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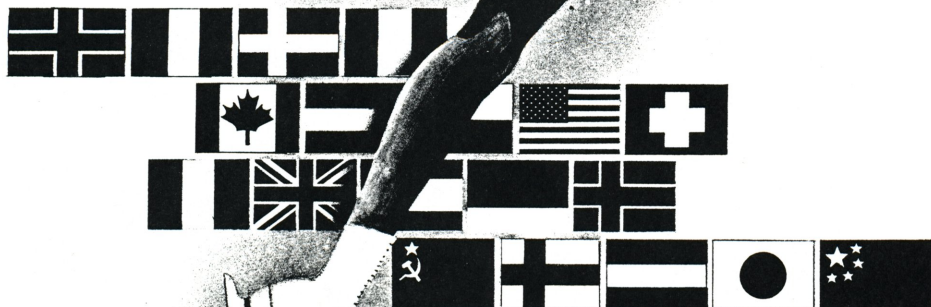


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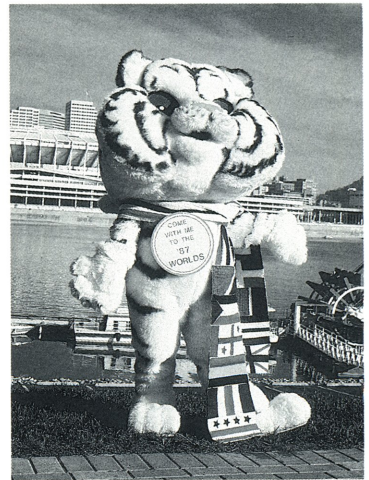
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## News Briefs

The 1987 USA World Team which will compete in Cincinnati, as announced by the USFSA International Committee includes: Ladies — Jill Trenary, Debi Thomas, Caryn Kadavy; Men — Brian Boitano, Christopher Bowman, Scott Williams; Pairs — Jill Watson and Peter Opepegard, Gillian Wachsman and Todd Waggoner; Dance — Suzanne Semanick and

Scott Gregory, Susan Wynne and Joseph Druar.

Named alternates are: Tonya Harding, Cindy Bortz, Daniel Doran, Paul Wylie, Katy Keeley and Joseph Mero, Natalie and Wayne Seybold, April Sargent and Russ Witherby. The Team Leader will be Monty Hoyt with Gale Tanger serving as Assistant Team Leader. (Renee Roca and Donald Adair, originally named to the Team, have retired from amateur competition.)



The 1987 World Championships in Cincinnati

looks to be one of the largest in recent years. Official entries have been received from 24 countries, with 27 ladies' singles, 29 men's singles, 14 pairs and 23 dance couples entered, for a total of 110 competitors. A total sell out is expected at the Riverfront Coliseum and many hotels and popular downtown restaurants are already completely booked for the week.

People watching will also be a popular part of the week with Scott Hamilton and Judy Blumberg on hand to do



commentary for CBS and Toller Cranston and Brian Pockar commentating for the Canadian networks. Numerous other dignitaries and past champions are also expected. (Unfortunately, Les Nessman will not be broadcasting for WKRP as previously expected.)

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A special highlight of the Cincinnati festivities will be the presentation of the Jacques Favart Trophy by the ISU to Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean at the Sunday Exhibition of Champions. The trophy is in memory of the former ISU President from 1967-1980 and an ISU officer for 25 years. Under his leadership, many changes were instituted in figure skating competitions, such as the change in the number of figures and the increase in the percentage weight of the free skating. The introduction of ice dancing and the 1,000 meters event in speed skating for men were also introduced into the Olympic program due to his efforts, as well as the addition of the World Junior Figure Skating Championships as an ISU program.

The prestigious trophy has only been presented twice previously for outstanding achievement and contribution to skating sports, in 1981 to Irina Rodnina and in 1983 to Eric Heiden.

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Preceding the Opening Ceremonies of the 1987



Championships in Tacoma, David Stewart of Baltimore, Maryland, presented a check in the amount of \$10,000 on behalf of Baltimore Ice Sports, Incorporated, to F. Ritter Shumway, Chairman of the USFSA Memorial Fund. An additional \$10,000 contribution will be made next year at the 1988 Championships in Denver. The donations are an outstanding commitment by the host of the 1989 U.S. Championships. Pictured at the check presentation are Dorothy (Dee) Brown, David Stewart, F. Ritter Shumway, and William M. Howard, Jr.

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Kristi Yamaguchi has been named to represent the USFSA at the Merano Spring Trophy in late March in Merano, Italy. Competitors announced for La Coupe Excellence in Montreal, Quebec, in early April are Daniel Doran, Natalie and Wayne Seybold, and April Sargent and Russ Witherby. Susan Wynne and Joseph Druar will compete in the 9th Interna-

tional Ice Dancing Trophy in Morzine, France, in mid-April.

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Tiffany Chin was honored at a reception in Tacoma during the 1987 Nationals at the Tacoma Dome Hotel. The event was sponsored by the Asian-American Alliance and the Chinese Cultural Association of Pierce County, Washington, and was attended by Tacoma Mayor, Douglas Sutherland, shown here supervising the cake cutting with Tiffany.



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## 1987 SPRING MEETING

The 1987 Spring Meeting of the USFSA Board of Directors will be held Wednesday and Thursday, May 6 and 7, 1987 at the Hyatt Regency Milwaukee, 333 West Kilbourn Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203, (414) 276-1234. The first session is scheduled for Wednesday, May 6 at 8:00 A.M. Additional sessions are scheduled for Thursday, May 7 at 1:30 P.M. All Board of Directors meetings will be closed.

The 1987 Annual Meeting of the USFSA Governing Council will be held Friday and Saturday, May 8 and 9, 1987, at the Hyatt Regency Milwaukee, 333 West Kilbourn Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53203, (414) 276-1234. The opening session of the Governing Council will begin at 3:30 P.M., Friday afternoon preceded by various workshops. The Governing Council meeting will be continued on Saturday, at 9:00 A.M.

A copy of the written notice of the meeting is available to USFSA Associate and Individual Members (Club members should obtain further information from their Club Officers) upon request to the USFSA National Headquarters, 20 First Street, Colorado Springs, CO 80906, (303) 635-5200.

## JUDGES' APPOINTMENTS

### LOW FIGURE TEST

Darin Hosier, SC of Northern Virginia

### INTERMEDIATE FIGURE TEST

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Washington

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Coaches know that warming up is beneficial, yet the way ice time is arranged, there are only a few minutes between patch and freestyle. They are anxious for their skaters to get on the ice to take full advantage of the ice time. Besides, they want to be sure they get all of their scheduled lessons fitted into the allotted time.

Parents get upset when their children do not get on the ice right away as they are paying for that time. Many feel that it is "wasted" when a skater spends time on the floor. But, if you are seriously interested in increasing your speed and getting more efficiency from your muscles by doing a warm-up before freestyle, here are some suggestions on how to do it:

1. Leave the patch two minutes before it is over. I suggest discussing this with your coach so that he/she will have an understanding of what you are trying to accomplish. The benefits derived will far outweigh the loss of the two minutes of patch.

2. Take the two minutes out of the beginning of your freestyle period instead of patch. You will find that you will make up these two minutes by being better prepared for the ice and, as a result, you will accomplish more work with greater efficiency.

3. Do not socialize with anyone. Quickly remove your figure boots, and put on tennis shoes or something equally suitable, and you are ready for a two-minute warm-up.

### **The Two-Minute Warm-Up**

The following warm-up suggestions are for skaters who have no special physical problems, and who need guidelines on how to improve their skating capacity through floor warm-ups.

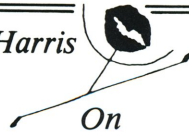
1. *Running in Place.* 25 seconds. This accelerates your heart rate. Run as fast as you can in place, lifting your knees high each time you step. Relax and breathe for 5 seconds, inhaling through your nose and exhaling through your mouth. At the same time, shake your hands and feet.

2. *Full Knee Bends.* 10 seconds. This is for the legs and buttocks. Stand with feet in a parallel position about 5 inches apart. Keeping your heels on the floor, and with arms straight ahead, bend as far down as you can and then back up again. Do this 8 times. Relax and breathe as above for 5 seconds.

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Ricky Harris



On  
*Warming Up*  
Part II

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3. *Bend-Overs.* 15 seconds. This is for the back. Stand with feet parallel. Extend your arms straight above your head. Bend the whole torso forward in one piece from the hips to a position parallel to the floor. The back does not bend. Still maintaining the straight spine, bring your whole torso back to the starting position. Keep your stomach pulled in through this exercise. Do this 8 times. Relax and breathe 5 seconds.

4. *Push-Aways.* 10 seconds. This is for shoulders and arms. Stand an arm's distance away from a wall. Place hands on the wall directly in front of you, bending the elbows. Push away 8 times. Relax and breathe 5 seconds.

