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GOOD LUCK to Our 25 Competitors!



South Atlantic Exhibitions, Send-Off Party

The 2011 South Atlantic Regional Championships exhibitions were held during Club Ice at The Cooler on September 24 and October 1 with a send-off party following the last exhibition. The Championships will be held on October 8 - 10 (non-qualifying) and October 15 - 19 (qualifying) in Wake Forest, NC.

Many thanks to all of the volunteers who handled the exhibitions and party. Photos are on pages 2 - 4.



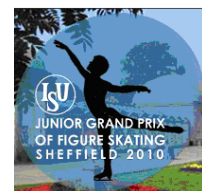
Coach Brittney Bottoms, Tim Dolensky, Team Leader John Millier

**Junior Grand Prix
Sheffield, Great Britain
September 29 - October 2**

JUNIOR MEN - TIM DOLENSKY

Final	4th/22
Free Skate	5th/22
Short Program	5th/22

Congratulations!





Cheyenne Conover (Pre-Preliminary), Ansleigh Rainey (No Test)

NON-QUALIFYING



Grace Rathbun, Madeleine Brown, Lily Xie, Sydnie Jiang (Preliminary)



Helena Fisher (Pre-Juvenile), Emily Haar (Open Juvenile), MacKenzie Kisella (Pre-Juvenile). Not pictured: Dezarae Vazquez (Open Juvenile)



Ying Yip (No Test), Katelyn Champion (Pre-Preliminary), Rahly Osenbaugh (No Test), Mingda Liu (No Test), Lily Dwyer (Pre-Preliminary)



Martine Szanto (Novice), Alexander Aiken (Junior),
Jamie Kim (Senior)

QUALIFYING



Tim Dolensky
(Junior)



Kamayla Ko, Amanda Bao, Jabe Roberts, Alice Qiao (Juvenile), Taylor Johnson and
Maya Neel (Intermediate)



The Party!

THANK  YOU!

Tami Mickle, Barry Johnson,
 Lei Bao, Eric Bohnstedt,
 Virginia Cha, Anna Marie Champion,
 Dale Haar, Sharon Hyre, Tea Junnila,
 Juvy Ko, Anya Martynenko, Peggy McCarthy,
 Leon Qiao, John Richardson, An and Bill
 Roberts, Kathy Shehee, Louise Szanto,
 Angela Vazquez.



PRIZES!



**FAMILY
SKATE!**

THEME

International traditional holiday dishes (e.g., Aunt Dot's fudge cake)

Bring your family's favorite holiday food to share (and the recipe if you're willing to divulge the secret)

SCHEDULE

5:45 PM On-Ice Family Skate!

Upstairs (no skates allowed): Appetizers and Beverages for non-skating guests while skaters enjoy fun and games on the ice

