



The Bowling Green Skating Club

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The Bowling Green Skating Club Annual Meeting will be Thursday April 20th from 6:30 - 8:00 in the Ice Arena lounge. There will be a potluck beginning at 6:30, with the election to start at 7:30. Additional details will be emailed and put on the website. Mark Your Calendars!!

National Skating Month Celebration

On Saturday January 28, the Bowling Green Skating Club celebrated National Skating Month. Events for the day included two free skating clinics and exhibitions. **The Skating Clinics were a huge success with over 215 people participating!** There were ten skaters, including Regional competitors Kelsey Lahey, Olivia LaFond, Emily Laughlin & Megan Bellman, along with the Elites Synchro team, who shared their talents through exhibitions. Thank you to all the skaters for coming and showing your talents. The skating clinic participants enjoyed the exhibitions and it gave them an opportunity to see what BGSC skaters have been able to accomplish.

Also on that day, a raffle was held, with the proceeds benefiting the programs offered by the Bowling Green Skating Club. The raffle prizes and winners were:

1st Prize (4 tickets to Smucker's Stars on Ice) – Shannon Wright, 2nd & 3rd Prizes (fleece vest) – Mike McKay & Kelsey Lahey
4th – 7th Prizes (t-shirt) – Linda Harris, Katie Hoops, Vicky Coe, and Michelle Rabb.
Congratulations to the winners and thank you for your support of the Bowling Green Skating Club.

The National Skating Month events on January 28th would not have been possible without the support of many volunteers. Thanks to everyone for your help – all of you did a great job! A special thank you to the coaches (Kate Bresnan, Stefanie Lopez, and Amy Swope) who provided instruction during the skating clinics and to the skaters who helped during these clinics. Also, thank you to the Skate Shop personnel who distributed many pairs of skates and to the Ice Arena for providing free skate rental.

Annual Junior Club Summer Skating Program

The Bowling Green Skating Club will once again be offering a four-week summer skating program. Included in this program will be off-ice stretching, jumping, & conditioning, as well as two hours of on-ice group instruction per week. On-ice coaches for the program will be Stefanie Lopez and Joy Turski. The summer skating program will be held on the following days:

Week 1: June 5th and June 7th

Week 2: June 12th and June 14th

Week 3: June 22nd

Week 4: June 26th and June 28th

There will be a flat fee for the program of \$115.00. This fee includes a total of 10.5 hours of instruction and ice time. In order to cover the costs of running the summer session, we cannot offer a family discount, nor can we accept

applications for just the off-ice or just the on-ice components.

Applications may be turned in at the Jr. Club table or mailed to PO Box 566, Bowling Green, OH 43402. **Your initial payment of \$57.50 or the full \$115.00 should be included with your application. Applications are due no later than May 15.**

Additional information about the summer skating program and the application can be found on the club's web site (<http://www.bgskateclub.org/>). Please contact Stefanie Lopez at SkateBG@aol.com, Joy Turski at (419) 865 - 1401 or Pat Rabb at Rabb1960@metalink.net if you have any questions about the summer skating program.

We're Looking for a Few Good People

You too can be on the Board of Governors of the Bowling Green Skating Club! The 2006 annual meeting will soon be upon us where we will be electing new Board members to fill three vacancies. This is your chance to implement those great ideas! If you are interested in running for the Board, let any of the current Board members know so we can put your name on the ballot. Get involved!!

New Board Member

Welcome to Teddi Moorman, our newest BGSC board member. Teddi is filling a vacancy for an at-large board member position created when Jeff Rybak resigned his position due to job commitments. Teddi has experience with BG skating, starting with her own skating and now she has a 12-year-old daughter who skates in Jr. Club & takes private lessons. Welcome to the BGSC Board.

Volunteer News

We would like to remind you that each skating family is responsible for 10 hours of volunteer time (5 hours for those that joined in December or later). Many of you have completed your hours and thank you for all your help. The Volunteer Committee will be contacting you in the next few weeks if you have not completed your 10-hour requirement.

APRIL TEST SESSION CANCELLATION

As you're probably already aware, the Bowling Green April test session has been cancelled. This test session was cancelled due to two of the three judges cancelling. The following are test sessions that are available should you want to test in April:

Ann Arbor, MI – April 27th
Fort Wayne, IN – April 28th
Monroe, MI – April 30th

Adult Synchro Team Completes Season

The Adult Synchronized Skating Team, The Elites, finished off its competitive season this February with solid performances at two recent competitions. The team placed 3rd at the 2006 Midwestern Synchronized Team Skating Championship on January 28 in Fraser, MI, and 3rd again at the Tri-States Team Competition in Dearborn, MI on February 11. The Elites captured the enthusiasm of the spectators with a spirited choreography. Lana Mastroianni coached the team, working over a period of months to polish the 2 1/2-minute program, which featured splices, footwork, a traveling circle, block formations, and a final wheel.

