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Members Win Eleven Medals at the 2018 Regional Championships

Our heartfelt congratulations to all 22 skaters who competed and represented our club so well at the 2018 South Atlantic Regional Qualifying and Non-Qualifying Championships and 2018 Eastern Great Lakes Regional Non-Qualifying Championships. Nine skaters captured 11 medals! Nine skaters also won 13 Special Achievement Awards (page 6.)

In the South Atlantic qualifying competition, **Georgia Bolocan**, **Jeslyn Choi**, and **Elvira Junnila** (all Intermediate) and **Katia Kochengina** and **Kaitlyn McGarigle** (both Juvenile) qualified for final rounds. In the non-qualifying competition, **Amelia Marsh** (High Beginner) qualified for the final round and won silver, while **Elisa Bode** (Pre-Preliminary) and **Cathy Sabella** (Adult Pre-Bronze) landed silver medals. In the Eastern Great Lakes non-qualifying competition, **Audrey Kate Johnson** won silver at the Juvenile test track level.

Results are listed on pages 5 - 6.



Gold	Silver	Bronze
Jeslyn Choi Amelia Marsh	Elisa Bode (2) Audrey Kate Johnson Elvira Junnila Amelia Marsh Cathy Sabella (2)	Georgia Bolocan Kaitlyn McGarigle

What's Happening

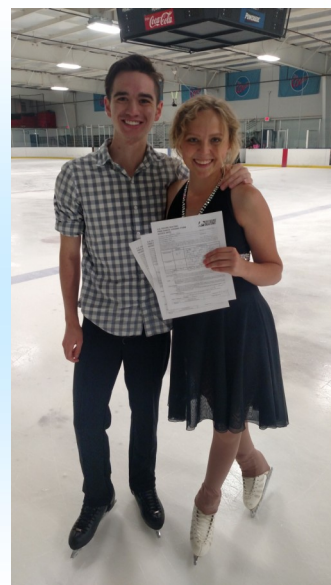
- Join us at Club Ice on November 10 for an introduction to synchronized skating with international coaches/competitors Marie Bureau and Iina Valtonen, 5:00 - 7:00 pm at The Cooler. Breelie and Tyler will also perform an exhibition.
- Come cheer for our skaters at the Atlantic Station Tree Lighting Exhibition and Parade on Saturday, November 18, 6:00 - 7:00 pm and at Avalon on Sunday, November 19, 1:00 - 2:00 pm.
- Thanksgiving party/games at Club Ice on November 17.
- We're going IJS! That's right - all free skate events from Pre-Preliminary - Juvenile and Adult Pre-Bronze - Gold (excludes test track) will be judged under the IJS system at the 2018 Magnolia Open. Details coming!

Good Luck

Breelie Taylor and Tyler Vollmer

Novice Dance

Pacific Coast Sectional Championships
Seattle, WA
November 15 - 19





SPOTLIGHT SKATER

Olivia Barnes

What are your favorite and least favorite elements?

My favorite element is double loop. My least favorite element is spins because they make me dizzy.

Favorite program

My favorite program is my current program. I love my music, Pink Floyd's "Shine on Crazy Diamond," and that really motivates me and helps me get into the program.

Most memorable event of your skating career?

When I was 7 going onto a warm up for a competition, I forgot to take off my blade guards and fell on the ice in front of everyone.

Who is your favorite skater?

Ashley Wagner. I love her attitude and presentation skills. I love how hard she works and her positive body image.

Whom do you admire most and why?

My Mom because she is always there for me and understands me well.

Tell us about your school and extracurricular activities.

I am a sophomore at Mount Vernon Presbyterian School. My favorite class is AP World. I also run track for MVPS and received awards for the schools fastest times in the 100 and 400 last year as a freshman.

I volunteer through my church, Peachtree Presbyterian, and have led small group for 5/6th grade students and worked as a camp counselor at our middle school camp.

Tell us about your family.

I have a brother, Luke, who is in 8th grade. I have a mini golden doodle named Georgia who my whole family is obsessed with.