6:45 PM Party Rooms: Entrees, Veggies, Desserts for everyone

Date: November 19





Magic City Ice Classic
Birmingham FSC, Birmingham, AL
September 10 - 12

INTERMEDIATE LADIES

Free Skate

Taylor Johnson 3rd/6

Short Program

Grace Liu 3rd/6

Taylor Johnson 4th/6

Maya Neel 5th/6

INTERMEDIATE/NOVICE

Spins

Maya Neel 1st/3

Grace Liu 2nd/3

Taylor Johnson 3rd/3

Jumps

Taylor Johnson 1st/3

Grace Liu 2nd/3

Maya Neel 3rd/3

OPEN JUVENILE

Free Skate

Maya Neel 1st/5

Grace Liu 2nd/5

Hayley Nunnally 4th/5

Tinsley Cohen 5th/5

PRE-JUVENILE

Free Skate

MacKenzie Kisella 1st/3

Compulsory Moves

Madeleine Brown 1st/2

Spins

Kayla Moradi 1st/3

Madeleine Brown 2nd/3

Jumps

Kayla Moradi 1st/1

PRELIMINARY

Free Skate, Grp. A

Madeleine Brown 3rd/5

Kayla Moradi 4th/5

Free Skate, Grp. B

Lily Nell Downing 2nd/6

Compulsory Moves

Kayla Moradi 2nd/7

Natalie Martin 5th/7

Spins, Grp. A

Drew Bryant 1st/4

Natalie Martin 4th/4

Jumps

Natalie Martin 1st/3

PRE-PRELIMINARY

Free Skate, Grp. A

Lily Dwyer 1st/6

Drew Bryant 2nd/6

Katelyn Champion 3rd/6

Natalie Martin 4th/6

Olivia Barnes 6th/6

Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Mingda Liu 2nd/5

Alexa Phillips 4th/5

Olivia Barnes 5th/5

Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Katelyn Champion 3rd/5

Olivia Shapiro 4th/5

Spins

Mingda Liu 1st/7

Katelyn Champion 2nd/7

Olivia Shapiro 3rd/7

Alexa Phillips 5th/7

Olivia Barnes 6th/7

Jumps

Olivia Barnes 1st/5

Alexa Phillips 5th/5

NO TEST

Free Skate, Grp. A

Mingda Liu 2nd/7

Rahly Osenbaugh 5th/7

Olivia Shapiro 6th/7

Alexa Phillips 7th/7

NO TEST

Free Skate, Grp. B

Andrea Carrasquilla 1st/8

Ying Yip 6th/8

Test Track Free Skate

Ansleigh Rainey 1st/4

Compulsory Moves, Grp. A

Rahly Osenbaugh 1st/4

Ansleigh Rainey 4th/4

Compulsory Moves, Grp. B

Ying Yip 2nd/4

Spins

Ying Yip 1st/5 Tie

Rahly Osenbaugh 1st/5 Tie

Ansleigh Rainey 4th/5

Jumps

Ansleigh Rainey 1st/1

FREE SKATE 3

Program with Music

Korina Shapiro 2nd/2

Elements

Korina Shapiro 2nd/2

BASIC 8

Program with Music

Stephanie Amodeo 1st/2

Elements

Stephanie Amodeo 1st/1



Left to right: Ansleigh Rainey, Katelyn Champion, Mingda Liu, Madeleine Brown, Ying Yip, Rahly Osenbaugh and coach Eric Bohnstedt.





PEACH OPEN AND PEACH CLASSIC

Georgia FSC, Duluth, GA

September 4 - 5

JUNIOR MEN

Short Program

Tim Dolensky 1st/1

NOVICE LADIES

Free Skate

Martine Szanto 1st/3

Breanna Voyce 3rd/3

Short Program

Martine Szanto 1st/4

Breanna Voyce 2nd/4

Annika Carter 3rd/4

INTERMEDIATE LADIES

Short Program

Alice Qiao 1st/3

JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate

Alice Qiao 1st/4

MacKenzie Kisella 3rd/4

OPEN JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate

Lillian Ko 1st/3

Grace Liu 2nd/3

Dezarae Vazquez 3rd/3

OPEN JUVENILE GIRLS

Short Program

Grace Liu 1st/2

Dezarae Vazquez 2nd/2

Jumps

Grace Liu 1st/3

Dezarae Vazquez 2nd/3

Lillian Ko 3rd/3

Spins

Grace Liu 1st/2

Dezarae Vazquez 2nd/2

PRE-JUVENILE

Compulsory Moves

Grace Rathbun 2nd/2

Spins

Grace Rathbun 3rd/3

PRELIMINARY GIRLS

Free Skate

Grace Rathbun 4th/8

Compulsory Moves

Lily Dwyer 4th/5

Spins

Emily Stark 1st/2

Jumps

Emily Stark 1st/1

PRE-PRELIMINARY GIRLS

Free Skate B

Emily Stark 1st/8

Lily Dwyer 5th/8

Amanda McDaniel 7th/8

Compulsory Moves

Emily Stark 4th/8

Hannah Carleton 7th/8

Rachel Sinclair 8th/8

Jumps

Hannah Carleton 2nd/3

Rachel Sinclair 3rd/3

Spins

Hannah Carleton 2nd/2

NO TEST

Free Skate B

Hannah Carleton 1st/8

Alyssa Levitt 6th/8

Rachel Sinclair 7th/8

Spins

Rachel Sinclair 1st/3

Alyssa Levitt 2nd/3



SILVER DANCE

Tina Gravenstein (Georgia FSC)/

John Richardson

Final 2nd/2

First Dance 1st/2

Second Dance 2nd/2



Grace Rathbun, coach Barbara Wagner, Rachel Sinclair, and Hannah Carleton.