The team, diverse in background, was bound together not only by practice, but also by an enjoyment of skating and a desire to do well. After an especially good job at Fraser, Coach Mastroianni summed up the experience well for all: "That was fun! That was incredible!" The competitions were an enjoyable experience, and the team appreciated the encouragement of the BGSC Juvenile Synchro Team.

Team members included Bill Ferguson, Barbara Ridgeway, Jim and Debbie Marlowe, Eric Bergman, Melissa Jorge, Patty Porter, Coann Ducat, Ruth Wood, Wendy Long-McClurg, Margie Brennan-Krueger, and Lana Mastroianni.

Open Juvenile Elites News

The Open Juvenile Elites Synchronized Skating Team finished their season with a strong showing at the 2006 Tri-States Synchronized team Championships in Dearborn, Michigan on February 11, 2006. The team finished 6th in a field of teams from Michigan, Indiana, Ohio, and

Pennsylvania. The skaters had a great time together both on and off the ice. Team members are Johanna Black, Emily Czubinski, Jennifer Hobson, Katie Hoops, Annie Neumann, Erin Peterson, Erica Rybak and Abby Sell. Thanks for a great season everyone!

2006-2007 Elites Synchronized Skating Teams Meeting

An informational parent's meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2006 for any skater (level Basic 3 and up) interested in skating on the Elites Synchronized Skating Team.

The meeting will be held at 7:30pm in the Ice Arena Lounge. Returning families need not attend.

Skill Assessment and Team Placement will take place on Tuesday, April 25th from 6:30-8:30pm. More information will follow.

BGSC Synchronized Skating Workshop

On March 21st, the BGSC hosted a free synchronized skating workshop for any skater who has passed the basic 2 level. Approximately 20 skaters attended the workshop and got a taste of what synchro is all about. The skaters were divided into groups based on age and skill level. Everyone who attended the workshop had a blast! A big thanks goes out to BGSC Head Synchronized Skating Coach, Lana Mastroianni, who ran the workshop with a special thanks also to the skaters from the BGSU Team who helped out as well.

A Future Skating Club Member!!

The Bowling Green Skating Club would like to congratulate board member Heidi Reger and her husband Matt on the birth of their daughter Elizabeth Louise. Elizabeth Louise was born on February 15th weighing in at 8-lb. 4 oz. and 20 1/2 inches long. Mother and Daughter are doing just fine but Heidi says Daddy's a little tired from doing his work, housework and cooking too!

Heidi hopes that she and Elizabeth can visit all of her friends in the Adult Club before the end of the season but not until the weather warms up a little bit more.

General Session Ice is Still Available

The last Monday General Session is April 17th and the last Wednesday General Session is April 19th. Walk-ons are welcome! The Monday sessions are 6:30-8:30 PM for pre-preliminary MIF or higher skaters who may choose to skate for either one or both hours. The Wednesday General Sessions are 6:30-7:45 PM for Basic 8 or higher skaters. For those General Session skaters who had contracted ice, all of your fees should be paid by now. Please contact Karen Rose if you have any questions about your fees.

Freestyle Seminar This Saturday

This Saturday, April 1st, the Bowling Green Skating Club will be hosting a **Freestyle Seminar**. **This seminar will feature Julie Berlin**, an International coach and current coach of Bowling Green natives Alissa & Amber Czisny. **Dan Hollander**, Quad Gold Medallist and consulting coach to both national and international skaters. **Garrett Krug**, MS, a Nationally recognized off-ice instructor with a figure skating background and **Amber Czisny**, a former senior level competitor known for her

grace, style and extraordinary spinning ability. **Special Guest Skater will be Alissa Czisny.** All skaters will receive two hours of training both on and off the ice. Participation is restricted to those skaters who have already signed up for it.

Seminars like this one are a great opportunity for skaters to enhance their skills. **Skaters, Parents and Coaches, if you would like the club to offer additional programs such as this one please let your board know.**