5. *Leg and Torso Raise.* 10 seconds. This is for the stomach. Balance your tailbone on a chair or bench, supporting yourself with your hands on the chair. Raise your torso and legs together and return 6 times. Relax and breathe for 5 seconds.

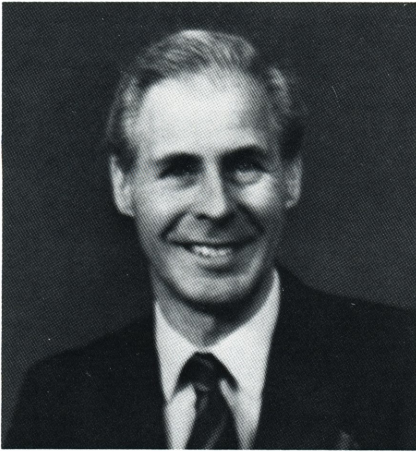
6. *Torso Twists.* 10 seconds. This is for the lower back. Stand with feet parallel, arms straight out to the sides. Swinging the body from above the hips, twist as far as possible side to side, 8 times. Do not do the breathing and relaxing; go on to #7.

7. *Slow Jogging.* 10 seconds. Warming down. Relax and breathe on the way back to put on your skates.

Do not confuse this type of warm-up with exercises for style, strength, endurance, and flexibility. The warm-up will make your hands and fingers move faster and you will get your skates on quicker.

Start your ice practice with some stroking. By stroking, you are warming up your equilibrium equipment and the coordination mechanism of your muscles to adjust to the conditions of the ice, and the size of the rink. After stroking, go over to the rail and stretch. There is less possibility now of overstretching and hurting your muscles.

# THE HALL OF FAME



**Courtney J.L. Jones, MBE  
Great Britain**

*This feature continues the accounts of the lives and distinguished careers of the most recent members elected to the World Figure Skating Hall of Fame.*

*by Benjamin T. Wright*

Courtney Jones of Great Britain occupies a truly unique position in the world of figure skating. A World and European Champion in ice dancing with two different partners, a World Championship Judge since 1972, and a Referee in his discipline since 1982, he became in 1985 the eleventh President of the National Skating Association of Great Britain, the oldest federation in skating, founded in 1879.

Rarely, if ever, has a former World Champion become President of his national governing body and, of course, Courtney is the first ice dancer to achieve that distinction. He has also been honored by the Queen for his services to skating with the Order of the British Empire, so that his election to the World Figure Skating Hall of Fame is a fitting recognition of a distinguished career.

Courtney Jones is remembered as the dominant male ice dancer of his era, during a period when the dance couples from Great

Britain were the best in the world. Actually, from the first World Championship in ice dancing in 1952 through 1960, British couples won nine gold, five silver, and two bronze medals in nine Championships, a record never equaled.

Early in his career, Courtney displayed the versatility which would be such a major aspect of his years on the top. From 1947 to 1955, he won or placed in various local dance competitions with no less than five different partners! He also competed in pairs with Faith Sylvester and Heather Birtwhistle and subsequently passed his First Class (Gold) Pair Test.

With Faith (known as "Paddy"), he was fourth in the first British Junior Pair Championship in 1951, while with Heather he won the Southern Counties Pair title in 1954 and was third in the British Senior Pair Championship the same year. Courtney also placed fifth (third in free dance) with Faith in the British Dance Championship in 1951, but soon lost her to marriage and the United States later that year. It is remarkable to note that he did not appear again in the championship until 1956 with June Markham.

He was also active in free skating, winning the Scholes Cup of his club three times and the Waterhouse Cup at least twice. He was third in the Southern Counties Men's event of 1952. He is also well remembered for his Samba number, perhaps a forerunner of the Silver Samba in ice dancing, which he invented in 1963 with Peri Horne. He holds the Intermediate Second Class Ice Figure and Second Class Free Skating Tests.

Having traveled to Queens rink in London primarily for training in pair skating, he was instead partnered by his teacher Miss Gladys Hogg, with June Markham, herself a strong singles and pair skater. After but a few weeks together, Courtney and June won their first competition as partners early in November 1955 in the Open Blues Competition at Richmond for the Tomlinson Trophy. Just a month after that, Courtney and June placed second in the British Dance Championship.

Despite having to enter the Royal Air Force to carry out his military service obligation, Courtney and June were still able (using his



leave time) to enter both the European Championships in Paris and the World Championships of 1956 in Garmisch-Partenkirchen, placing second in both. Actually, British dance couples took all the medals in both events. It is interesting to note that the Referee at Garmisch was Reg Wilkie, the first British Dance Champion (and also a Hall of Fame member), while his former partner Daphne Ward was the British judge. There were seventeen couples entered at Garmisch, the largest entry up to that time.

The British Dance Championships are traditionally held in Nottingham in early December and such was the case in 1956 when Courtney and June won their first title. Despite a mishap in the free dance, their win was a decisive one. In the European Championships in Vienna two months later, the same three couples were the medal winners in the same order, thereby continuing the British domination of the championships, with the representatives of the NSA winning all three medals for the fourth straight year.

It is indeed appropriate that Courtney Jones is now a member of the World Figure Skating Hall of Fame, with its adjoining Museum, located in Colorado Springs, since it was there that he won his first World title. The 1957 Championships were only the second held in the United States and that was twenty-seven years after the first in 1930.

While the first place result could have been predicted, the second and third places could not, with the Canadians Geraldine Fenton and William McLachlan and the Americans Sharon McKenzie and Bert Wright gaining them. This time, the performance of the winners was without any major errors and the dominance of Jones and Markham was demonstrated from the first compulsory dance, so that they achieved a unanimous win, being placed first by all the judges.

Actually, in the four World Championships Courtney won with his two partners, they were placed first by all the judges in all of them, with the sole exception of one second place they received in 1959. In his five European Championship wins from 1957 to 1961, Courtney and his partners were placed first by all the judges in all of them, including each part of the competition.

The 1957-58 season was virtually a "carbon copy" of the prior year. However, prior

to the start of the season, Courtney and June took and passed their NSA First Class (Gold) Pair Test, adding a special distinction to their record, since both of them had been active pair skaters with other partners prior to joining together in ice dancing. They put their new medals to good use by entering the British Senior Championship in Pairs at Streatham, placing a very creditable third in a split decision.

Courtney and June easily retained their British dance title in November, earning a 6.0 from one judge in free dancing. This time, Catherine Morris (an International Judge) and Michael Robinson were second, with Barbara Thompson and Gerard Rigby third.

It is an interesting historical coincidence that in the following European Championships at Davos, the same three couples again (for the fifth year in a row) won the medals in the same order of placement as in the British.

The pattern of the prior year was also repeated in the 1958 World Championships at Paris, with Geraldine Fenton and William McLachlan of Canada again being second, with Andrée Anderson and Donald Jacoby of the United States third, the same countries as the prior year, if not quite the same couples, winning the medals. Courtney and



*Courtney Jones and June Markham*

June again received marks of 6.0 for their free dance from some of the judges. Notable in their free dance was the introduction of very fast time and equally fast footwork, raising substantially the difficulty of the performance.

After totally dominating their discipline for two years and with no new goals in sight (ice dancing having not yet attained Olympic status, which was not to come until 1976), June Markham elected to retire to undertake a teaching career at her home rink of Queens. As a culmination of their career together, Courtney and June received from the NSA the award of the Vandervell Trophy, for the best performance by a British skater during the prior season.

At the time, many thought that the loss of his partner would mean the end of Courtney's competitive career, much less the likelihood of a successful defense of his championship titles. However, he quickly found a new partner in Doreen Denny, who was an active singles skater. Doreen had actually competed in the British Senior and Junior Ladies' events and in 1958 had been runner-up in the ladies' event of the first Commonwealth Winter Games at St. Moritz.

By hard work under the able tutelage of Gladys Hogg, and despite Courtney's growing commitments to his chosen career as a designer in the field of ladies' fashions, they were well prepared for their first major challenge of the British Dance Championship at Nottingham, against chief rivals. In the final result, Courtney and Doreen were the winners by five judges to two. At the 1959 European Championships at Davos, Courtney and Doreen gained the title by a unanimous decision.

The 1959 World Championships were again held in Colorado Springs, where Courtney and Doreen won their first title together and his third. (Actually, the Springs is the permanent home of Doreen today, where she has pursued a distinguished career as a teacher of ice dancing.) As a footnote to their success, Doreen did not take and pass her First Class (Gold) Dance Test until after the season was over. She and Courtney received the award of the Vandervell Trophy by the NSA for their outstanding achievements.

The 1959-60 season could almost again be considered as a copy of those that had



*Courtney Jones and Doreen Denny*

preceded it. Courtney and Doreen easily defended their British title. At the European Championships at Garmisch-Partenkirchen, they retained their title without difficulty. The World Championships of 1960 were held in Vancouver, British Columbia. Courtney and Doreen easily won their second title.

