May 2022 Newsletter

Knoxville Figure Skating Club

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Dear KFSC member,

To start with we would like to thank Danielle Perry for her service to KFSC. Please welcome Jessica Light, who will be filling out the rest of Danielle's term on the board.

Please pay attention to dates and emails there will be a lot of important information this month. You should have gotten an emailing regarding the updating of the bylaws. Renewals for KFSC open on June 1st, membership year is July 1 to June 30.

The consignment sale proved very popular and we will have another one on 5/14. Our Volunteers, Consigners, and Shoppers are appreciated. Please reach out if you are interested in consigning. Also on 5/14 will be a club fundraiser public skate. Please bring your friends for skating, games, and pizza. In person Single panel testing will also be offered, please discuss with your coach.

The banquet will be June 5th at Bearden Banquet Hall. A change from previous years is the facility requires a head count prior to the banquet. **Please respond yes, no, or maybe on the google form** (link was sent by email). Tickets will be available 5/14 to 5/29. Skating members, coaches and children 4 and under are free. Non-Skating members are \$10, non- members age 10 and over are \$15, Non-Skating members age 5-9 are \$5.

With the rink repairs in July we will do our best to help in letting you know of alternate opportunities. A list of camps is included in this Newsletter.

We offer Monthly Virtual Testing, the first of each month. Please discuss Virtual Testing with your coach. Cool Sports will offer dedicated testing time for higher level tests.

Thank you to everyone who sent photos. If you have any pictures or member recognitions, or event ideas please submit them to the club email. Photos are appreciated.

Thank you,
The KFSC Board
KnoxSkating@gmail.com

Do you know your board members?

Lori Clark (President)

Jenny Payne (Vice President)

Robert Darby (Secretary) Susan Mulcahy (Treasurer)

Treva Ogle Jenny Sobota Jennifer Rohrig Sonia Allan Jessica Light

Upcoming Events:

Virtual Testing- The 1st of every month (video within 30 days)

May 6th Power and Edge and Dance 7 week session starts

May 14th KFSC Public Skate and Consignment Sale- new sock donations for Compassion Closet

May 25th Membership vote on updated Bylaws

June 1-June 25 Membership Renewal

June 5 5pm KFSC Banquet

June 15-18 Atlanta Open

July Picnic in the Park

August 2-6 National Showcase

August 5-7 Scott Hamilton Invitational

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Congratulations!

Testing

April 8 – Wissahickon Skate Club

Tait Light – Rocker Foxtrot

Governing Council Recognition

Congratulations to **Daren Patterson** who has been recognized by US Figure Skating for 25 years of Service as a judge.

National Showcase Qualifiers

Janie Bales, Kate Johnson, and Connor Allan have qualified to compete at National Showcase in August. We are so excited for you!





Congratulations to our skaters who competed!

Our Skaters were very busy in April. So many smiles – so many medals!



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Three of our skaters and one coach participated in the Grassroots to Champions Camp at Glimoure Academy in Gates Mills,OH











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USFS SafeSport is now USFS SkateSafe

FIGURE SKATING CLUB SafeSport Certifications must be renewed for the 22/23 membership year.



The USFS program is called Skate Safe but the certification is still SafeSport.

The renewal is shorter than the initial certification. Current Certifications and memberships expire in June.

Every adult member must be Safe Sport certified. If the member is under 18, an adult family member must be Safe Sport certified. You must login to https://usfsaonline.org/ and click on the Skate Safe Logo

We are interested in keeping our children safe both physically and emotionally.

New month.

New beginning.

New mindset.

New focus.

New start.

New intentions.

New results.

Knoxville FIGURE SKATING CLUB

Jackets

If you interested in a club jacket please reach out to Robert Darby or email knoxskating@gmail.com



Holly Jolly Ice Show - videos, photos and ornaments may still be ordered.

I love celebrating other people's wins as much as my own. It doesn't intimidate me when others are winning. I believe there's enough success to go around for everyone.



Skater of the Month

Name: Kenli Hill

Age: 15

Current Coach: Konstantin Baradakov How long have you been skating? 11 years

Why did you start skating?

My parents told me I had to choose a sport. I guess they didn't want me being a couch potato. I tried various things; like gymnastics and dance, and was clearly not cut out for either. One day, my mom asked what else I wanted to try, and "ice skating" came out of nowhere. Not long after, I was at Cool Sports for the first of many times.

What was your first day of skating like?

Frankly, I don't recall many details. It was a public session, and my dad skated with me. I'm pretty sure I looked as if my four-year-old feet were on slipping slides.

What are your favorite and least favorite things to practice?

Now that I've quit competing, I can practice whatever and just have fun. Granted, I exercise my mouth on the ice more than

anything; but when I am practicing, I'm happy to do just about anything. I will say, I still dislike how spins make me dizzy.



Skating skills are actually what I've learned the least of. Over the decade, new skaters have started and familiar faces have left. Of all the times I've stepped on and off that sheet of ice, the best thing I've learned is that being a good friend has far greater value than any gold medal. You hear always moms talk about how we should lift each other up, but what does that mean? It's not just cheering on others when they compete. In summary, it's caring about all people and showing it. Every skater lives a different life, and life can be tough. Additionally, a bad skating day doesn't help. But, knowing that when you walk through those orangey-yellow doors, there's a group people who really love you-makes a world of difference.

What other things, outside of skating do you enjoy?

My number one favorite hobby is eating, especially carbs. I find all subjects intriguing, but math and science are my favorites because they remind me how God works everything together so beautifully. I run track and am on a swim team, but I'm not very good at either. I can't go a day without spin classes or at least some form of exercise. I recently hiked Mt. LeConte and couldn't have enjoyed it more. I'm terrible at crafting or building practically anything. I always look forward to hanging with friends; like biking Cade's Cove with my long-time friend, Abby. Basically, my interests are quite scattered, but I'm always getting into something.