What famous person would you most like to meet?

Selena Gomez because her life seems very interesting, and she is very inspirational.

Who would you choose to play you in the movie of your life?

Jennifer Lawrence

Best advice ever received

"Don't sweat the small stuff" - my coach, Chrissy Imperiale

My family is most like the TV show

"Modern Family" because my dad reminds me of Phil.

What are your future skating and educational goals?

My goals are to compete in final rounds at Regionals and complete my senior levels before I graduate from high school.

I'm not sure what I want to study in college, but I plan to attend college and will consider colleges with skating programs.

My favorite things are

My dog, my car, and my skates.

If I weren't a skater, I would have been

A tennis player or a musician

Tell us something about yourself or your family that no one knows.

My dad gave me a record player for my birthday and I love listening to albums from the 70's. Pink Floyd "Dark Side of the Moon" is my favorite.

If you were stranded on a deserted island, what three items would you absolutely have to have?

My iphone, my dog Georgia, and a boat

Favorite word: Silly

Least favorite word: Moist

What turns you off? People who smell bad

Favorite food: Sushi

Least favorite food: Tomatoes

Favorite TV Show: "Riverdale"

Favorite Movie: "Almost Famous"

Favorite Song: "Love on the Brain" by Rihanna

Favorite color: Yellow/gold

Sound I love: My skis cutting through fresh powder

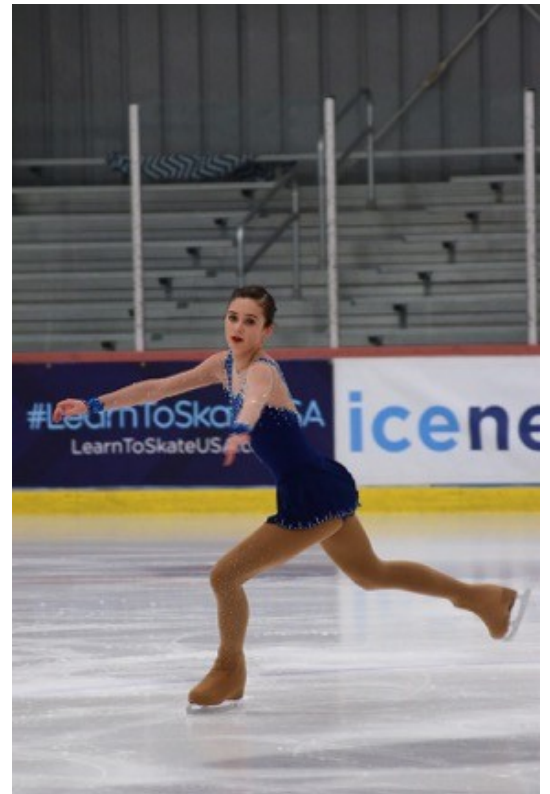
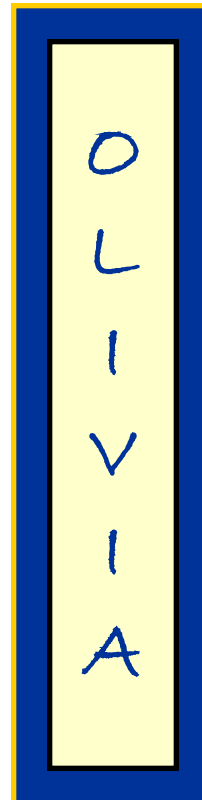
Sound I dislike: My alarm clock in the morning

Pet Peeve: Bad drivers who don't use blinkers

Favorite vacation: My family goes snow skiing out west every spring break for the past 5 years and it's my favorite thing to do!

I would never want to be: President of the United States

Three words that best describe me: Silly, positive, genuine





Hallow skate Spooktacular

October 27



Costume Contest Winners: Katelyn Fuhr (3rd);
Katie Nix (2nd); Sam Standridge (1st)



A big thank you to Pamela Palmer for
decorating, setting up the event, and
providing all of the gifts and decorations.
Thank you also to Jennifer Latham and Pam
for the photos. Twenty-five skaters loved it!







