



## Updates from the Championship Chair—Marie Malcolm

Before the start of the season, the Section makes any necessary revisions and/or changes to meet the needs of our skaters and to remain in line with the direction of Skate Canada. Here is a summary of changes:

On July 30, the SCNO Board of Directors approved the revised Generic Technical Package. Changes to the package include the following:

- Modifications to the CanSkate Category
- Elimination of the Pre-Introductory Category
- Modification to the Spin and Elements Events (Singles)
- Addition of LTAD JUMP event

For all events that require submission of Planned Program Content (PPC) forms, all forms (Short and Free Program) are to be submitted at Music Registration at least one hour prior to the start of the short program event. This will help to ensure there is sufficient time to enter the data into the CPC Scoring System.

Per Skate Canada's direction, effective July 1, 2010, the CPC Scoring System may be used at Section approved invitational and qualifying events for the 2010-2011 competition season. CPC may be used at Section approved events for all Junior Bronze and higher categories in free skate and dance events and interpretive events.

With the agreement of the Local Organizing Committee, SCNO has approved the use of CPC at the following events:

- Sectionals
- Skokie Skate
- Let's Skate
- Festival of STARS
- Thunder Bay Open
- Make It a Date

For a more thorough explanation of the changes, please read the Generic Technical Package on our website: Events → Competitions.

### Nelson Bellmore Award

The Nelson Bellmore Award is donated by Sault FSC and Kevanna Studios in honor of their late head coach of 45 years. Nelson Bellmore passed away on December 11, 2009. The coaches selected the criteria for the award which is:

*"To be given annually by the Algoma Region Interclub Committee to an Algoma Region skater who is pursuing their Primary STARSkate certification".* With the plaque, which will be displayed in the recipient's home club, the recipient receives a personal award and a \$100 bursary. This year, the bursary is being equally donated by the Sault FSC and the Williamson family (long time members of the Sault FSC.) Megan Sherwood, Sault Figure Skating Club, is the inaugural recipient of the award. Presenting the award is a former student and sister-in-law of Nelson, Geraldine Wright.



### Pre-Juvenile skaters will qualify for Trillium STARSkate in the following manner in Northern Ontario:

The skater's score at Sectionals will be factored by 35% and the score at Festival of STARS will be factored by 65%. The results will be added together to determine a total score. The top three skaters (combined scores) will qualify for Trillium STARSkate. It is NOT mandatory to attend Sectionals and Festival of STARS, however, it is strongly encouraged. If a skater only attends one competition they will still be factored as above and receive '0' for the event not attended.

## Updates from Skate Canada

**CanSkate Pilot**—Thirty clubs from across Canada in addition to the 15 clubs who ran the pilot in January to March 2010, will participate in the second CanSkate pilot. In our Section, Nickel Blades, Thunder Bay and Tisdale Skating Clubs have been selected to participate in this pilot. In January 2011, Skate Canada plans to run a STARSkate pilot program.

**Coach Membership Card**—There are continued efforts to create a coach membership card. This would replace the photo identification card that is produced at the Section Office. The timeframe for the launch of this new card is the 2011-2012 season.

**Entry Fees**—There will be an increase in the entry fee for Challenge events and higher.

**Information Package**—All clubs should have received a club information package in the mail. All club executives should view the package.

## Officials Promotions—April to August

### Primary Judging

Alexandra Duncan	Alexis Lotsios
Amy Doucette	Angela Hunter-Schumacher
Becky Holden	Caitlin Goodmurphy
Chantal Lesschaeve	Charlene Bishop
Devin Sdao	Katherine Tuomi
Tianna Fisher	

### Introductory Data Specialist

Sandra Triskle  
Sherri Skinner



### Technical Specialist, Singles—Challenge

Stephanie Lafleur-Morin

### Technical Controller, Dance—Challenge

Leanna Caron

## Updates from Skate Canada-Northern Ontario

**New Policies**—The SCNO Board of Directors approved the following policy:

- To retain a \$25 administrative fee for all withdrawals after the deadline at any SCNO hosted event.

**Festival of STARS**—This will be the last year that we accept cassettes at music registration.

**CPC Scoring System Equipment**—On September 1, the Section will purchase a system from Skate Ontario.

## Coaching Certification —January to August

### CanSkate— Trained

Kadrienne Montcalm	James Stewart
Ashley Trewin	Catherine Witty
Lisa Zimak	

### CanSkate— Evaluated

Clancy MacNeil

### Primary STARSkate—Trained

Kaitlyn Groop	Kimberly Harper
Alexis Lotsios	Sarah McComb
Carolyn Stewardson	

### Primary STARSkate—Evaluated

Liz Hollands



**Rule 1202 (3)(b)(iii) - Serve on Boards:** A Professional Coaching member may serve on the Skate Canada Board of Directors, Section Board of Directors and/or Club Board of Directors as a Coaching Representative (elected by the Coaching Members) or be appointed to any Skate Canada Committee.

Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world, indeed, it is the only thing that ever has!"

- Margaret Meade

**New Screening Process for Coaches**—After working with the RCMP, BackCheck can once again provide the standard criminal record check. Given these new developments, Skate Canada coaches will once again be required to use the services offered by BackCheck. For more information, please visit—<http://backcheck.net/skatecanada/>. Any questions about coach registration should be directed to Skate Canada's Members Services.