Following the 1960 season, there were many rumors of their retirement, but Courtney and Doreen ultimately decided to carry on for one more year. Little could anyone realize at the time that the 1960-61 season would be quite different than any that had preceded it!

The British Dance Championship was held at Nottingham in early December 1960 as usual and Courtney and Doreen won their third title together and fifth for Courtney (a national record for him up to that time), without difficulty, defeating Mary Parry and Roy Mason of Birmingham. Third were Linda Shearman and Michael Phillips, later to become British and European Champions.

The 1961 European Championships were held at (West) Berlin at the end of January, returning to that venue for the first time since 1936. In what turned out to be their last competition, Courtney and Doreen won their third European title (and fifth for him, also

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This completes the fourth and last of a series on judging. If you think back, the ideas so far expressed could easily be about judging anything. In fact, one of the most extraordinary things about life itself is the diversity of what people feel, hear, and see, and how strongly they react to various occurrences.

This phenomena is an endless subject. So remarkable is it, that we probably will never know for sure whether any two people in the world have ever seen, heard, or felt exactly the same thing about anything. Examples range widely, from the differing views of witnesses to a crime, to a child saying “Ugh” when watching an adult cook liver or down an oyster.

Take a sunset, for instance. A painter would probably admire the colors; an architect would no doubt want to reconstruct the clouds; a mother would say, “Where’s Matt, he should have been home by now”; a golfer would cuss because he’s breaking eighty for the first time and it will be dark by the seventeenth tee; a child (or a fireman) would probably ask “What’s burning?” Naturally, an ice skater would say, “Getting late, better get to bed, gotta get up for the 6:00 A.M. patch.” And remember Linus and Charlie Brown looking at cloud patterns, Linus saying something like, “That one looks like a Picasso, and over there is a Renoir, but see, that big one is more like a Rembrandt. What do you see, Charlie?” And Charlie says, shamefacedly, “I thought they all looked like bunny rabbits.”

When you march any human being onto a stage you set the scene for a rainbow of variables. One example may suffice: the instructor approaches the pupil’s layout ice, peruses the figure-eight circles, mutters a bit, then greets the kid with, “Why so big?”

The pupil looks puzzled. “I measured.”

The instructor bristles. “Too big! Measure again.”

The child pouts but obeys. “See?”

Now the instructor pouts. He’s been had again, the second time in a week. The other time was loops. *They* had looked too *small*. Were his eyes going bad? No, just his composure. He has only to remember this same pupil complained that her routine music was

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fast on Tuesday and slow on Thursday . . . and tape recorder speeds never vary.

Maybe you see why we need three “proof-readers” judging skating? Sometimes seven are needed, sometimes more. Remember, the Supreme Court seats nine justices. (The last time they were unanimous may have been on a decision over the Nixon tapes during the Watergate days.)

Try it, just once. Try it with a friend or two (perhaps ones you might not mind losing for a week or so). Grab pencils with erasers—don’t forget the erasers—and pads, then climb into the stands during the next competitions. Start with an easy event first, one with short routines and little kids (so cute they bollix your emotions, so watch it!). First, get the starting order from the schedule board. Then just trust your instincts. Do not be surprised if your marks agree with the judges. You know far more than you think you do.

However, realize, too, that you will be “sitting forward” to evaluate, not “sitting back” to observe. Note the difference in your attitude, note the concentration, the attentiveness to detail. Feel your annoyance at distractions. Shut out everything except the skaters’ performances. Be so absorbed that you “become” one of the judges.

Then, and only then, will you begin to sense what it is to be a decider. The result can be startling, sometimes shocking. It may alert you to the *other* side of things. After all, we tend to resent authority in some form, at some time. Let’s not take out that resentment on sports officials.

# 1987 INTERNATIONAL PRECISION SKATING COMPETITION

by *Mary-Lucille Ager*

**T**he 1987 International Precision Skating Competition took place in Lake Placid, January 17 to 18. More than 2,200 skaters, representing ninety-two teams, plus coaches, chaperons, and family arrived in buses, jamming the Olympic Center, streets, and motels of the tiny upstate New York village. Alternating yearly with Buffalo, it was Lake Placid's third championship.

The competition was held in the 1980-Rink. Railings were lined with colorful team banners, flags of the competing nations hung in front of the huge, silver Olympic rings, and the stands rang with cheers and clapping. The best teams in the world, including one from Japan, were competing against each other.

There were two medal divisions. Gold for the final round winners of each class, and Silver, for fourth to sixth place teams in any class requiring a skate-off.

In the Senior category, the Pirouettes, Laval, Quebec, won the gold. Dressed in red, ribboned ponytails flying, they skated with great speed, good edges, and rapid pattern transitions, blending unnoticeably. Their program, to Big Band music, had difficult moves, superbly done. The Haydenettes, Lexington, Massachusetts, were second with another polished program that included spectacular line spirals, Ina Bauers, and reverse double circles. Canada's K-W Queens were third. The Hamden Figurettes, 1986 U.S. National Junior Champions, were in this group, skating now as Seniors. Placing fifth, they served notice that they will rise rapidly.

Delhi, Ontario's Second Edition, won the Silver division. Boosted by their card-holding cheering section, they skated with terrific speed and unison, excellent transitions into straight lines, covering the entire ice surface. The U.S. National Senior Champions, Hot Fudge Sundaes, were second and the Minneapplettes of Minnesota were third.

Of the twenty-six Junior teams, Ice Images, from Burlington, Ontario, took top honors

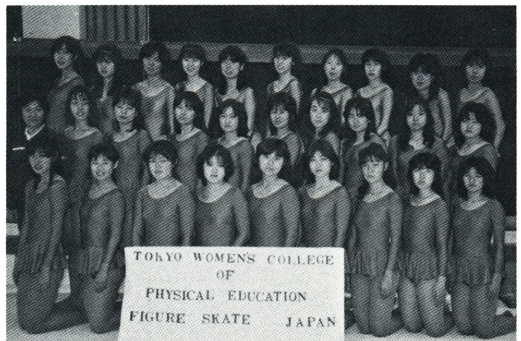
with a snappy routine of reverse circles, difficult footwork, and smooth transitions, done in super unison. Another excellent Canadian team Whitby Ice Crystals, were second and Delhi's Karen's Kolleens were third. Except for Rhode Island's Superettes, outstanding winners of the Silver category, Canadian teams dominated both Junior events.

The Novice Gold was won by Buffalo's Hot Fudge Sundaes, three-times U.S. National Novice Champions. The largest group (thirty-three members) competing, they were peppy, with great speed, original moves, excellent choreography, and their pinwheel reached from board to board. Behind them were Canada's Whitby Angels and Rose City Rhythms.

Canadians also dominated the Intermediates. Les Altesses, with their expert pass-throughs, were the winners. Warwick Munchkins were second and Les Riveraines took the bronze. All were well coached, had speed and good unison.

The youngest skaters, the "stars" of tomorrow, were in the Juveniles. Top winner of the gold were the Stepping Stones from Ontario. Cybelles of Quebec were the Silver winners.

The over-25 Adult teams seemed to have the most fun, dedicated enthusiasm, and the least member-turnover. Massachusetts teams took the top two medals, with our National







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*At the final awards ceremony of the Lake Placid International Precision Competition, the team from Japan was honored by fellow competitors and surrounded at center ice by silver and gold round medalists.*

Champions, Acton Ups, winning this category. Esprit De Corps were second and Rita's Roses, Ontario, placed third.

An Eastern Precision Judges School, sanctioned by JETS, was held in conjunction with the competition. Margaret Faulkner, Ann Fauver, professionals Sherrie Siclari and Terry Sweeney were the faculty. Seventy judges and prospective judges attended. They were instructed by live and video performances, and on-ice experience at holds, transitions, line skating, and other details to get the "feeling" of difficulty experienced by the teams.

Precision can be the savior of club membership and discouraged solo skaters *if* the present stumbling block . . . expense . . . can be solved. During the 1988 Olympic Games in Calgary, the Canadian National Precision team will give an exhibition. Hopefully, through this visual treat, precision one day soon will become an Olympic winter event.

Many teams, including two from the Iroquois Indian Reservation Six Nations FSC, contributed much to the competition and camaraderie between the skaters. The highlight, however, was the 28-member Tokyo Women's College of Physical Education team from Japan. Ranging in age from eighteen to twenty-two, none spoke English, yet good communication was quickly established with the other skaters. Without a rooting section

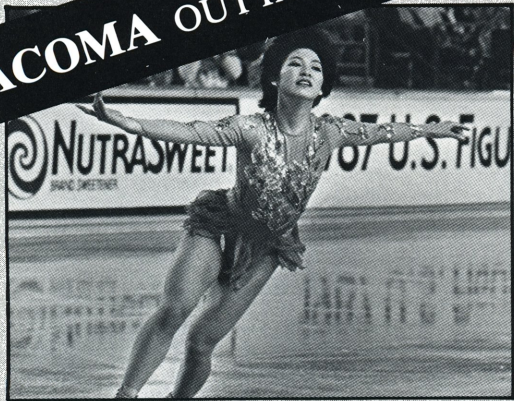
of their own, those in the stands developed cheers for them, and the popular Japanese were loudly supported every time they took the ice. Their program, though less difficult, was charmingly different, artistic, and polished. They earned standing ovations from everyone.