2018 South Atlantic Regional Championships - Qualifying

Aston, PA
October 11 - 15

INTERMEDIATE LADIES

Championship Final

Jeslyn Choi	8th/28
Georgia Bolocan	15th/28
Elvira Junnila	22nd/28

Free Skate, FR

Jeslyn Choi	10th/28
Georgia Bolocan	14th/28
Elvira Junnila	21st/28

Short Program, FR

Jeslyn Choi	7th/28
Georgia Bolocan	17th/28
Elvira Junnila	21st/28

Free Skate, Grp. C QR

Georgia Bolocan	3rd/14
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Free Skate, Grp. D QR

Jeslyn Choi	1st/17
Elvira Junnila	2nd/17

Free Skate, Grp. E QR

Olivia Barnes	14th/17
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JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate, Championship

Katia Kochengina	22nd/28
Kaitlyn McGarigle	23rd/28

Free Skate, Grp. A QR

Adeline Wieler	10th/20
Chloe Rutter	11th/20
Olivia Kim	13th/20

Free Skate, Grp. B QR

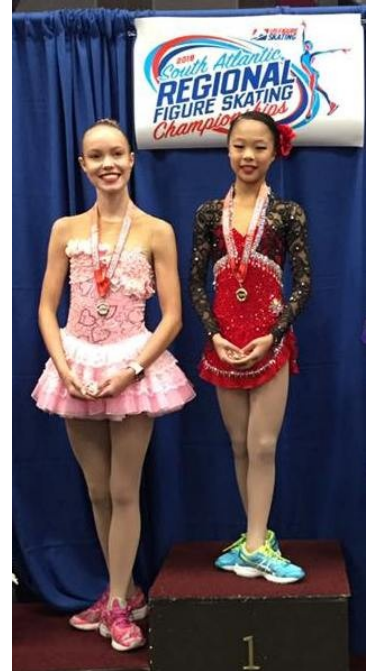
Kaitlyn McGarigle	3rd/21
Katia Kochengina	6th/21
Triniti Fong	8th/21
Melanie Schael	15th/21

Free Skate, Grp. C QR

Anna Scott Wieler	7th/18
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Free Skate, Grp. D QR

Madison Long	18th/21
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Elvira and Jeslyn



2018 South Atlantic Regional Championships - Non-Qualifying

Aston, PA
October 12 - 15

PRE-JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate, Grp. C

Bailey Snead	7th/10
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Free Skate, Grp. D

Emma Grace James	8th/11
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PRELIMINARY GIRLS

Free Skate, Grp. A

Audrey Latham	9th/9
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Free Skate, Grp. C

Anna McPeak	10th/11
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Compulsory Moves

Elisa Bode	2nd/4
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PRE-PRELIMINARY GIRLS

Elisa Bode

Free Skate, Semi FR, Grp. B

	8th/8
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Free Skate, Grp. E

	2nd/11
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HIGH BEGINNER GIRLS

Free Skate, FR

Amelia Marsh	2nd/6
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Free Skate, Grp. B

Amelia Marsh	1st/8
Mia Calabrese	7th/8

ADULT PRE-BRONZE LADIES

Cathy Sabella

Free Skate

	2nd/2
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Compulsory Moves

	2nd/2
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Kaitly (right)



