from November through December 2012. If you don't see your result here, please look for it in our next issue. We print results based on those available on the U.S. Figure Skating website. Results are compiled by Aaron Williams.

#### **Pre-Preliminary Moves**

Idris Abercrombie John Baker Lauren Clang Caroline DeStefano Dana DiChiro Olivia Elba Claire Fleming April Kwan Lily Lipka Lauren Weinstein Elena Yaghoobian

#### **Preliminary Moves**

Sophie Basseches Adriana Dunn Mykala Green Katherine Keating Sophie Le Jessica Ricketts Ava Schipani Yurika Tarui

#### **Pre-Juvenile Moves**

Caitria Catania Siobhan Collins Juliet Patrick Kelly Petitpas Noa Popko Nicole Rezza Elana Sargent Elisabeth Tabor Cassandra White

#### **Juvenile Moves**

Grace Austin Alexis Caron Avital Liberzon Ever McMillan Rory O'Brien Annabelle Rie Adriana Rochelle Jillian Smart Abigail Trivella Kelly Trivella

#### **Intermediate Moves**

Kathleen Gordon Ashley Harkins June Kim Natalie Levinson Lindsey Scally Madeleine Weiler

#### **Novice Moves**

Dominique LaFlash

#### **Senior Moves**

Caroline Gordon Maddey Juliano Courtney O'Regan

#### **Adult Silver Moves**

Paula Carey

#### **Pre-Juvenile Pair**

Ashley Ardizoni

#### **Preliminary Dance**

Madeline Amidon Adriana Rochelle

#### **Bronze Dance**

TJ Carey

#### **Junior Free Dance**

Elizabeth Zhang

#### **Pre-Preliminary Free**

Idris Abercrombie John Baker Lauren Clang Caroline DeStefano Olivia Elba Caili Hayes April Kwan Sophie Le Elana Sargent Elena Vietri Elena Yaghoobian

#### **Preliminary Free**

Juliet Burr Annie d'Arbeloff Nori d'Arbeloff Mykala Green Katherine Keating Andrew Miller Korda Hanna Mochida Jessica Ricketts Adriana Rochelle

#### **Pre-Juvenile Free**

Emma Condie Tamsin Edwards Faith Olivia Graves Avital Liberzon Ever McMillan Nikki Montanaro Jillian Smith Isabelle Villafuerte Cassandra White Jessica White Paige Whouley

#### **Juvenile Free**

Paris Baker Emilia Bartel Madeline Gupta

#### **Intermediate Free**

Victoria Fater Kathleen Gordon Ashley Harkins Kate Lummis Elisa Raymond

#### **Junior Free**

Lina Takaoka

# **Competition Results**

Competition results compiled by **Jeanne** and **Jacqueline Raftery**.

# **2012 Thanksgiving Classic** Nicole **Synchronized Skating Competition** (17.23)

Plymouth, MA November 3, 2012

#### **Preliminary Free Skate**

Team Excel Crystals-4th

#### 2013 Eastern Sectional Championships

Hyannis, MA November 8–13, 2012

#### **Juvenile Girls Free Skate**

Gabriella Izzo—1st (45.87) Tori Rotella—4th (44.43)

### **Intermediate Ladies Short Program**

Jin Baseman-2nd (32.86)

#### **Intermediate Ladies Free Skate**

Jin Baseman—4th (52.67)

### **Intermediate Ladies Final Standing**

Jin Baseman-1st (85.53)

#### **Novice Ladies Short Program**

Rebecca Peng—4th (35.53) Megan Wessenberg—6th (34.75) Isabelle Dost—8th (32.23)

#### **Novice Ladies Free Skate**

Rebecca Peng—3rd (64.46) Megan Wessenberg—4th (64.19) Isabelle Dost—6th (60.52)

#### **Novice Ladies Final Standing**

Rebecca Peng—3rd (99.99) Megan Wessenberg—4th (98.94) Isabelle Dost—8th (92.75)

#### **Novice Men Short Program**

Bennett Gottlieb—6th (32.00) Adrian Huertas—8th (29.42)

#### **Novice Men Free Skate**

Bennett Gottlieb—5th (67.74) Adrian Huertas—8th (61.29)