After the final awards were given and all medal teams were grouped around the ice, an announcement was made of a "special award" . . . for the team traveling the farthest. A scream went up from the skaters, and as the lavender-clad Tokyo group skated onto the ice, every team moved in to surround them, creating a riot of color, hugging, and tears of joy. Mrs. Nona Bafo, five-time chairman of the competition, and Mr. Virgil L. Widler, Chief Referee in charge of the complicated minute-to-minute scheduling of events, presented the medals. The rink hadn't seen such emotion since the USA hockey team won the Olympic gold medal there, seven years ago.

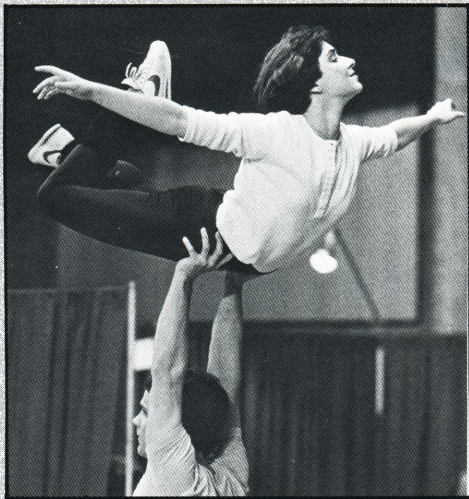
As the competition's official song, "We are the Champions" was played, the skaters joined hands and skated single file around the ice. When, "We are the World" followed, they formed a gigantic circle, with one skater spinning in the middle. With this, Lake Placid's most successful International Precision Competition came to an end.



# TACOMA OUTTAKES



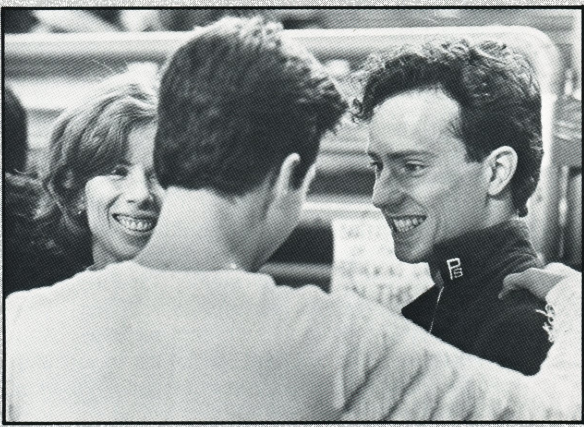
*Sparkling like a diamond from Tiffany's.*



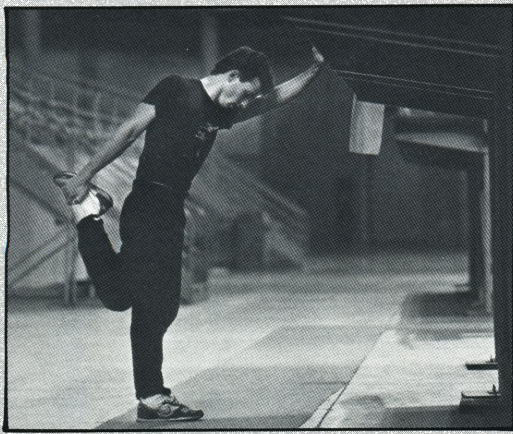
*Gillian & Todd: On a clear day, you can see forever.*



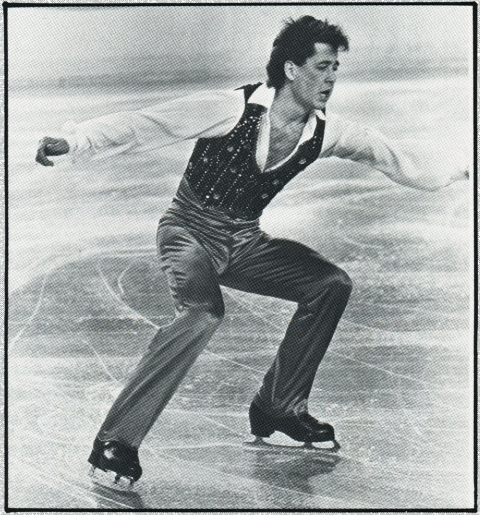
*Debi: "(Speed) × (height) × ..."*



*I was only kidding when I said 'break a leg.'*



*Solitude and concentration behind the stands.*



*Scott Williams . . . round and round we go.*

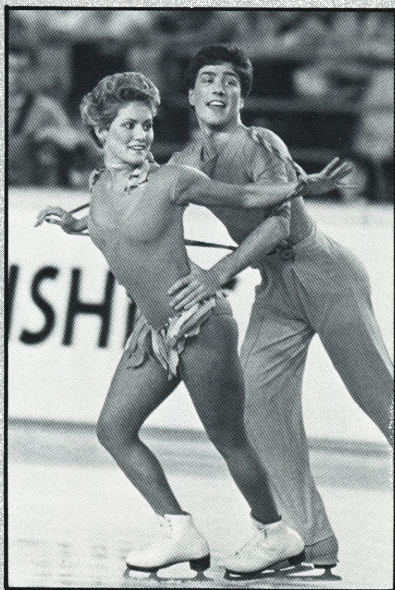




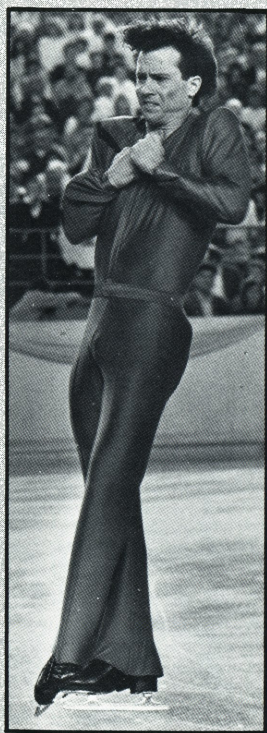
*Chris Bowman . . . you're my one and only puppy love.*



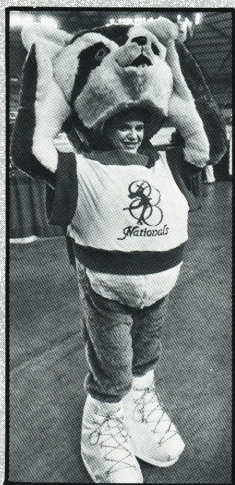
*Peter: "Trust me, Jill. Trust me."*



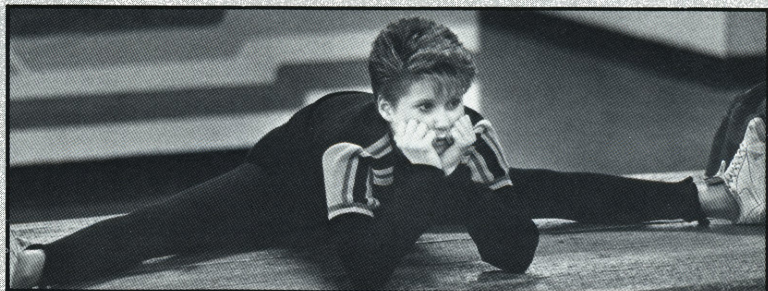
*Suzie & Scott: Suspended animation.*



*One . . . two . . . three . . . four . . .*



*Carrie Weber is peeking ahead towards Denver.*

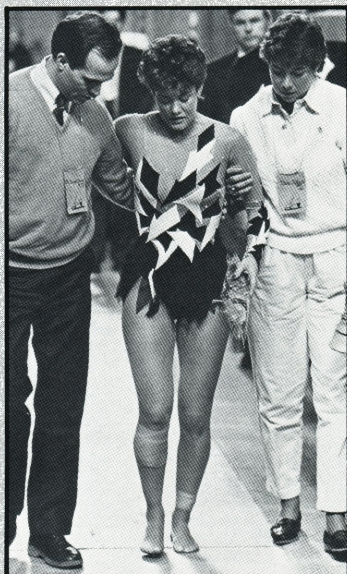


*Lori Blasko: Nothing keeps me from my soaps.*

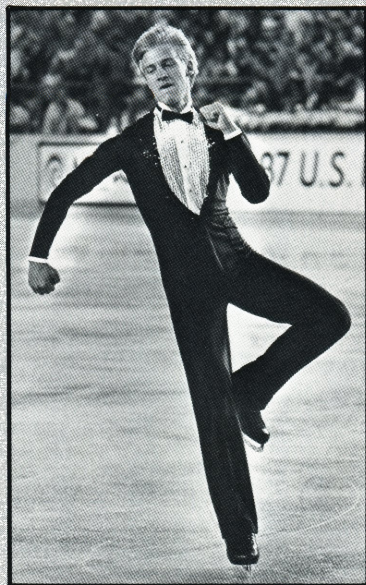




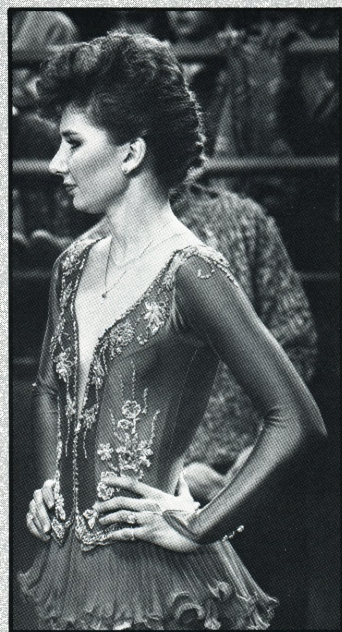
Joe: "Katy, I can't see where I'm going."