What are your goals, in skating and outside of skating?

I have too much fun doing almost everything, so setting goals is just based on whatever I'm in to at the time. I've always been fascinated by anything anatomical and have considered pursuing all sorts of disciplines in medicine. While I still find diseases and such so cool, I've realized I love math. I'm not particular; however, I despise graphing. An occupation that combines medicine and math would be epic! I have so many dreams about how I want my future, but I often forget it's not mine. God holds my life in His hands, and I just can't wait to see what he has planned for me.

Parents what do you admire about your child?

I most admire her resilience and positive attitude. Regardless of her circumstances, Kenli's glass is always full.





Junior Board
Abby, Bonnie, Catey, Catherine, Connor, Jaedyn, Janie, Kayleigh,
Kenli, Mikaela, and Tait.

Elected officers of the 21/22 Junior Board! President: Connor

Vice President: Tait Secretary: Abby

Jr Board has several events planned. Do you need service hours?

Jr Board will be running games on the 5/14 public Skate.

Jr Board will also be conducting a supply drive and volunteering at Compassion Closet.

The Junior Board has been established to create a voice for the skating members of KFSC and to connect the skaters to the Board of Directors, coaches and parents. Members of the Junior Board, will share a passion for skating and serving the KFSC community. Members of the Junior Board, will help foster a fun, positive, welcoming, and supportive environment.

Remember to check out Knoxfigureskating on Instagram.

May 14-June17 Donate new socks – all sizes for the Compassion Closet for children in foster care.

Signups for exhibitions during LTS and Public Skate will be coming soon. We will also be looking for "Buddies" for the Learn to Skate students and skaters to help play games at the end of LTS sessions.

A club member will be randomly drawn, by the Jr Board, for the skater of the month profile. Keep an eye out for Themed Public Skates and Friday Funday Themes.



Do you like seeing photois in the newsletter? Please submit your photos to knoxskating@gmail.com.

Friday Theme Days

- May 6- National Space Day- Space Themed
- May 13- Dress as your favorite movie character
- May 20- Decades Day
- May 27- Dress as a Prince or Princess
- June 3- Dress as a Pirate
- June 10- Luau Day
- June 17- Dress as a Fairy or Fairytale Characte

April Photos – Funky Pants, Spring, Neon and Flower Power













Tickets will be available 5/14. Skating members, coaches and children 4 and under are free. Non-Skating members are \$10, non- members age 10 and over are \$15, Non-Skating members age 5-9 are \$5.

The next Consignment Sale is May 14th.







Skating Camps 2022 - We are not endorsing the following camps we are providing the list as a resource.

Elite Summer Training Camp: Nashville, TN

Centennial Sportsplex

May 28- August 8

Train with the Best Camp- Featuring Frank Carroll 7/22-7/26

615-928-7977

Ford Ice www.nhl.com/predators/fordicecenter

Camp Ultraviolet: Nashville, TN

Ford Ice- Antioch

June 6-10

For girls only age 8-12

A five-day immersive experience where campers explore goal setting, teamwork, leadership, communication skills, mindfulness, and emotional awareness by completing an on-ice 5k.

SK8-2-GR8 Recreational and Developmental: Nashville, TN

Ford Ice Center Antioch

June 15-17, 2022 | 9:30am - 2:30pm

July 20-22, 2022 | 9:30am - 2:30pm

For skaters of all levels and abilities including beginners and hockey skaters looking to improve skating skills, along with all USFS Basic Skills levels through U.S. Figure Skating Juvenile and all USFS Excel Track skaters.

Ice Chalet Summer Camps and Classes: Knoxville

Beginner and Intermediate level skaters:

Monday- Friday 2:00-3:00 p.m- choose from five weeks June 27-July 30

Summer Learn to Skate

June 6-July 30

For beginner and intermediate level skaters, once a week for 8 weeks.

Advanced(freestyle) "Excel on ice" camp:

Recommend for freestyle 3 and up

June 6-July 30

Five week-long camps or 8 weeks

Advanced (freestyle) "Aspire to Greatness" camp

For delta-freestyle 3

June 6-July 30

Five week-long camps or 8 weeks

Shattuck-St. Mary's Figure Skating Camp: Faribault, MN

3 Weekly Sessions are available from 06/05- 06/25

Age 8-18

Overnight camp

Camp Manager- FigureSkatingCampManager@s-sm.org

(507)333-1563

The St. James: Sports, Wellness, and Entertainment Complex: Springfield, VA

Dance/Gymnastics/Skating Combo camp

2 weeks of camp offered: (6/27-7/1), (7/25-7/29)

Aspire Ice Skating Specialty Camp

7/25-7/29

Ice-Land Figure Skating Camp: Hamilton Township, NJ

Available for freestyle- advanced competitive level skaters

Must be at least pre-freestyle to participate in the freestyle camp

Camp dates: July 11-15, July 18-22, August 8-12, August 15-19

Questions?- jenn@ice-land.com

SQSA Parade Summer Camps 2022: Golden Valley, MN

July 11-15, 8:00 am-4 pm

Breck Anderson Ice Arena, Golden Valley, MN

Questions raleighweld@gmail.com

Email sqsaparade@gmail.com to be added to their email list.

Grassroots to Champions: Wilkes Barre, PA

Diamond City Figure Skating Club

July 17-18

One day seminar on July 17 followed by an opportunity for private lessons on July 18.

Staff-Audrey Weisiger and Nick Perna with additional staff TBD

Contact Amy Fredricks (239)243-4211

Also check EntryEeze and the USFS website for competitions.