### Novice Men Final Standing

Bennett Gottlieb—6th (99.74) Adrian Huertas—8th (90.71)

#### **Novice Pairs Short Program**

Nicole Lee and Timothy Habeeb—5th (17.23)

#### **Novice Pairs Free Skate**

Nicole Lee and Timothy Habeeb—3rd (50.03)

#### **Novice Pairs Final Standing**

Nicole Lee and Timothy Habeeb—4th (67.26)

#### **Junior Ladies Short Program**

Heidi Munger—9th (36.34) Olivia Pastore—12th (28.90)

#### **Junior Ladies Free Skate**

Heidi Munger—7th (67.18) Olivia Pastore—10th (58.06)

#### **Junior Ladies Final Standing**

Heidi Munger—7th (103.52) Olivia Pastore—11th (86.96)

#### **Junior Men Short Program**

Liam Beatson—9th (29.96)

#### **Junior Men Free Skate**

Liam Beatson—9th (56.30)

#### **Junior Men Final Standing**

Liam Beatson-9th (86.26)

#### **Junior Pairs Short Program**

Alexandria Shaughnessy and James Morgan—2nd (41.45)

#### **Junior Pairs Free Skate**

Alexandria Shaughnessy and James Morgan—2nd (75.31)

#### **Junior Pairs Final Standing**

Alexandria Shaughnessy and James Morgan—2nd (116.76)

#### **Senior Ladies Short Program**

Yasmin Siraj—3rd (48.88) Jenelle Herman—8th (41.40) Alexandria Shaughnessy—10th (36.09) Maria Kalina—12th (34.55)

#### **Senior Ladies Free Skate**

Yasmin Siraj—2nd (102.47) Jenelle Herman—6th (80.18) Maria Kalina—10th (67.85) Alexandria Shaughnessy—11th (66.62)

#### **Senior Ladies Final Standing**

Yasmin Siraj—2nd (151.35) Jenelle Herman—6th (121.58) Alexandria Shaughnessy—11th (102.71) Maria Kalina—12th (102.40)

#### **Senior Men Short Program**

Stephen Carriere—1st (67.87) Harrison Choate—3rd (64.08) Kevin Coppola—10th (33.66)

#### Senior Men Free Skate

Stephen Carriere—1st (137.05) Harrison Choate—2nd (126.76) Kevin Coppola—1oth (83.33)

#### **Senior Men Final Standing**

Stephen Carriere—1st (204.92) Harrison Choate—2nd (190.84) Kevin Coppola—10th (116.99)

#### **Senior Dance Short Dance**

Isabella Cannuscio and Michael Bramante—1st (56.91) Anastasia Cannuscio and Colin McManus—2nd (51.18)

#### **Senior Dance Free Dance**

Anastasia Cannuscio and Colin McManus—1st (85.23) Isabella Cannuscio and Michael Bramante—2nd (83.01)

#### **Senior Dance Final Standing**

Isabella Cannuscio and Michael Bramante—1st (139.92) Anastasia Cannuscio and Colin McManus—2nd (136.41)

#### 2012 Trophee Eric Bompard

Paris, France November 16–18, 2012

#### **Senior Ladies Short Program**

Christina Gao-7th (52.55)

#### Senior Ladies Free Skate Christina Gao—4th (112.16)

#### **Senior Ladies Final Result**

Christina Gao—4th (164.71)

# **Competition Results (cont.)**

2012 NHK Trophy

Sendai, Japan November 23–25, 2012

Senior Men Short Program

Ross Miner-4th (73.41)

Senior Men Free Skate Ross Miner—3rd (161.96)

**Senior Men Final Standing** 

Ross Miner—3rd (235.37)

**Senior Pairs Short Program**Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir—

3rd (61.85)

**Senior Pairs Free Skate** 

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir—3rd (112.66)

**Senior Pairs Final Standing** 

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir—3rd (174.51)

2012 Grand Prix Final

Sochi, Russia December 6–9, 2012

**Senior Ladies Short Program** 

Christina Gao—6th (48.56)

Senior Ladies Free Skate Christina Gao—6th (105.98)

**Senior Ladies Final Standing** 

Christina Gao-6th (154.54)