Kellee Murchison overcoming the pain.



Scott Kurttila . . . and away we go.



Caryn Kadavy: The hardest part is waiting.



Rosalynn Sumners and Brian Boitano share a serious moment.





*The three musketeers.*



*The joy of victory.*

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*Goody the Duck, just one of the gang.*



*Debi & Cindy: Two World Champions.*

## PRACTICE THOUGHTS

Do we share  
the same thoughts and feelings  
as we ride the same bus  
to our practice session?

My thoughts echo my feelings  
upon myself.

The sun is shining and the air is warm.  
From the bus, the mountains are all  
beautiful, with Mount Rainier standing  
out amongst them all.

Who will be the Mount Rainier of  
this competition? Will someone rise  
above all of us in strength and  
beauty, capturing all our hearts  
and souls for four and one-half minutes?

By earning the right to compete  
here, we have all proven ourselves  
mountains.

I am ready to compete and  
count myself among them.

—Luke Hohmann





**1987 UNITED STATES FIGURE SKATING CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
**TACOMA, WASHINGTON**  
**FEBRUARY 1-8, 1987**

**SENIOR MEN**

JUDGES: A-Dr. Harland L. Burge, Garden Grove, CA; B-Janet G. Allen, Edina, MN; C-Dorothy G. Dodson, Alexandria, VA; D-Joan I. Burns, Millbrae, CA; E-Bonnie McLauthlin, Denver, CO; F-Paula Ziegler, Wellesley, MA; G-Janet R. McLeod, Norwalk, CA; H-Edwin J. Cossitt, New York, NY; I-J. Barlow Nelson, Tulsa, OK. REFEREE: Howard G. Taylor, Walnut Creek, CA. ACCOUNTANT: Jo Anne Bryan, Sylvania, OH.

	CF	SP	FS		PLACES
1.	1	1	1	Brian Boitano, Peninsula FSC	2.0
2.	5	2	2	Christopher Bowman, Los Angeles FSC	5.8
3.	3	3	4	Scott Williams, All Year FSC	7.0
4.	2	4	5	Daniel Doran, Colorado SC	7.8
5.	4	7	3	Paul Wylie, SC of Boston	8.2
6.	7	5	6	Angelo D'Agostino, SC of Rockland, New York	12.2
7.	9	8	7	Scott Kurttila, Seattle SC	15.6
8.	10	6	8	Rudy Galindo, St. Moritz ISC	16.4
9.	8	9	9	James Cygan, Broadmoor SC	17.4
10.	6	14	12	Doug Mattis, Philadelphia SC & HS	21.2
11.	11	10	11	Erik Larson, San Diego FSC	21.6
12.	13	11	10	Steven Rice, SC of Lake Placid	22.2
13.	12	12	15	Tom Zakrajsek, Denver FSC	27.0
14.	17	13	13	David Liu, Winterhurst FSC	28.4
15.	14	15	14	Mark Mitchell, SC of Hartford	28.4
16.	15	17	17	Eddie Shipstad, Broadmoor SC	32.8
17.	18	16	16	Jon Robinson, Stone Mountain FSC	33.2
18.	16	18	18	Troy Goldstein, Los Angeles FSC	34.8

**SENIOR LADIES**

JUDGES: A-Roger A. Glenn, Appleton, WI; B-Ida S. Tateoka, South Jordan, UT; C-Ann Fauver, Gorham, ME; D-Barbara D. Holland, Columbus, OH; E-Thomas Easton, Shadow Hills, CA; F-Lucy Brennan, New York, NY; G-Will Smith, Tulsa, OK; H-Guido F. Sordelli, Anchorage, AK; I-Susan Johnson, Atlanta, GA. REFEREE: Charles U. Foster, Duxbury, MA. ACCOUNTANT: Adrienne Schafner, Beverly Hills, CA.

	CF	SP	FS		PLACES
1.	2	2	1	Jill Trenary, Broadmoor SC	3.0
2.	1	1	2	Debi Thomas, Los Angeles FSC	3.0
3.	3	9	3	Caryn Kadavy, Broadmoor SC	8.4
4.	4	3	5	Tiffany Chin, Los Angeles FSC	8.6
5.	8	7	4	Tonya Harding, Portland ISC	11.6
6.	9	4	6	Cindy Bortz, Los Angeles FSC	13.0
7.	5	8	7	Tracey Damigella, SC of Boston	13.2
8.	7	5	9	Holly Cook, Utah FSC	15.2
9.	6	13	11	Kathryn Adams, St. Moritz ISC	19.8
10.	11	11	10	Yvonne Gomez, St. Moritz ISC	21.0
11.	12	6	12	Julie Wasserman, SC of New York	21.6
12.	19	10	8	E. Rory Flack, San Diego FSC	23.4
13.	10	14	15	Kelly Ann Szmurlo, Greater Milwaukee FSC	26.6
14.	17	12	13	Carrie Weber, Broadmoor SC	28.0
15.	15	15	14	Elisa Scheuerman, Philadelphia SC & HS	29.0
16.	13	20	17	Dawn Victorson, FSC of Bloomington	32.8
17.	18	18	16	Lily Lee, Washington FSC	34.0
18.	16	19	18	Danielle-Alyse Babaian, SC of New York	35.2
19.	14	17	20	Joan Colignon, Arctic Blades FSC	35.2
20.	20	16	19	Micki McMahon, Detroit SC	37.4



**SENIOR PAIRS**

JUDGES: A—George B. Ludlow, Jr., Kent, CT; B—Virginia LeFevre, Troy, OH; C—Jean Robinson, San Leandro, CA; D—Joan H. Gruber, Wyomissing, PA; E—Nancy H. Bizzano, Long Lake, MN; F—Joyce M. Butchart, Seattle, WA; G—Grace A. Moore, Morristown, NJ; H—Monty Hoyt, Littleton, CO; I—Josephine Lawless, Canoga Park, CA. REFEREE: George T. Yonekura, San Leandro, CA. ACCOUNTANT: Janet H. Fry, Portland, OR.

SP	FS		PLACES
1.	2	1 Jill Watson & Peter Oppegard, Los Angeles FSC	1.8
2.	1	3 Gillian Wachsmann & Todd Waggoner, University of Delaware SC	3.4
3.	4	2 Katy Keeley & Joseph Mero, San Diego FSC	3.6
4.	3	4 Natalie Seybold, University of Delaware SC & Wayne Seybold, Fort Wayne ISC	5.2
5.	8	5 Kristi Yamaguchi & Rudy Galindo, St. Moritz ISC	8.2
6.	6	6 Calla Urbanski, University of Delaware SC & Michael Blicharski, Academy FSC	8.4
7.	7	7 Ashley Stevenson & Scott Wendland, All Year FSC	9.8
8.	12	8 Heidi Franks, Winterhurst FSC & Luke Hohmann, Detroit SC	12.8
9.	10	10 Maria Lako, University of Delaware SC & Joel McKeever, Colorado SC	14.0
10.	5	12 Karen Courtland, Essex SC of New Jersey & Joshua Roberts, University of Delaware SC	14.0
11.	13	9 Elaine Asanakis & Christopher Hefner, University of Delaware SC	14.2
12.	11	11 Sharon Carz & Doug Williams, All Year FSC	15.4
13.	9	14 Kellee Murchison, Arctic Blades FSC & Bob Pellaton, La Jolla FSC	17.6
14.	14	13 April Malakoff, La Jolla FSC & Rocky Marval, SC of New York	18.6
15.	15	15 Sherry Kern, Mesa Verde FSC & Michael Kern, Centennial SC	21.0

**SENIOR DANCE**

JUDGES: A—Dr. Lester M. Cramer, Colorado Springs, CO; B—Margaret H. Freepartner, Elma, WA; C—James W. Disbrow, Morristown, NJ; D—Joy Cunningham, Hudson, OH; E—Eleanor Curtis, Granada Hills, CA; F—Ann Greenthal, New York, NY; G—Shirley Sherman, Wilmette, IL; H—Marilyn Whelan, Castro Valley, CA; I—Elinor Houk, Pittsfield, MA. REFEREE: Ronald T. Pfenning, Hyannis, MA. ACCOUNTANT: Avonia Dondero, Orinda, CA.

