

Winchester Figure Skating Club

Burlington Ice Palace M, T, Fri 5:30-7:30pm

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Welcome from the President

Welcome everyone to our 2021 sessions! 2020 was quite an interesting year. Along with our innovative coaches and members we continue to adapt to changing conditions. The Board and I thank and appreciate each member for helping us adhere to the COVID protocols we have put in place. We are really pleased to welcome new members and see our returning members. We are looking forward to getting back to normal as restrictions ease.

Karen-Lee Stock

Important Dates

1 March–24 June 2021

– Spring season for contract ice
2 March 2021- test session
17 June 2021 – possible end-of-year exhibition

News and Activities

- Contract ice for the spring season is now available on <u>EntryEeze</u>. We are returning to our Monday/Tuesday/Thursday schedule at 4:10 and 5:10 pm.
- Alysa Z. competed in the 2020 Boston Open competition, placing 1st in Novice Ladies Excel (9/2020).
- Rachael L. competed as part of the Hayden Star Mates (Novice level) at the 2020 US Synchronized Skating Championships, placing 3rd (2/2020). She also received Platinum Level recognition in the US Figure Skating Graduating Seniors program (10/2020).
- Emma L. got her driver's license (10/2020). With Mika A. she also participated in a judges' critique at SCOB (11/2020), and was featured in a Globe article when we had our second ice rink shutdown (10/2020). Her recent Gold dance test makes her a triple gold-medalist.
- **Megan**, **Maeve**, and **Fiona S.** spent the summer in Gloucester and used their skating balance skills on paddle boards.
- Kasey T. participated in her first 2 skating competitions (BHSA Winter Basic Skills & Northeast ISC Winter Classic) skating to Firework by Katy Perry in her program under the direction of Coach Jessica Hilton. She is preparing for her pre-preliminary Moves in the Field test. The silver lining of COVID was that this Summer and Fall Kasey has been able to spend extra time on the ice with Coaches Christina Welch and Jessica Hilton and is loving every minute of it.
- Izzy O. spent five weeks in the summer with Circus Smirkus Camp in a COVID-free bubble. The training was challenging but Izzy got to learn new skills and become a stronger skater and circus girl mentally and physically.
- **Future Issues:** Stay tuned for news from our December 2020 holiday exhibition and profiles of our graduating high school seniors.

Tests Passed (as of early 12/2020)

Welcome, New Members

Mission Statement

The goal of the club is to:

- Provide a safe, welcoming, and friendly skating environment,
- Foster, promote, encourage, advance, and improve figure skating,
- Encourage and cultivate a spirit of harmony among figure skaters

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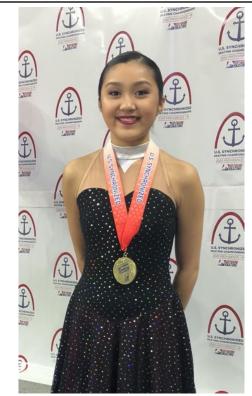
Coach **Elliot Hilton** and **Alysa Z**. after Boston Open



Kasey T. at the BHSA Winter Skate competition (1/2020)

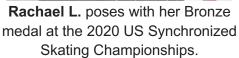


Emma L. and Mika A. with after passing their Gold Dance and Samba tests this past August.



Jason Cline passed his Adult Bronze Mil

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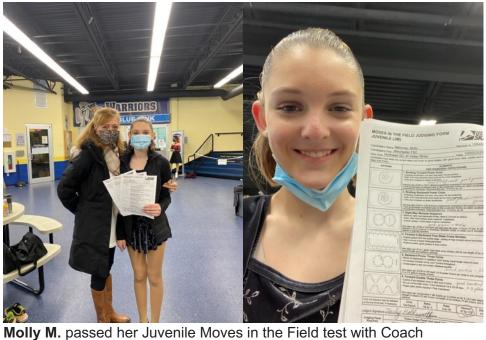




The Hayden Star Mates (Novice level) including our **Rachael L**. form an arc during their 2020 US Synchronized Skating Championships performance.



Isaac K. with Coach **Roberta Bailey** after Isaac passed his Pre-Preliminary Moves and Freestyle tests.



Molly M. passed her Juvenile Moves in the Field test with Coach **Christina Welch** in October 2020.



Nyla H., Maeve S., Lily M., Molly M., Megan S., Julia C., and Lindsey L. pose together briefly between sessions in the BHSA learn-to-skate programs.

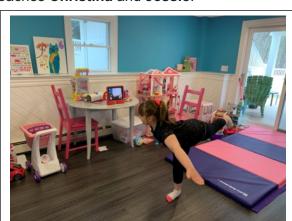
Feature:

What We Did when the Rinks were CLOSED

- Alysa Z. spent many hours online-gaming with her school friends
- Sossi P. did some virtual circus arts performances.
- Emma L. got to continue skating because she was registered for the National Championship Series, which was ultimately cancelled. And she got featured in the Boston Globe.
- **Megan, Maeve,** and **Fiona S.** took part in zoom-based off-ice training and participated in a car parade of the cast of the BHSA Ice Show, which was cancelled.
- Kasey T. also took part in Coaches Christina and Jessica's ZOOM based off-ice training.
- **Izzy O.** spent time doing off-ice training, got back to sewing and making clothes, and tried some new recipes in the kitchen.



Sisters Megan, Maeve, and **Fiona S**. participate in Zoom based off-ice group training with Coaches **Christina** and **Jessie**.



Kasey T. does off-ice training with Coaches Christina Welch and Jessica Hilton over ZOOM this past Spring.

Figure skaters say Mass. rink closures are unfair to them

By Laura Crimaldi Globe Staff, Updated October 24, 2020, 6:51 p.m



The Boston Globe features **Emma L.** and Mika A. during the late October-early November ice rink shutdown (24 October 2020). Photo credit: Erin Clark, Boston Globe staff.



Sossi P. performed two aerial silks routines in circus arts virtual showcases to raise money for charity.



Maeve, Fiona, and Megan S. participate in a parade on the weekend that the annual BHSA Ice Show would have happened.