Middle Atlantic FS Championships

The SC of New York

New York, NY

September 10 - 12



JUNIOR MEN

Free Skate Alexander Aiken 2nd/3

Short Program Alexander Aiken 2nd/3



Rocket City Classic
SC of Huntsville, Huntsville, AL
August 20 - 21

JUNIOR MEN

Free Skate

Tim Dolensky 1st/1

Short Program

Tim Dolensky 1st/1

NOVICE LADIES

Free Skate

Martine Szanto 1st/3

Short Program

Martine Szanto 1st/3

JUVENILE GIRLS

Short Program

Helena Fisher 1st/2

JUVENILE - NOVICE

Showcase

Helena Fisher 1st/2

Emily Haar 2nd/2

OPEN JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate

Emily Haar 1st/7

Tinsley Cohen 3rd/7

Short Program

Emily Haar 1st/3

PRE-JUVENILE

Free Skate

Helena Fisher 2nd/6

Jumps

Ally Chebuhar 2nd/3

Sydney Jiang 3rd/3

Spins

Ally Chebuhar 1st/4

PRE-JUVENILE -

JUVENILE

Interpretive

Ally Chebuhar 1st/2

PRELIMINARY B

Free Skate

Ally Chebuhar 1st/6

Sydney Jiang 2nd/6

Lily Downing 6th/6

PRELIMINARY -

PRE-JUVENILE

Showcase

Sydney Jiang 1st/5

Ally Chebuhar 4th/5

PRE-PRELIMINARY B

Free Skate

Amanda McDaniel 7th/8

PRE-SILVER

Solo Dance

Helena Fisher 2nd/2

BRONZE

Solo Dance

Emily Haar 1st/1

BEGINNER -

PRE-PRELIMINARY

Showcase, Grp. A

Madeline Green 2nd/5

BEGINNER 1

Free Skate, Grp. A

Madeline Green 1st/7

BEGINNER II

Free Skate, Grp. A

Alexa Davila 5th/7

BEGINNER

Jumps

Alexa Davila 5th/7

Madeline Green 6th/7

Spins

Alexa Davila 1st/3



John Smith Memorial Competition

Carolinas FSC. Indian Trail, NC

September 17 - 19

JUNIOR MEN

Free Skate Alexander Aiken 1st/1

NOVICE LADIES

Free Skate Martine Szanto 7th/10

Short Program Martine Szanto 3rd/10



NEW MEMBERS!

Cheyenne Conover

Jennifer Conover

Rodney Conover

Olivia Barnes

Belen Bricchi

Max Bricchi

Silvia Salvagno

LeeAnne Duncan

Della Duncan

Qian Zhou

Annalie Jiang

Athena Landon

Barbara Landon



National Showcase By: Nancy Ellis Riggs



National Showcase: A Competition in Theatrical Skating was held August 5-7 on Cape Cod, Massachusetts. I represented the Atlanta FSC, along with Ariel Collins, Helena Fisher, and Angela Smith. The competition is a little different from most that you might attend. As you can guess, all of the events are showcase or interpretive types of events.

The categories are dramatic, light, duet and extemporaneous. Skaters are further divided by age and/or level. There is also a competition for mini productions and production ensembles. In order to qualify, you must place fourth or better in one of these events during the competitive season.

The main difference for the skaters is the spotlights! You do have an opportunity to practice with the spotlights. I was assigned a session the afternoon I flew into Boston. I arrived at the rink in Hyannis in time to put on my skates and get on the ice! Next time, I will wear workout clothes on the plane. The lights make it a bit difficult to tell how much room you have. I did see one skater in the competition run into the wall; I was glad that I wasn't wearing my monkey mask (I chose my scarecrow program). Another difference is that there is a curtain blocking off one end of the ice, so you have about 20% less ice (not a problem for me). The space behind the curtain is also your only warm-up space, except in the extemporaneous event.

The extemporaneous event was exciting for me, because I had never done one, since none of our local competitions have this event for adults. (If you qualify in one category, you may also compete in others). Our music was a Kelly Clarkson ballad I'd never heard, but I managed to be expressive enough to win, which qualified me for the Parade of Extemporaneous Champions - a final round of the winners from all the levels, from preliminary to senior and adults. I was a bit outgunned! I improvised a comic "pairs" routine with a small raccoon puppet I had in my bag to the tango music from Moulin Rouge and got a lot of laughs. The biggest thrill was meeting Olympic champion Tenley Albright afterwards.