**2012** Cape Cod Synchronized Skating Classic

Sandwich, MA December 7–9, 2012

**Senior Short Program** 

Team Excel—3rd (34.96)

**Intermediate Free Skate** 

Team Excel-6th (41.76)

**Collegiate Free Skate** 

Team Excel—1st (62.11)

**Juvenile Free Skate** 

Team Excel—8th

**Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Group A** 

Team Excel Crystals-5th

Beginner 2 Free Skate Group B

Team Excel Crystals—2nd

Beginner 1 Free Skate Group C

Team Excel Crystals—3rd

**Preliminary Free Skate Group B** 

Team Excel Crystals-5th

2013 Colonial Classic Synchronized Skating Classic

Lowell, MA January 4–6, 2013

**Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Group A** Team Excel Crystals—2nd

Team Excel Crystals—211d

**Preliminary Free Skate Group B** 

Team Excel Crystals—6th

**Juvenile Free Skate** 

Team Excel—9th

**Intermediate Free Skate** 

Team Excel—8th (37.97)



Team Excel Crystals White, Beginner 1 team

**2013** New England Challenge Cup

Westborough, MA January 19, 2013

Beginner 1 Free Skate Group A
Team Excel Crystals White—2nd

Beginner 1 Free Skate Group B

Team Excel Crystals Black—3rd

**Beginner 2 Free Skate Group A**Team Excel—3rd

2013 Prudential U.S. Figure Skating Championships

Omaha, NE January 20–27,2013

**Juvenile Girls Free Skate** 

Gabriella Izzo—9th (41.68) Tori Rotella—12th (39.85)

Intermediate Ladies Short Program

Jin Baseman-8th (30.31)

**Intermediate Ladies Free Skate** 

Jin Baseman—5th (59.91)

**Intermediate Ladies Overall Standing** 

Jin Baseman—7th (90.22)

**Novice Ladies Short Program** 

Megan Wessenberg—5th (37.21) Rebecca Peng—8th (35.36)

**Novice Ladies Free Skate** 

Rebecca Peng—5th (69.74) Megan Wessenberg—10th (66.81)

**Novice Ladies Overall Standing** 

Rebecca Peng—7th (105.40) Megan Wessenberg—9th (104.02)

**Novice Pairs Short Program** 

Nicole Lee and Timothy Habeeb—13th (17.73)

**Novice Pairs Free Skate** 

Nicole Lee and Timothy Habeeb—12th (47.88)

**Novice Pairs Overall Standing** 

Nicole Lee and Timothy Habeeb—12th (65.61)

**Junior Pairs Short Program** 

Alexandria Shaughnessy and James Morgan—10th (37.45)

**Junior Pairs Free Skate** 

Alexandria Shaughnessy and James Morgan—10th (73.23)

**Junior Pairs Overall Standing** 

Alexandria Shaughnessy and James Morgan—10th (110.68)

# **Competition Results (cont.)**

#### Championship Ladies Short Program

Christina Gao—5th (58.74) Yasmin Siraj—6th (57.88)

#### **Championship Ladies Free Skate**

Christina Gao—4th (117.54) Yasmin Siraj—5th (117.19)

### Championship Ladies Overall Standing

Christina Gao—5th (176.28) Yasmin Siraj—6th (175.07)

#### Championship Men Short Program

Ross Miner—2nd (80.99) Stephen Carriere—17th (62.77) Harrison Choate—19th (57.66)

#### Championship Men Free Skate

Ross Miner—2nd (170.30) Stephen Carriere—9th (138.53) Harrison Choate—15th (129.45)

### Championship Men Overall Standing

Ross Miner—2nd (251.29) Stephen Carriere—10th (201.30) Harrison Choate—17th (187.11)

### **Championship Pairs Short Program**

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir— 1st (62.27) Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff— 7th (49.81)

#### **Championship Pairs Free Skate**

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir—3rd (118.34) Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff—5th (109.79)

### Championship Pairs Overall Standing

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir— 1st (180.61) Gretchen Donlan and Andrew Speroff— 6th (159.67)

#### **Championship Dance Short Dance**

Anastasia Cannuscio and Colin McManus—6th (56.33) Isabella Cannuscio and Michael Bramante—8th (52.51)

