

Canmore Skating Club – Highlights 2025-26 Season

Mission: We provide a fun, safe, and fulfilling experience for all.

Vision: Inviting everyone to explore the joy of skating

Values: Respect, Caring, Integrity, Courage, Excellence

President

1. Strategic Plan
 - a. Many of the items in our strategic plan have been achieved. If anyone would like a copy please ask as we can share it.
 - b. We have been working closely with Banff to establish complementary programming and coaching synergies. If your skater chooses to take ice time in Banff, the volunteer commitment is with the home club; double volunteering is not required.
2. The Coaching Team, consisting of Jan, Kendra, Robin, Leslie, Caitlin, Samantha and Marta, has indicated that all wish to return next season.
3. Grants received:
 - a. Government of AB – Community Grant for \$10,000 to support our ice show expenses.
 - b. Skate Canada AB/NW/NT Inclusive and Adaptive Skating Grant received \$540 in funding.

Fundraising & Volunteering

1. Invited to participate in Banff Skating Club fundraising events - Banff Marathon, Melissa's Road Race and Banff Christmas Market. We have given notice that we will not be making the Banff Christmas Market a mandatory fundraiser for the 2026-27 year. The Christmas Market administration is changing the volunteer commitment to take care of garbage and recycling.
2. These plus Wreaths and Swags sales and the Club's share of the spring 50/50 draw are expected to raise over \$5,500.

Programming / Membership:

1. Membership is stable at ~ 150 active individuals.
2. Learn to skate continues to grow. Monday and Thursday CanSkate sessions with an average of 36 skaters per class; Thursdays continue to fill. Fall and Winter. Adult Learn-to-Skate had 12 keen participants. Interest continues to grow.
3. Pre-STAR group program runs two days per week and includes Star 1 & 2 level skaters. Coaches encouraged participants to register for two days per week. Kendra, is to be commended for rebuilding the pre-star program, with enrollment continuing to grow.
4. Star and Podium Pathway programs have stable numbers. The majority are star skaters with one Podium Pathway skater.
5. Ran two Intro to Synchro workshops in the fall. A group of 5 participants formed and met regularly on Sundays until December and then the numbers increased to 8 by February.
6. The spring session is in progress and meeting registration expectations. Not offering CanSkate this year, but Pre-Star has a good commitment. All programs are being subsidized to some extent.

7. Summer ice is four weeks in Canmore, Monday (1.75 hours per day) thru Friday (1 hour) in July. Monika Langer has agreed to teach a 60 minute class before ice times on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
8. 2026-27 ice request is much the same as this year, with some additional time requested. We are waiting for the outcome of the request from the Town of Canmore.

Social / Celebrations/ Team Building

- Celebrated National Coaches Week with a donation to the coaches to enable them to have drinks and food at one of their coaches' meetings.
- Celebrated the season on May 20th. Thank you to the coaches for recognizing everyone.
- Coaches organized several incentives, awards and means of recognition throughout the season for skaters and program assistants.

Skating Events

- Performance Day – in the fall, gave skaters an opportunity to put their programs in front of an audience and Leslie Keen an international judge, early in the competition season so feedback and changes can be made.
- Christmas Gala in December.
- Holiday Camp with guest coach Kaetlyn Osmond and ballet instructor Monika Langer, December 27-29, was extremely successful and is a profitable venture for the club. All sessions were full. Has become a tradition for a lot of skaters from out-of-town. (70/30; more non-Canmore than Canmore.) The camp fills up quickly.
- Canada: Our Story on Ice – the Ice show was a success with both shows being sold out. Having Keegan Messing, a Canadian Champion and Olympian, was a highlight of the event. Special thanks to all the coaches for their input into the show and all the volunteers. It is a real team effort to pull this type of show off.

Coaches Report:

- Athletic achievements
 - Amelia J. – Juvenile U12
 - Madison, Mio, Rebekah, Niko – participated in StarSkate Finals
- Section Awards nominees
 - Coaching Award nominee – Kendra Dominico
 - Amelia K. – Canskate Athlete of the Year – won Calgary Region
 - Officials Award – Section and Skate Canada – Leslie Keen won Region, Section and National

Assessments Chair Report: (Julia)

- Lots of Coach-assessed assessments (55 to date).
- Two High Assessment days – December (hosted by BSC); July (to be hosted by CSC)