It was fun just to watch so many inventive, expressive and entertaining programs from skaters of various ages and abilities. Next time you qualify, I recommend that you go!

U.S. Figure Skating To Offer Online Store Discounts, Gold Medal Jacket for Successful Testing

U.S. Figure Skating recently introduced a new recognition program for successful testing. Once a passed test is registered by the test chair, a congratulatory e-mail will be sent to the athlete from U.S. Figure Skating President Patricia St. Peter. The message will also invite the recipient to complete an online questionnaire about his or her participation in figure skating.



After completing the survey, the skater will receive a coupon code for a discount to the U.S. Figure Skating Online Store. The discount will start at 10 percent off for skaters passing pre-preliminary through pre-juvenile/pre-bronze and will increase for higher tests, with athletes passing a senior or gold test receiving 40 percent off.

U.S. Figure Skating has also created a Gold Medalist jacket (pictured) that can be purchased through the online store by anyone who has passed the senior or gold test. Athletes passing the test after July 1, 2010, may use their 40 percent off reward toward the purchase of a Gold Medalist jacket. The jackets can be purchased

Additional Atlanta FSC Official Appointments

2011 North Atlantic Regional Championships

Lake Placid, NY

October 1 - 5, 2010

Catherine Hackney Judge

Sharon Hyre Judge

Terri Maurice Judge



2011 New England Regional Championships

Simsbury, CT

October 8 -12, 2010

Alison Arnold Judge

Laurie Vieth Technical Specialist





Valuable Volunteers & Opportunities

By: Peggy McCarthy

One of the reasons the Atlanta FSC enjoys a strong reputation within the skating community is the effort of our talented and dedicated pool of volunteers. The club invites all parents and adult members to join the fun and help create a memorable year for our enthusiastic skaters by

contributing service hours.

DID YOU KNOW?

Because the AFSC is a non-profit organization, all club-sponsored events are staffed 100% by volunteers. Even our outstanding pool of judges is voluntary. We need your help for competitions, test sessions, club ice, special events, exhibitions, parties, consignment sales, and communications.

Therefore, all families who have Full, Newcomer, Test, or Adult Skating Members are asked to donate a minimum of four (4) hours of service by an adult (18 years+). Other membership categories are encouraged to volunteer, although not required.

Teams have been formed confirming your service area (as indicated on the Volunteer Team Form). You are welcome to serve on more than one team and are encouraged to volunteer across multiple events. Volunteering sends a strong message to your skater that his/her participation in skating is valued.

WHY CONTRIBUTE MORE THAN FOUR?

The more hours you contribute, the more events the club can offer our skaters, thus maximizing fun and the value of membership! For example, this spring the Atlanta FSC is organizing an ice show for April 29 - May 1 that will showcase all of our skating members. We need plenty of volunteer assistance to help produce a high quality and enjoyable show.

In addition, the club is looking for highly motivated volunteers to fill various leadership roles within the club; in particular, we need area chairs for competitions. Mentors are available to assist and train.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR JUNIOR MEMBERS

Junior skating members who need community service hours for school (e.g., Beta Club, National Honor Society) or simply want to give back to the club may volunteer for certain positions at competitions and other events. (Note – these hours do not count toward the required 4-hour family minimum.) For example, at the Magnolia Open and Atlanta Open, older teens may volunteer to assist in registration, awards, ice monitors, music, set up, or lead runners. Younger teens and children may work as runners.

THE REWARDS OF VOLUNTEERING

Volunteering for the club is really fulfilling for me - I feel like I get closer to everyone in the skating community. From teaching the younger kids to announcing at competitions, I love helping out the Atlanta FSC on behalf of my school's Beta Club.

~ Leigh Healey,
age 14

A couple of years ago when the club needed someone to serve as chair of runners, I had absolutely no clue about running a competition, but working together with other wonderful volunteers taught me a lot: you can learn more about the skating world, see the judges at work, feel the excitement, live the happy moments with successful skaters and offer a shoulder to cry on during the bad moments after a disappointing program. An open attitude and a big smile take you a long way in the learning process.