CD	OSP	FD		PLACES
1.	2	1	1 Suzanne Semanick & Scott Gregory, University of Delaware SC	2.6
2.	1	2	2 Renee Roca, Genesee FSC & Donald Adair, Academy FSC	3.4
3.	3	3	3 Susan Wynne, Philadelphia SC & HS & Joseph Druar, Seattle SC	6.0
4.	4	4	4 April Sargent, University of Delaware SC & Russ Witherby, Queen City FSC	8.0
5.	5	5	5 Karen Knieriem, Broadmoor SC & Leif Erickson, Los Angeles FSC	10.0
6.	6	7	6 Ann Hensel, St. Moritz ISC & James Yorke, SC of Boston	12.4
7.	7	6	7 Jill Aleisa Heiser, San Diego FSC & Michael Verlich, Los Angeles FSC	13.6
8.	8	8	8 Dorothy Rodek, Dallas FSC & Robert Nardoza, Detroit SC	16.0
9.	9	9	9 Colette Huber & Ron Kravette, Los Angeles FSC	18.0
10.	11	10	10 Jodie Balogh, Academy FSC & Jerod Swallow, Detroit SC	20.6
11.	10	11	11 Tracy Sniadach & John D'Amelio, University of Delaware SC	21.4
12.	12	14	12 Laura Everngam, University of Delaware SC & Jerry Santoferrara, Peninsula FSC	24.8
13.	13	12	13 Beth McLean, SC of Boston & Ari Lieb, Babson SC	25.6
14.	14	13	15 Tonia Kleinsasser & Daniel Stahl, Broadmoor SC	28.6
15.	15	15	14 Jeanne Miley & Anthony Bardin, Los Angeles FSC	29.0

### JUNIOR MEN

JUDGES: A-L. Brennan; B-M. Hoyt; C-J. Lawless; D-A. Fauver; E-R.A. Glenn; F-J. Robinson; G-S. Johnson; H-B.D. Holland; I-Patricia J. Smart, Seattle, WA. REFEREE: Joseph D. Driano, Edmonds, WA. ACCOUNTANT: J.H. Fry.

	CF	SP	FS		PLACES
1.	1	6	2	Todd Eldredge, Broadmoor SC	5.0
2.	7	1	1	Patrick Brault, Los Angeles FSC	5.6
3.	5	2	3	Craig Heath, St. Moritz ISC	6.8
4.	3	4	4	Cameron Birky, St. Moritz ISC	7.4
5.	4	3	5	Shepherd Clark, Colorado SC	8.6
6.	2	11	8	Christopher Mitchell, Los Angeles FSC	13.6
7.	10	5	6	Norman Smilowitz, South Mountain FSC	14.0
8.	6	10	7	Alex Chang, Arctic Blades FSC	14.6
9.	8	13	9	Jon De Paz, SC of Boston	19.0
10.	13	8	10	Richard Sears, Colonial FSC	21.0
11.	12	9	11	Aren Nielsen, Silver Blades FSC	21.8
12.	9	14	12	Tommy Jasper, Skokie Valley SC	23.0
13.	11	12	13	Colin Vanderveen, Atlanta FSC	24.4
14.	15	7	14	Grant Noroyan, Detroit SC	25.8
15.	14	15	15	Mark Naylor, University of Delaware SC	29.4

### JUNIOR LADIES

JUDGES: A-Joseph T. Glab, Camarillo, CA; B-D.G. Dodson; C-N.H. Bizzano; D-M.H. Freepartner; E-G.A. Moore; F-Gale Tanger, Wauwatosa, WI; G-William K. Munns, Concord, CA; H-G.B. Ludlow, Jr.; I-Dr. L.M. Cramer. REFEREE: G.T. Yonekura. ACCOUNTANT: A. Schaffer.

	SF	SP	FS		PLACES
1.	2	2	4	Jeri Campbell, All Year FSC	6.0
2.	8	3	1	Kristi Yamaguchi, St. Moritz ISC	7.0
3.	5	4	3	Tonia Kwiatkowski, Winterhurst FSC	7.6
4.	10	1	2	Nancy Kerrigan, SC of Boston	8.4
5.	1	5	7	Elizabeth Wright, Colorado SC	9.6
6.	4	8	5	Dena Galech, Seattle SC	10.6
7.	9	6	6	Kathryn Curielli, FSC of Minneapolis	13.8
8.	7	7	8	Jenni Meno, Winterhurst FSC	15.0
9.	3	12	12	Dawn Duhamel, SC of Boston	18.6
10.	12	9	9	Maryanne Morgan, Atlanta FSC	19.8
11.	13	10	10	Caryn Lisa Yap, SC of New York	21.8
12.	6	13	13	Kate Hollister, St. Moritz ISC	21.8
13.	11	11	11	Karen Terry, All Year FSC	22.0

### JUNIOR PAIRS

JUDGES: A-W. Smith; B-W.K. Munns; C-P. Ziegler; D-G. Tanger; E-G.F. Sordelli; F-E.J. Cossitt; G-Dr. L.M. Cramer; H-T. Easton; I-J.H. Gruber. REFEREE: Walter Lupke, Jr., Fort Wayne, IN. ACCOUNTANT: A. Dondero.

	SP	FS		PLACES
1.	1	1	Kellie Lynn Creel, Los Angeles FSC & David McGovern, Arctic Blades FSC	1.4
2.	3	2	Michelle Laughlin & Mark Naylor, University of Delaware SC	3.2
3.	4	3	Julianne Thompson, Broadmoor SC & Brian Geddes, FSC of Rockford	4.6
4.	2	5	Sara Jeanne Powell & Robert Powell, SC of Boston	5.8
5.	6	4	Lara Dunlap, Houston FSC & John Denton, Arctic Blades FSC	6.4
6.	5	6	Wendy Weston & David Goodman, Yarmouth IC	8.0
7.	9	7	Paula Visingardi & Jeff Myers, Detroit SC	10.6
8.	7	8	Jennifer Heurlin & John Frederiksen, Broadmoor SC	10.8
9.	8	9	Christina Kopp & Rick Scarry, All Year FSC	12.2
10.	11	10	Jennifer Bayer, Detroit SC & Jeb Rand, Atlanta FSC	14.4
11.	10	11	Ann-Marie Wells & Brian Wells, University of Delaware SC	15.0
12.	12	12	Natasha Kuchiki & Richard Alexander, Los Angeles FSC	16.8



**JUNIOR DANCE**

JUDGES: A-E. Curtis; B-A. Greenthal; C-V. LeFevre; D-P.J. Smart; E-E. Houk; F-J. Cunningham; G-M. Whelan; H-J.W. Disbrow; I-S. Sherman. REFEREE: R.T. Pfennig. ACCOUNTANT: J.A. Bryan.

CD	OSP	FD		PLACES
1.	2	2	1 Jennifer Benz & Jeffrey Benz, Detroit SC	3.0
2.	1	1	2 Ann-Morton Neale, Ice & Blades Club of Washington & Dee Pascoe, Academy FSC	3.0
3.	3	3	3 Amy Webster, SC of Boston & John Millier, Kennebec SC	6.0
4.	5	5	4 Jennifer Goolsbee, Detroit SC & Peter Chupa, Academy FSC	9.0
5.	4	4	5 Elizabeth Punsalan, Los Angeles FSC & David Shirk, Academy FSC	9.0
6.	7	8	6 Ellen Altschuler, Philadelphia SC & HS & Bruce Montemayor, University of Delaware SC	13.4
7.	6	6	8 Tiffany Veltre, Arctic Blades FSC & Duane Greenleaf, Los Angeles FSC	14.0
8.	9	7	7 Heidi Hahn, Peninsula FSC & William Aquilino, Jr., University of Delaware SC	15.2
9.	10	9	10 Kara Berger, La Jolla FSC & Jay Barton, South Bay FSC	19.6
10.	8	10	11 Kineta King, South Mountain FSC & Shawn Rettstatt, Dallas FSC	19.8
11.	13	11	9 Jeannine Jones & Michael Shroge, Winterhurst FSC	21.2
12.	11	12	12 Holly Robbins & Jonathan Stine, Broadmoor SC	23.4
13.	12	13	13 Christie Clark, Yale FSC & Peter Breen, SC of Boston	25.4
14.	14	14	14 Kristina Nelson, San Diego FSC & Stephen Laumann, Los Angeles FSC	28.0

**NOVICE MEN**

JUDGES: A-J.B. Nelson; B-J.R. McLeod; C-J.H. Gruber; D-S. Sherman; E-Dr. H.L. Burge; F-P. Ziegler; G-G. Tanger; H-J.T. Glab; I-G.A. Moore. REFEREE: Maribel Leiter, Wichita, KS. ACCOUNTANT: J.H. Fry.