#### **Championship Dance Free Dance**

Anastasia Cannuscio and Colin McManus—6th (85.99) Isabella Cannuscio and Michael Bramante—8th (76.57)

### **Championship Dance Final Standing**

Anastasia Cannuscio and Colin McManus—6th (142.32) Isabella Cannuscio and Michael Bramante—9th (129.08)

# **2013** Eastern Synchronized Sectional Championships

Lake Placid, NY January 31–February 2, 2013

#### Preliminary Free Skate Qualifying Round A

Team Excel Crystals-6th

#### Pre-Juvenile Free Skate Qualifying Round B

Team Excel Crystals-4th

#### **Pre-Juvenile Free Skate**

Team Excel Crystals—10th

#### **Juvenile Free Skate**

Excel Crystals-8th

#### **Intermediate Free Skate**

Team Excel—6th (39.80)

#### **Senior Short Program**

Team Excel—1st (31.85)

#### **Senior Free Skate**

Team Excel—1st (52.95)

#### **Senior Final Standing**

Team Excel—1st (84.80)

#### Collegiate Free Skate

Team Excel—1st (69.94)

# **2013 Four Continents** Championships

Osaka, Japan February 6–11, 2013

#### Ladies Short Program Christina Gao—4th (62.34)

#### **Ladies Free Skate**

Christina Gao-5th (113.94)

#### **Ladies Final Standing**

Christina Gao-4th (176.28)

#### **Men Short Program**

Ross Miner—9th (74.01)

#### **Men Free Skate**

Ross Miner—7th (140.35)

#### **Men Final Standing**

Ross Miner—9th (214.36)

#### **Pairs Short Program**

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir—3rd (53.06)

#### **Pairs Free Skate**

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir—3rd (117.04)

#### **Pairs Final Standing**

Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir—3rd (170.10)

#### 2013 ISU World Junior Figure Skating Championships

Milan, Italy February 25–March3, 2013

#### **Junior Ladies Short Program**

Yasmin Siraj—13th (47.65)

#### **Junior Ladies Free Skate**

Yasmin Siraj—9th (91.43)

#### **Junior Ladies Final Standing**

Yasmin Siraj—11th (139.08)

# **2013** U.S. Synchronized Skating Championships

Plymouth, MI February 27–March 2, 2013

#### Senior Short Program

Team Excel—9th (28.19)

#### Senior Free Skate

Team Excel—9th (61.08)

#### **Senior Final Standing**

Team Excel—9th (89.27)

#### Collegiate Free Skate

Team Excel—4th (77.12)

# **Upcoming Calendars**

# March

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
					U.S. Synchro Championships, Michigan	U.S. Synchro Championships, Michigan
					World Jr. Cham- pionships, Italy	World Jr. Cham- pionships, Italy
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
World Jr. Cham- pionships, Italy			Dance/Moves Tests, Boston		World Championships send-off, 6 pm	
10	11	12	13	14	15 Irish Night Dinner	Basic Skills Competition, Marlborough 9-5
Ice Chips photo day	World Champion- ships, Canada	World Champion- ships, Canada				
Frog Pond closes Free Skate/ Moves Tests, Boston World Champion- ships, Canada	18	19	20	21	Ice Chips Casual Dinner	23
24	25	26	27	28	lce Chips Casual Dinner	30
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# **April**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Ice Chips
					lce Chips Casual Dinner	run-through, Boston
			World Synchro Championships, Boston Univ.	World Synchro Championships, Boston Univ.	World Synchro Championships, Boston Univ.	World Synchro Championships, Boston Univ.
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Ice Chips dress rehearsal, Boston					Ice Chips technical rehearsal, Harvard Univ., 3 pm—10 pm	Ice Chips, 1 pm & 7 pm
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Ice Chips, 2 pm Cast Party, 5 pm					Free Skate/Moves Tests, Foxboro	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Free Skate/Moves Tests, Boston						
28	29	30				
Club Competition						

# May

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			Dance/Moves Tests, Boston			Governing Council, Colorado
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Free Skate/Moves Tests, Boston						
Governing Council, Colorado						
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
					Annual Meeting	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

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