Competition and Testing Results

| NA Open Adult 2006 / Jan 21 2006 | | | |
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| Last | First | Place | Event |
| Marlowe | Debbie | 2 | Silver V FS |
| Marlowe | Debbie | 3 | Gold Pairs FS |
| Marlowe | James | 2 | Silver Men V FS |
| Marlowe | James | 3 | Gold Pairs FS |

| Midwestern Synchronized / Jan 28 2006 | | |
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| Team | Place | Event |
| Elites (adult) | 3 | Open Adult |

| Pt Huron Edith Scheonrock 2006 / Feb 3-5 2006 | | | |
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| Last | First | Place | Event |
| Bellman | Megan | 3 | Novice SP - C |
| Bellman | Megan | 6 | Novice FCS FS - B |
| Caragiu | Alyxia | 4 | Preliminary FS - C |
| Caragiu | Alyxia | 1 | Preliminary CM - E |
| Dempsey | Miranda | 4 | High Beginner CM D |
| Dempsey | Miranda | 7 | Beginner Showcase |
| Dempsey | Miranda | 5 | Low Beginner FS D |
| Kruse | Savannah | 2 | Low Beginner CM B |
| Kruse | Savannah | 6 | Low Beginner FS B |
| Lahey | Kelsey | 5 | PreJuv CM - B |
| Lahey | Kelsey | 4 | Preliminary FS A |
| Neumann | Annie | 7 | High Beginner CM B |
| Neumann | Annie | 4 | High Beginner FS E |
| Perrault | Lexi | 3 | Preliminary Ltd FS - C |
| Perrault | Lexi | 4 | Preliminary CM - C |
| Peterson | Taylor | 3 | PreJuv CM - C |
| Peterson | Taylor | 5 | PreJuv FS - E |
| Peterson | Taylor | 2 | PreJuv/Juvenile Spins |
| Polder | Taylor | 2 | Preliminary Ltd FS - C |
| Polder | Taylor | 2 | PrePrelim CM - C |
| VanHorn | Courtney | 3 | PreJuv CM - A |
| VanHorn | Courtney | 2 | PreJuv FS - A |
| Williams | Mady | 3 | High Beginner FS B |

| Tri State Synchronized / Feb 11 2006 | | |
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| Team | Place | Event |
| Elites (adult) | 3 | Open Adult |
| Elites (open juv) | 6 | Open Juvenile Group B |

| Great Oaks / Feb 18-19 2006 | | | |
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| Last | First | Place | Event |
| Lahey | Kelsey | 1 | Pre-Juv Spins |
| Lahey | Kelsey | 2 | Preliminary B FS |
| Moorman | Tegan | 2 | Basic 6 |
| Rabb | Michelle | 4 | Preliminary CM |
| Rabb | Michelle | 4 | Preliminary B FS |

| BGSC Test Session / Feb 19 2006 | | | |
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| Last | First | Test Passed | |
| Bakies | Ashley | MIF | Junior |
| Cheung | Morgan | FS | Juvenile |
| Cheung | Morgan | MIF | Juvenile |
| Desko | Lauren | FS | Novice |
| Erne | Kristin | FS | PrePreliminary |
| Galperin | Dennis | MIF | PreJuvenile |
| Goans | Jennette | FS | PreJuvenile |
| Haylett | Charity | MIF | PreJuvenile |
| Hobson | Jennifer | FS | PrePreliminary |
| Ingrahm | Megan | MIF | Preliminary |
| Jackson | Taylor | Dance | PreSilver-European |
| Jackson | Taylor | FS | Preliminary |
| Laughlin | Emily | Dance | PreSilver-European |
| Laughlin | Melanie | Dance | PreSilver-Fourteen Step |
| Lui | Edith | FS | PrePreliminary |
| Lui | Edith | MIF | Preliminary |
| O'Bryan | Kelly | FS | PrePreliminary |
| Perrault | Lexi | Dance | PreBronze-Cha Cha |
| Perrault | Lexi | Dance | PreBronze-Swing |
| Peterson | Taylor | FS | PreJuvenile |
| Rybak | Erica | Dance | PreBronze-Fiesta Tango |
| Rybak | Erica | Dance | PreBronze-Swing |
| VanHorn | Courtney | Dance | PreBronze-Fiesta Tango |
| VanHorn | Courtney | Dance | PreBronze-Swing |
| VanHorn | Courtney | FS | PreJuvenile |
| Veller | Alexa | Dance | PreSilver-Fourteen Step |
| Vellinga | Nicole | FS | Juvenile |

| BGSC Test Session / Mar 26 2005 | | | |
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| Last | First | Test Passed | |
| Black | Johanna | Dance | PreBronze - Cha Cha |
| Black | Johanna | MIF | PreJuvenile |
| Czubinski | Amy | FS | PreJuvenile |
| Dempsey | Miranda | MIF | PrePreliminary |
| Kruse | Savannah | MIF | Preliminary |
| Neumann | Annie | MIF | Preliminary |
| Rabb | Michelle | FS | Preliminary |
| Ryutov | Dasha | MIF | PrePreliminary |
| Veller | Alexa | Dance | PreSilver - Foxtrot |
| Veller | Alexa | FS | Juvenile |

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