# Gold Test Achievement

Gold tests achieved  
between December 16,  
2009 and March 31, 2010

Next submission date is  
September 30 for tests from  
April 1 to August 31, 2010.

## Interpretive

Montana Dube—Abitibi FSC  
Kiela Ford—Border SC  
Jenna Wilson—Border SC  
Julia Withers—Kenora SC  
Kelsey Scribilo—Kenora SC  
Trisha Materny—Kirkland Lake SC  
Shea McCallum—Kirkland Lake SC  
Lindsay Goodridge—North Bay FSC  
Kira Bauer—Thunder Bay FSC  
Courtney Reich—Thunder Bay FSC  
Emma MacKenzie—Thunder Bay FSC  
Angel Rocheleau—Timmins-Porcupine FSC  
Erika Nakashoji—Timmins-Porcupine FSC  
Nikila Smelt—Marathon FSC  
Whitney McParland—Schreiber-Terrace Bay FSC

## Dances

Jenna Draves—Black River—Matheson FSC  
Caroline Gionet—Kirkland Lake SC  
Shea McCallum—Kirkland Lake SC  
Gabriel Gaulin—Mattawa FSC

## Free Skate

Lindsay Goodridge—North Bay FSC  
Dominique Cholette—North Bay FSC

## Skills

Jenna Draves—Black River—Matheson FSC  
Kelsey Scribilo—Kenora SC  
Jacob McGonigal —Kirkland Lake SC  
Shea McCallum—Kirkland Lake SC  
Maranda Lethridge—Sault FSC  
Erika Nakashoji—Timmins-Porcupine FSC  
Rebecca Harasym—Marathon FSC

## 2010-2011 Board of Directors

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## Competition Sanctions

The Championship Chair will give two approvals.

**Preliminary Approval**—Date, events and use of CPC Scoring System are approved.

**Final Approval**—Acceptance of announcement. At this time, you will receive a copy of the approved sanction form.

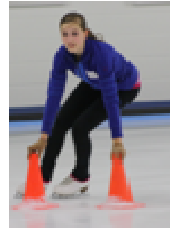
Any questions about competition sanctions should be directed to the Championship Chair, Marie Malcolm, at [championship@scno.net](mailto:championship@scno.net).

## Athlete Development Camp (August 21 to 22) —Julia Mullins

This year, the Skaters' Development Committee took a different approach with respect to the Athlete Development Camp. In partnership with the Granite Club of Toronto, selected skaters were invited to participate in "Champ Camp", a two-day camp at a world-class venue.



On Saturday, the on-ice facilitators included World Champions Jeffrey Buttle and Shae-Lynn Bourne along with NCCP Level 5 coach, Doug Haw, and 2010 Four Continents Champions, Kaitlyn Weaver and Andrew Poje. The off-ice facilitators included Jennifer Nichols and Jesseny Rojas. On Sunday, the on-ice facilitator was Ellen Burka.



Here is a description of the sessions offered at the camp:

- The **Extension Method** with Jennifer Nichols was an energetic way to start the day. Jennifer had the skaters early in the day to get their bodies loose and ready for the next sessions.
- **Edges for Excellence** with Shae-Lynn Bourne, Kaitlyn Weaver, and Andrew Poje allowed skaters to test the limits of their blades and edges.
- **Injury Recovery** with Jessy Rojas covered common skating injuries and recovery practices.
- **Jump for Joy** and **Spin to Win** with Jeffrey Buttle and Doug Haw allowed skaters to work on the technical side with some personalized attention.
- **Mental Edge: Fun vs. Fear** with Shae-Lynn Bourne allowed our skaters to get to know a World Ice Dance Champion.
- Warm-up with Kaitlyn Weaver and Andrew Poje allowed skaters to follow Northern Ontario's senior dance team of Kaitlyn and Andrew as they took them through one of their typical warm-up routines.
- **Theatre on Ice** with Ellen Burka taught skaters that you are never too old. Mrs. Burka turned 89 years of age, but you would not know it. Skaters performed various exercises under her direction.
- A **Parent Chat** with Lesley Buttle who covered various topics truly applicable to the Northern Ontario parent.

Thank you to Doug Haw for helping organize this amazing weekend and the on and off ice facilitators for their time and making "Champ Camp" an energizing experience for all athletes and coaches. Thank you to the board members – Traci Fong, Nancy McAllister and Wendy St. Denis for ensuring that the camp ran smoothly. Last, but not least, a thank you to the coaches, parents and skaters who supported the camp. *Change is always difficult but sometimes, it is quite rewarding.*

An Athlete Development Camp survey is available for participants and parents to complete. Your comments and feedback are extremely helpful in the preparation and planning of further events. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey. If you have any additional comments or suggestions for any skaters' development activity, please email me at [skatersd@scno.net](mailto:skatersd@scno.net). I appreciate all your feedback.



### Coaches and Officials

When Skate Canada or the Section send direct emails, it is based on the email address included in your personal profile. If you have not included your current email address in your personal profile, you will not receive the message. To update your profile, go to Members Only → Personal Profile → General Information. Remember to click on the 'Save Changes' button in the lower left hand corner of the general information window prior to logging off.

#### Inserts:

- Judge/Evaluator Qualification Listing
- Ontario Promotional Contest Order Form
- Sectionals Announcement
- Gold Test Achievement Form