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# Newsletter

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## Welcome to Winter 2018!

Welcome to all of our families both new and returning. We hope everyone has been enjoying the first few weeks of the Winter Session.

2018 has brought some changes to our Club. Our Board of Directors created a new role within our organization and we now have an Executive Director who will run our office and all the business needs for our growing club. Sadly, this means that your interactions with Diana in the office have come to an end (she will still be around as her boys are skating with us). Diana has served our club so faithfully and so well for the last couple of years. Her dedication to skaters and families and to our coaches has made a difference for all of us! You will all now have the opportunity to interact with Tracey Thomas, who many of you already know, as our Executive Director. Tracey will answer all your questions, help you with registration, etc. Please join us in welcoming Tracey to this new role. While Tracey is already very familiar with many aspects of our Club, please be patient as she takes over at the helm.

Winter is always a busy session at Ajax Skating Club and this year is no exception!

All of our weeknight Pre-CanSkate sessions are at capacity as is our Friday CanSkate! The other sessions are very close to selling out also.

There are also many exciting things happening in the coming weeks. Some events include:

1. **Peak Week** – in the coming weeks all of our CanSkate sessions will get a visit from one of our Figure Skaters. The Figure Skater will perform a competition routine for both the parents and the CanSkaters. All of these Figure Skaters started in the CanSkate Program and are now in our StarSkate Program. StarSkate is the next step after CanSkate/CanSkate Elite.
2. **Olympic Spirit Weeks** – From February 9 – February 23 join in the Olympic Spirit at Ajax Skating Club. We will have contests, special events and more!
3. **Evaluations/Report Cards** – Winter Session evaluations will take place Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> - March 3<sup>rd</sup> and report cards will be available beginning on March 5.



### Ajax Skaters at Winter Skate

The Skate Ontario Winter Skate competition took place in Whitby from January 26-28.

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### Stars On Ice

Stars On Ice is coming to Toronto. See the show with your Ajax Skating Club friends.

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# See Olympic Athletes Perform!

Watch your favorite skaters compete at the Winter Olympics in PyeongChang, South Korea in February, and then see them live at the Air Canada Centre with your friends from Ajax Skating Club in the all-new 2018 *Investors Group Stars on Ice Tour presented by Lindt!*

- **TESSA VIRTUE & SCOTT MOIR**, Olympic Gold Medallists
- **PATRICK CHAN**, Olympic Silver Medallist
- **MEAGAN DUHAMEL & ERIC RADFORD**, World Pair Champions
- **KAETLYN OSMOND**, World Silver Medallist
- **JAVIER FERNÁNDEZ**, World Champion
- **GABRIELLE DALEMAN**, 2018 Canadian Champion
- **KAITLYN WEAVER & ANDREW POJE**, World Silver Medallists

**Plus** – Olympic Medallists **ELVIS STOJKO** and **JEFFREY BUTTLE!**



Tickets will be available in the office. More details will be coming soon. Don't miss out on a fun evening full of great skating!!

## GROUP BENEFITS

Discounted Tickets  
Larger groups can qualify for:

- access to pre-show warm-ups including the fun and informational *Icebreaker* session featuring two cast members
- signed posters
- a visit with one of the stars, and more!

## Competition Results



Three of our StarSkaters competed at the Winter Skate Competition in Whitby, January 26-28, 2018.

Nadia competed in StarSkate Level 3 receiving a Bronze standing.

Bridgette completed in StarSkate Level 4 placing 4<sup>th</sup> and in Introductory Interpretive receiving a Silver standing.

Victoria competed in StarSkate Level 4 placing 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Congratulations to all these talented young ladies.





## 2017/2018 Skater Development Day

Ajax Skating Club was honoured to have Coach David Long and two of his Junior Men Athletes come and conduct our Skater Development Day on December 22, 2018.

The StarSkate athletes worked both on and off ice on their jump and spin technique. It was a great end to the Fall Skating Session for the girls.



### Skater Development

Our StarSkaters had a great time both on and off the ice as they worked on their jumps and spins with Coach David Long and two of his Junior Men Athletes, Jack and Hugo.



### Hard At Work

Victoria works on her jump technique under the watchful eye of Coach David Long