CF	FS		PLACES
1.	1	1 John Baldwin, Jr., Los Angeles FSC	2.0
2.	2	2 Damon Allen, FSC of Rockford	4.0
3.	5	4 Andre McGaughey, Seattle SC	9.0
4.	9	3 Michael Chack, SC of Rockland, New York	12.0
5.	6	6 Rick Alverson, Wissahickon SC	12.0
6.	4	8 Joseph Bracken, II, SC of Lake Placid	12.0
7.	3	10 Yearle Klinger, SC of Phoenix	13.0
8.	11	5 Grant Rorvick, St. Paul FSC	16.0
9.	7	9 Brian Schmidt, FSC of Bloomington	16.0
10.	10	7 Steven Smith, Peninsula FSC	17.0
11.	8	12 Robert Morris, Philadelphia SC & HS	20.0
12.	12	11 Chris Browne, Troy SC	23.0

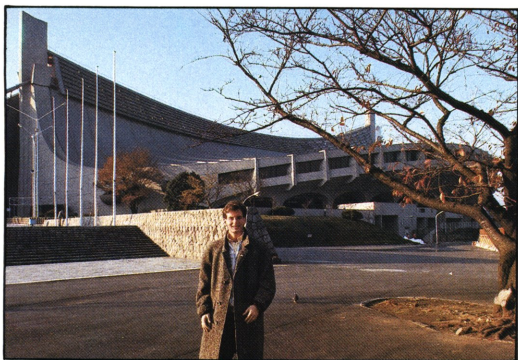
**NOVICE LADIES**

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CF	FS		PLACES
1.	2	1 Amy Holberg, Rocky Mountain FSC	3.0
2.	3	2 Berkley Villard, Lilac City FSC	5.0
3.	1	5 Tarah Donelan, Colonial FSC	6.0
4.	6	3 Geremi Weiss, Washington FSC	9.0
5.	7	4 Alice Claeys, Burnsville-Minnesota Valley FSC	11.0
6.	5	6 Tamara Kuchiki, Los Angeles FSC	11.0
7.	4	7 Shannon Caudill, All Year FSC	11.0
8.	12	8 Samantha Hawks, SC of Lake Placid	20.0
9.	11	9 Denise Williams, SC of New York	20.0
10.	10	10 Kirstin Stoll, Rocky Mountain FSC	20.0
11.	9	11 Claire Lundin, FSC of Rockford	20.0
12.	8	12 Kelly May Moller, Overlake SC	20.0

# The Japanese Experience

by Angelo D'Agostino



The author in front of the beautiful Yoyogi National Stadium in Tokyo.

When I think back to my trip to Tokyo for the NHK Trophy I can't help but reminisce fondly about all the incredible things I experienced and learned. Tokyo is just about the furthest place away from home I have ever been, but probably one of the most favorite cities I have been able to visit.

Everyone's major concern about traveling to Japan is usually the length of the flight and the sixteen or seventeen hours time change. Planning ahead for this, I split up the long trek by staying over night in Seattle before meeting up with the rest of the team. For me, this really made a big difference on fatigue and I would suggest this to anyone traveling from the Midwest or East.

After landing at Narita International Airport in Japan we were quickly whisked through customs and met by a representative from the competition to take us to our hotel. We were soon on a bus heading for Tokyo. Unfortunately the ride to our hotel took about an hour and a half which did not sound very promising being jet lagged, but the bus was comfortable, and everyone was ex-

cited to be in Japan at last. It was interesting to learn that the Japanese drive the English way—on the left side of the road. We were also able to see, from the bus, Japanese Disneyland complete with Cinderella's Castle and everything else. I had no idea it even existed.

As we made our way closer into the city, things became more crowded and it took on the look of a very big city. I had not anticipated the modern chrome and glass buildings, and I couldn't get over the amount of neon lighting used. Every building had signs flashing their products in neon. Some were as tall as twenty feet high and thirty feet wide. It was like Times Square only quadruple in size. I concluded that if you were in the neon business in Tokyo you were probably very successful and wealthy.

The official hotel in which we were housed was first rate. With just a turn off the main road we were suddenly in a complex with two huge hotels separated by beautifully tailored Japanese



Japanese gardens on the hotel grounds, once the residence of Prince Takanawa.

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*The 1987 NHK Team, left to right, front row: Natalie Seybold, Jill Watson, Suzanne Semanick, Yvonne Gomez, Holly Cook, and team leader Margaret Faulkner. Back row: Wayne Seybold, Peter Oppegard, Scott Gregory, Scott Williams, and Angelo D'Agostino.*

gardens. It was like a sanctuary in the midst of the business of downtown Tokyo. The land on which the hotels were built was once the grounds of the residence of the Prince of Japan, thus giving the hotels their names, the Prince Takanawa and the New Prince Takanawa. It was especially nice to have such beautiful and comfortable accommodations during the competition.

We were in Tokyo two days before being able to skate in the arena in which we were to compete. I had seen many pictures of Yoyogi National Stadium and was very anxious to see it in person. Our first practice session was Thursday morning. We boarded a bus and were taken across town to the arena. Yoyogi National Stadium is an incredible facility. It's a very modern structure resembling something you would expect to see in a futuristic city, made completely of gray concrete with very sharp angular lines. Entering the arena you can not help but be overwhelmed by the size and beauty of its interior. The stadium was originally constructed for the swimming events for the 1964 Tokyo Olympic

Games. The pools are drained, floors and refrigeration are put down and the ice is made over that. The high diving boards are still visible at the end of the ice during the skating events.

The Draw Ceremony at this competition was very important. The Dancers and Single skaters of course have no compulsory dances or figures to determine their skating orders. I was really sweating it out hoping for a good draw. I now know what the pair skaters go through before they draw. Fortunately all the Americans got good draws and no one had to skate first. *Phew!* We had a fabulous reception afterwards with an impressive spread of food including Sushi that made many eyes roll. Even though there were a few brave ones who tried it, and some who really liked it, Sushi was not for me.

Time finally arrived for the competition to begin. All the different events competed in their first phase of competition on the same day. By the evening we were already half way through the competition. I was impressed with the efficiency and organization of the people



and the way they ran their competition. It seemed as though every detail had been taken care of. If you thought of something that should be done, the Japanese had probably already done it. The sound system was phenomenal, as to be expected, and the ice conditions were excellent by the start of the competition. What more could you ask for?

I was fortunate to have a day off between the short program and long program and was able to do some sight-seeing and shopping in Tokyo. We were brave and took the trains and subways to "Ginza" the major area for shopping and to "Akihabara" the electronics district. It was very easy to take the public transportation system until we got to one particular station that had signs and maps written only in Japanese characters. We found there were quite a lot of people who spoke English and were very glad to help us. It seemed as though the people who did know how to speak English were very anxious to use it. I felt the Japanese really like Americans. It is not always that way when traveling in foreign countries.

Sunday, the last day of competition was a very hectic day from morning till night. The other events had finished their competition the evening before but the men had yet to skate their long program. Then, immediately following the Men's finals was the Exhibition. So there was a quick switch from competition mode to exhibition mode. After the Exhibition was over, it was time for the Closing Ceremonies Party and Dinner Banquet.

It was nice to see everyone finally relaxed and really enjoying themselves. The food and festivities were really spectacular and, yes, it was time for Sushi again. After dinner the organizing committee had planned for us to play Bingo. Most everyone groaned and made jokes about playing Bingo until we saw what the prizes were. Everything from cameras to portable stereos to Walkmans to pearl

necklaces. Suddenly the mood changed as we became very serious and very quiet about playing "Bingo." It really was a great celebration and probably one of the best after competition parties I have attended.

So now, the competition had come to an end. Ahead was our flight Monday night to take us home and, for me, back to reality. The long flights gave me the chance to reflect on the time we spent in Japan. I felt the American team did exceptionally well bringing home four medals total, more than any other country: one bronze, two silver, and one gold.

I also had the chance to really think about the Japanese people. Aside from the warmth and politeness of the people, it was their efficiency that impressed me the most. Everything ran like clockwork. Organization is a way of life for them. Perhaps the reason why they are so efficient and so organized is that there is no room in their lives for disarray. Tokyo is the most crowded city I have ever seen, and the traffic was unbelievable. Japan has a population of 120 million people of which ten percent or 12 million, live right in Tokyo proper. By any standard, that is a lot of people in a relatively small area. Lack of space causes them to really make sure everything *is* and happens for a reason. Without this I could only imagine chaos.

I made lots of friends to whom I write and from whom I receive letters. This will really help me remember my stay in Japan. I just hope that future teams going over for competition will enjoy Japan and get out of it all the wonderful experiences that I did. Go with an open mind and just experience it. You'll love it!