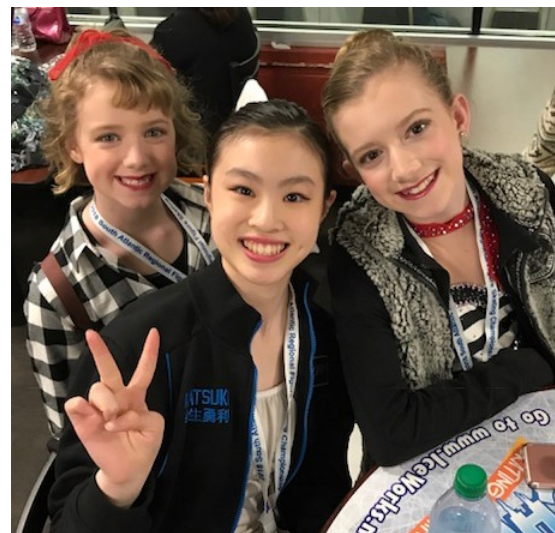
Adeline, Triniti, John, Anna Scott



Georgia, Jeslyn, Elvira



Coach Sherry, Georgia, Anna Scott, Adeline, Triniti, Coach Aren



Adeline, Triniti, Anna Scott



**2018 Eastern Great Lakes
Regional
Championships -
Non-Qualifying
Antioch, TN
October 20 - 22**

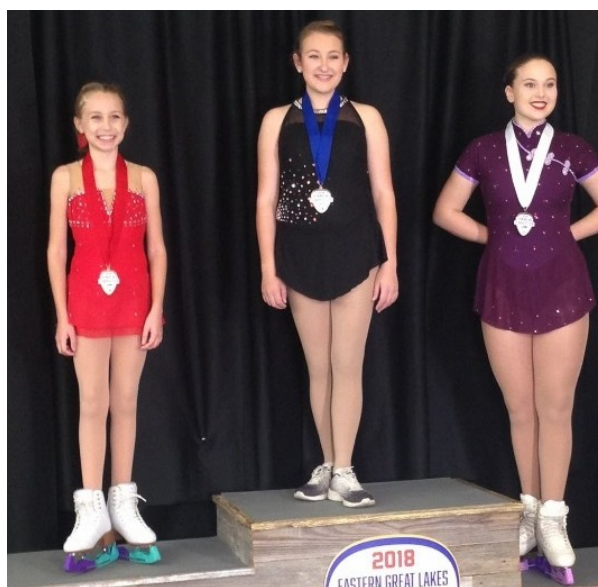
JUVENILE GIRLS

Free Skate, Test Track, Grp. A

Audrey Kate Johnson

2nd/8

Audrey Kate (left)



2018 South Atlantic Regional Championships - Special Achievement Awards

The Special Achievement Awards are pins presented to Juvenile, Intermediate, and Novice competitors to encourage performance-related markers in their programs. Awards are given for free skate events, initial and final rounds. Congratulations!

At Least +2 GOEs By Any Judge, Any Element		
Georgia Bolocan	Elvira Junnila	Chloe Rutter
Jeslyn Choi	Katia Kochengina	Adeline Wieler
Triniti Fong	Kaitlyn McGarigle	Anna Scott Wieler
Most Points for Spins	At Least One Jump Element with Bonus	
Georgia Bolocan Adeline Wieler	Jeslyn Choi	
Most Points for Performance Component		
Jeslyn Choi		





Melanie, Kaity, Katia, Olivia, Madison, Chloe



Olivia, Coach Chrissy



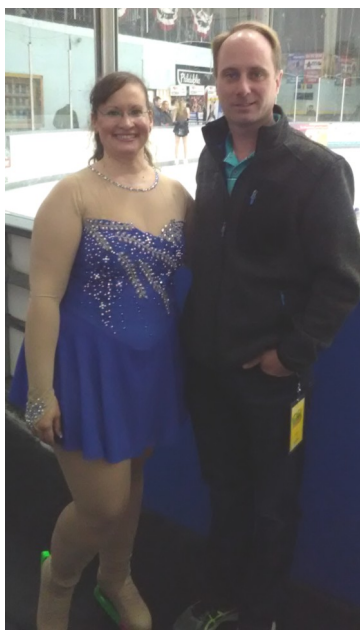
Coach Anya, Elvira, Jeslyn, Coach Debbie



Amelia



Georgia (right)



Cathy, Coach Eric



Anna, Amelia, Emma Grace




Madison, Coach Pam, Bailey

Tests Passed

October

Shang Serena	Preliminary Moves
Grayson Snow	Preliminary Moves
Grace Rathbun	Swing Dance
	Fiesta Tango

