

Sk8ter's Edge

West Toronto Skating Club

Summer 2018

West Toronto Skating Club 2017/2018 Board of Directors

WTSC succeeds because of the parent volunteers who devote their time and energy.

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Office Administrator



WTSC

A Club Run by its Members

The Board of Directors for WTSC consists of volunteers who, like yourselves, are parents of children who skate or who have been skaters at WTSC. And some of our club members are Adult Skaters taking advantage of our Adult CanSkate or Power programs. The current WTSC Board is striving to find the best way to deliver quality Skate Canada Programs on and off the ice for its members. Future initiatives may include off-ice routines, nutrition workshops and partnerships with Sport Psychologists.

Whether your child's goal is to complete CanSkate Learn to Skate, to achieve all four STARSkate Golds, or to branch out into the Skate Canada CompetitiveSkate program, WTSC has the Coaches, Consultants and Skate Canada resources to assist you and your skater.

Join the Board: If you would like to be part of the future development of WTSC, please consider joining the volunteer Board of Directors. If you are interested please email our club Treasurer Yi-Wen to find out more about the board.

We want your input: We are seeking feedback from members and would appreciate hearing from you as we enter into the planning phase of our 2018-2019 Season. If you would like to share your thoughts about skating, the club, what are we doing well and/or what could be improved, please email our club President Cathy with your comments.

We look forward to hearing from you.

See you at the rink!

5th Annual STARSkate Gala Wednesday June 6, 2018

We are excited to hold our 5th annual STARSkate Gala on Wednesday June 6 from 7:00—9:00 pm in the Nixon Room. All skaters that were registered in STARSkate for the Fall/Winter2017-18 season are welcome to attend. Parents are also welcome to attend and there are no additional fees. Hors d'oeuvres and drinks will be served.

Our skaters have worked very hard this past year on the ice and we'd like to give them the recognition they deserve. It was a busy season with many test days and lots of outside competitions. Even if your skater hasn't taken part in testing or competitions, we'd still love to have them join us, cheer on their skating friends and see what lies ahead for them.



STARSkate Test Days at WTSC

Thursday June 21 **Envelopes due June 7**

Thursday August 23 (tentative)

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A Message from Tanja!

It is with a heavy heart that I share with you, my WTSC family, of my decision to resign from my position as Office Manager. It has been such a treasure to meet so many wonderful families over the years. I have watched your children grow in our club from their first shuffling steps in our CanSkate program, to passing the highest Diamond tests in STARSkate. I have seen their tears of frustration, and their fist pumps when they finally reach their season goals. Keep pushing yourselves and you will achieve more than just the skating goals you set out for yourselves. Thank you to our Board of Directors for giving me this opportunity to work with such a fantastic club and to see it grow year after year! And to our coaches, my rink children, I will miss you all more than words can ever say. A new challenging career awaits me and I wish WTSC all the best and continued success.

WTSC Club Store

To check out our online Club Store click here. You can buy and sell gently used skating gear. Items can be purchased during office hours via cash only.

Has your skater outgrown their skates, dress, pants or jacket? Bring them to the office for us to sell for you. You set the price and 20% remains with the club.

Items that we always have in stock are new in package tights and gloves.





May Tests Congratulations to all skaters!

Tests passed:

DANCE

STAR 2b	Kaisa K
STAR 4b	Allegra O
STAR 5a	Charlotte B
STAR 5b	Charlotte B

SKILLS

STAR 3 Simone H

FREESKATE PROGRAM

STAR 2 Emilia P Simone H STAR 3 Simone H



Dylan Moscovitch Club Consultant

Many thanks to Dylan for the Q&A session held for our members on Monday May 28^{th.} A Silver medalist in the 2014 Olympic Games, Dylan's first years of skating were at WTSC in McCormick arena. More than two decades of training for National and International Skating Competitions make Dylan an incredibly valuable resource for our Club. Keep an eye open for more opportunities in the future for skating and training advice from Dylan.

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Meet the Coach



Zivana Bijelic

Years coaching at WTSC: 12

Skate Canada coaching qualification(s): CanSkate Certified

Spinning and Jumping direction: Left

Favourite Ice Dance: Killian

Favourite Jump: Split jump

Favourite Spin: Layback spin

When did you first begin skating and where?: I started Skating when I was 3 years old at Chris Tonks Arena.

What is your favourite thing to do when you are not on the ice?: Spend time with my family.

Who inspired you most as a young skater? I would get so mesmerized and inspired watching Elvis Stojko, and Oksana Baiul growing up.

When I am not coaching, I am: I just graduated from Sheridan college with a diploma in Advertising and Marketing Communications. Now that I've completed that I'm enjoying spending time with my 8 month old daughter Scarlett.

The most important advice you would give skaters?:

You will have great days and some not so great days on the ice. Show up, try your best, and don't give up.

Club Calendar

June 6

STARSkate Gala

June 18

Last day of Spring Skate (Power)

June 20

Last day of Spring Skate (CanSkate)

July 3

Summer CanSkate/STARSkate sessions begin

August

Fall/Winter schedule and registration will open—date tba

September 4

Club opens for Fall/Winter Season

Don't forget to register for summer skating if you have not already. It's a great way to beat the heat!



Summer Registration

Click here to register for SUMMER!

CanSkate

Summer Session 1 - July Tuesday July 3-July 24

Summer Session 2 - August Tuesday July 31 - Aug 21

STARSkate registration opening soon - watch for emails about it.

Reserve your spot before it gets too hot!

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Spring Office Hours Mon 6:00—7:30 pm

Tues 6:00—7:30 pm

Wed 6:00—7:30 pm Thurs 6:00—7:30 pm