Being able to volunteer on different occasions has given me the opportunity to get to know the skaters and parents by name. It makes me and my family feel like home when we come to The Cooler to skate because it's like coming home to your other family - skating family. My adult "coffee club" morning public group has especially given me a lot of strength and hope that you can actually learn to skate as an adult!

For me volunteering is not counting the hours. Actually compared to many of the dance companies that require 60 hours annually, our 4 hour requirement is extremely reasonable. Sometimes those hours include freezing your butt counting minutes at the rink; sometimes it includes failing equipment and racing against time to fix the problem without anyone noticing. But every time it includes laughing with friends. I really have learned that the more you help out and get to know people, the more it helps you as a skater - and there is also just a nice little side effect: it also helps your club to become a better club! I recommend volunteering to everyone!

~ Tea Junnila

QUESTIONS/MORE INFORMATION?

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POTPOURRI Tests Passed

AUGUST 29

Amanda Bao	Novice Moves
Madeleine Brown	Pre-Juvenile Moves
Drew Bryant	Preliminary Moves
Andrea Carrasquilla	Preliminary Moves
Tinsley Cohen	Intermediate Moves Juvenile Free Skate
Katie Creecy	Preliminary Free Skate
Grace Elowe	Intermediate Moves
Julia Gu	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Preliminary Moves
Emily Haar	Juvenile Free Skate
Annalie Jiang	Preliminary Moves
Sydney Jiang	Juvenile Moves
Sky Johnson	Preliminary Moves
Elvira Junnila	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Preliminary Moves
Kamayla Ko	Novice Moves
Julia Kornetzke	Pre-Juvenile Moves
Mindga Liu	Pre-Preliminary Moves
Natalie Martin	Pre-Juvenile Moves
Emily Moosbrugger	Pre-Juvenile Moves
Maya Neel	Intermediate Free Skate
Stephanie Niu	Intermediate Moves
Emily Kate Nolan	Pre-Preliminary Moves
Dylan Oakes	Pre-Preliminary Moves
Haritha Pavuluri	Juvenile Moves
Alice Qiao	Junior Moves
Jabe Roberts	Juvenile Moves Juvenile Free Skate
Korina Shapiro	Pre-Preliminary Moves
Olivia Shapiro	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Pre-Juvenile Moves

Naomi Shneibaum	Preliminary Free Skate
Morgan Sliker	Pre-Preliminary Moves
Maria Son	Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Moves
Melody Wang	Preliminary Free Skate Juvenile Moves
Renee Wang	Pre-Juvenile Moves
Lily Xie	Preliminary Free Skate
Grace Ying	Juvenile Moves
Nile Ziegler	Pre-Preliminary Free Skate Preliminary Moves



*To
Our Judges
and Volunteers!*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Julie Lapina	1	Alison Arnold	16
Dawn Kisella	2	An Roberts	17
Terri Maurice		Gary Kisella	
Daisy Ellis	3	Qingxiang Niu	18
Wendi Hiller		Gary Carleton	19
Bill Pittman	4	Madeline Green	
Jonathon Roskos		Grace Crossen	21
Donald Williams	8	Jeb Rand	22
John Millier		Kong Ko	23
Judith Flair		Fran Gregory	24
Denise Carleton	9	Mercedes Moradi	25
Kristie Chepaitis		Bob Rausch	26
Darren Joseph	10	John Vazquez	27
Maya Neel		Grace Ying	29
Suesan Phillips		Howard Levitt	30
David Korn	14	Hunter Sohn	31
Shane Williams			

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Upcoming Events

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SPONSOR/LOCATION</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>
2011 South Atlantic Championships (Non-Qualifying)	October 8 - 10	Triangle FSC, Wake Forest, NC	
2011 South Atlantic Championships (Qualifying)	October 15 - 19	Triangle FSC, Wake Forest, NC	
2011 Eastern Sectional Championships	November 9 - 13	IceWorks SC, Aston, PA	
POTLUCK DINNER	November 19	Atlanta FSC	
2011 U.S. Junior FS Championships	December 14 -18	Salt Lake FSC, Salt Lake City, UT	
Holiday Ice Spectacular	December 18	Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre	
Nationals Road Trip	January 29	Atlanta FSC	
2011 U.S. FS Championships	January 22 - 30	Greensboro FSC. Greensboro, NC	
2011 Eastern Adult Sectional Championships	February 25 - 27	Pittsburgh FSC, Pittsburgh, PA	