Aryana Bhattacharyya		Katina Jones
Subhabrata Bhattacharyya		Marlowe McIntyre
Claire Breland		Matt McIntyre
Atlee Breland	Jason Chen	Andrew Yang
Isabel Chen	Leanna Jones	Xuan Kou

Volunteer Opportunities

Get a head start on those service hours by volunteering now! Our 2nd VP in charge of Club Ice, **Jennifer Latham**, could use a helping hand signing in skaters and monitoring the ice each Friday at Club Ice from 5:45 to 6:45 pm. Please contact Jennifer at mikejenlatham@comcast.net.

Our Test Chair, **Tea Junnila**, would also appreciate assistance at test sessions with preparing food/beverage for judges, making copies, and collecting and playing skaters' music. Email Tea at teija.junnila@comcast.net.

THANK YOU!

*Congratulations to
Lori Malthaner*



*Singles/Pairs
Regional
Competition Judge
Appointment!*

SEND YOUR PHOTOS!

To Jane Jud at jjudalex@aol.com. We prefer group photos to recognize as many skaters as possible.. Please identify the skaters, too.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Jessica Harkness	1	Melanie Traber	15
Michelle Nguyen		Heidi Calabrese	16
Tami Mickle		Frances Umezaki-Oba	17
Valerie Cartagena	2	Noelle Chatigny	
Lisa ValeCruz	3	Monica Long	19
Emily Chiang	4	Anna Scott Wieler	20
Pam Levitt		EmilyCornelison	
Leia Beinenson	6	Breelie Taylor	21
Morgan Sliker		Jennifer Latham	
Atlee Breland	8	Abigail May	22
Abigail Doster		Debbie Prachar	
Nikki Edwards		Erica Mutch	26
Scott Williams		Marybeth Rathbun	
Arthur Shapiro	9	Angie Wilkinson	27
Kate Gorczyca		Nancy Lee	28
Riley May	10	Sarah Bolocan	
Natalya Rozenberg	11	Erika Ono	29
David Mickle	12	Hannah Carleton	
Regan Williams		Vlad Raschetnov	
Ai Tran	13	Elisa Bode	30
Betty McCord	14	Kaitlyn McGarigle	
Chloe Ryan		Lilly Gorczyca	
Madelyn Hanson	15	Avery Wilkinson	31



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Emma Grace James	1	Lily Xie	15
Emma Wang		Marie Bureau	16
Sarah Zhu		Nile Ziegler	
Shifu Liu		Ava Williams	17
Susan Johnson	2	Brook Ziegler	21
Varnika Kosaraju		Fumiyo Umezaki-Oba	23
AnneMarie Ahlin	3	John Richardson	24
Sudeen Kinnarkar		Kim Plaziak	
Paul Ahlin	7	Leon Qiao	
Courtney Nichols	8	Sonmi Son	
Lacey James		Tara St John	
Natalya Shapiro	9	Alexandra Traber	25
Katie Palmer	10	Natalia Beinenson	27
Vinaya Ramjee		Caroline Crooks	28
Michael ValeCruz	12	Grace Bell	
Sherri Martin		Marissa Li	30
Chloe Rutter	14	Michelle Casey	31

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Upcoming Events

<u>EVENT</u>	<u>DATES</u>	<u>SPONSOR/LOCATION</u>
Intro to Synchronized Skating	November 10	Atlanta FSC
Pacific Coast Sectional Championships	November 15 - 19	Seattle, WA
Eastern Sectional Championships	November 15 - 19	Boxborough, MA
Atlantic Station, Avalon Tree Lighting Exhibitions	November 18, 19	
Thanksgiving Party	November 17	Atlanta FSC
Holiday Gift Exchange/Ugly Sweater Contest	December 8	Atlanta FSC
Test Session	December 8	Atlanta FSC
U.S. Championships	December 29 - January 7	San Jose, CA
Adult Competition Series Registration Deadline	December 30	USFS