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# NORTH ATLANTICS

by Sharon Feinsod

The 1987 North Atlantic competition, hosted by the Skating Club of Morris at Mennen Arena, Morristown, New Jersey, concluded on November 15 with dynamic presentations in the Senior Men's, Senior Ladies', Junior Ladies' and Men's, and Junior Dance competitions.

Allison Oki, 1984 National Junior Ladies' Champion from the SC of New York, returned to Senior Ladies and captured the gold medal, winning first in the short and giving a lively, well-executed long program. A consistent long program gave Kathaleen Kelly, SC of Lake Placid, second place, while third place was awarded to Danielle-Alyse Babaian, SC of New York, who had gone into the long in second place. Julie Wasserman, a strong freestylist also from the SC of New York, retained fourth place after the final freestyle.

The Senior Men's division drew five experienced competitors, with Steven Rice, SC of Lake Placid, placing first in all three events. Another Lake Placid skater, Brian Grant, moved up in the long program to capture the silver medal. John Liotta, SC of New York and new to Seniors, captured the bronze medal after placing second in figures. Rocky Marval, a fellow club competitor, placed fourth, after a strong short program for which he was awarded second place.

The Junior Ladies' contest began with twenty-two competitors, many of whom show great promise. Julia Simkin, SC of Rockland, skated elegantly with balletic influence to capture the gold medal after winning figures and the short program in Group A. Her magnificent white and pale pink petal dresses complemented her as a bird in flight. Consistent and soft was Dorothy Crowley, Rye FSC, who placed second in her group and went on to capture the silver medal. Caryn Yap, SC of New York, and Stacey Richmond, SC of Westchester, skated a close competition in the initial round. Caryn placed third

with an extremely athletic, strong program and Stacey finished fourth overall.

Excitement filled the Junior Men's event as Norman Smilowitz, South Mountain FSC, captured the gold medal after laying out first-place figures and executing high, beautifully extended combinations and triples in both the short and long programs. Phillip Di-Guglielmo, Essex SC of New Jersey, skated an outstanding, fast-moving long program to secure the silver medal, and Jason Dilworth, Rye FSC, placed third.

The Junior Dance event proved to hold the biggest surprise. Kineta King, South Mountain FSC, and Shawn Rettstatt, Dallas FSC, captured first place in all three events with a slinky Blues compulsory. Andrea and Martin Chow, South Mountain FSC, defeated Wendy and Peter Mirsky, Essex SC of New Jersey, skating for the first time in Juniors. The Chows rose from third place in the compulsories to second place in the free dance with a delightful, as well as elegant, number to oriental music in native costume.

Three groups of Novice Ladies totaling thirty-two competitors ended with Alyssa Joy Stith, SC of New York, capturing the gold medal. Fellow club member Denise Williams won the silver medal, and Samantha Hawks, SC of Lake Placid, retained third place, with Michelle Beth Longo, SC of Rockland, finishing a close fourth.

The Novice Men's champion, Joseph Bracken II, SC of Lake Placid, outskated Michael Chack, SC of Rockland, who assumed second place by defeating Lance Vickers/Travis, also of the SC of Rockland.

Twenty-six young ladies skated in the Intermediate competition. The gold medalist was Bobbie Anne Flower from the SC of Westchester. Erika Eichelberger of the Genesee FSC held onto second place, with Nicole Piekarski, SC of Morris, surpassing Kristen Painter, SC of Lake Placid, for the bronze medal.





**SENIOR MEN**

Steven Rice, Gold; Brian Grant, Silver;  
John Liotta, Bronze; Rocky Marval, Fourth



**SENIOR LADIES**

Allison Oki, Gold; Kathaleen Kelly, Silver;  
Danielle-Alyse Babaian, Bronze;  
Julie Wasserman, Fourth



**JUNIOR MEN**

Norman Smilowitz, Gold; Phillip DiGuglielmo, Silver;  
Jason Dilworth, Bronze; Christian Conte, Fourth



**JUNIOR LADIES**

Julia Simkin, Gold; Dorothy Crowley, Silver;  
Caryn Yap, Bronze; Stacey Richmond, Fourth

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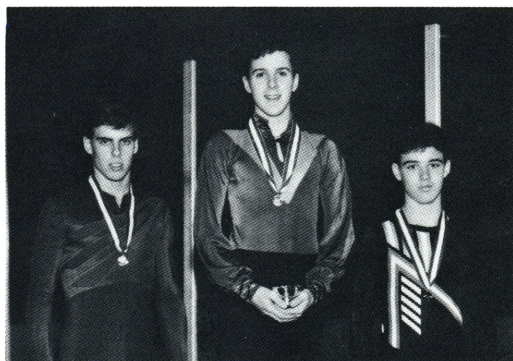
**JUNIOR DANCE**

Kineta King & Shawn Rettstatt, Gold  
Andrea Chow & Martin Chow, Silver  
Wendy Mirsky & Peter Mirsky, Bronze



### NOVICE LADIES

Alyssa Joy Stith, Gold; Denise Williams, Silver;  
Samantha Hawks, Bronze;  
Michelle Beth Longo, Fourth



### NOVICE MEN

Joseph Bracken II, Gold; Michael Chack, Silver;  
Lance Vickers/Travis, Bronze

The Men's Intermediate level had five competitors, the gold winner of which was Bryan Hurley, SC of New York. He defeated Matthew Stimac, SC of Lake Placid, the silver medalist. Bronze and fourth place were awarded to individual member Freddy Budde and Daniel Falcone, SC of Lake Placid, respectively.

Although these skaters will not go to Easterns because of the category restrictions, the judges saw a future of promise with four Juvenile Ladies in Group B: Jennifer Di-Constanzo, South Mountain FSC, claimed the gold, Sheryl Mozur, Rye FSC, took the silver, Celia Cohen, SC of Morris, won the bronze, and fellow Morris club member Kim Fleming placed fourth. Perhaps next year they will be challenging this year's Group A winners, Jaclyn Ward, Metropolitan FSC, first place, Julie Maguire, SC of Morris, second place. Galit Chait, SC of Rockland, defeated Jenna Dumond, SC of Morris, for third place.

Not to be missed for their ongoing participation in Adult Dance, Harlene Lee and E. Richie VanVliet again captured the gold medal, followed by Lynn Hayes and J. Wixson Smith all of the Genesee FSC. The bronze medal was awarded to Patricia Wynn, Cornell FSC, and Peter Murfitt, Skaneateles FSC.

The competitors, grateful to the SC of Morris for a well-run competition, and to the judges who traveled from as far as Atlanta

and Buffalo to participate, look forward to Easterns and the 1988 North Atlantics, where we can follow their growth from this terrific year.

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# EASTERN GREAT LAKES

by Jan Jordan

The newly refurbished Ice Box II Arena was the site of the 1987 Eastern Great Lakes regional competition held November 2 to 8. The Academy FSC, hosts for this event, welcomed over 320 skaters.

The Senior Ladies' event was won by Micki McMahon, Detroit SC, who won both the long and short programs. Triple jumps and double Axels were completed with unbeatable style and finesse. Michelle Millikan, WC of Indianapolis, skated well to overcome a fifth-place figure score to capture the silver medal. Jodi Shaw, Queen City FSC, skated solidly in all three events to take the bronze. Anne Fischer, Detroit SC, finished fourth.

Junior Ladies was the most competitive group in this year's competition. The three medal winners were all from the Winterhurst FSC and were all coached by Carol Heiss Jenkins! Jenni Meno won the long and short program to win the gold medal. Style and maturity combined with truly good skating skills made her both exciting and a true pleasure to watch. Marcy Reis won the figure event and skated well enough to remain in second place. Shannon Kardos was very balletic and finished third overall. Jill Weisenstein, Academy FSC, was fourth.

Junior Men was won by Grant Noroyan, Detroit SC, whose strong stylistic long program had the crowd cheering from the opening note of his music. John King, Winterhurst FSC, was a solid performer in every event and placed second. Frank Singley, Winterhurst FSC, was first after figures and placed third overall. Steven Moore, Troy SC, was fourth.

When Novice Lady Megan Carpenter, Academy FSC, landed a triple Salchow in the final round, the crowd roared its approval. The judges agreed and awarded Megan the gold medal. The silver medal was won by Theresa Weber, Queen City FSC. Annette Jasinkiewicz, Garden City FSC, placed first in figures and won the bronze medal. Tamra Chute, Garden City FSC, was fourth.

Chris Browne, Troy SC, won the figures and placed first overall in the Novice Men's group. Dan Hollander, Detroit SC, skated a very solid freestyle, winning that event and placing second. John Wright, Academy FSC, won the bronze medal and Dave Tonidandel, Winterhurst FSC, placed fourth.

Intermediate Ladies was the largest group of qualifying skaters. From fifty-six skaters, the final round of sixteen was narrowed down to the top four finishers. Tiffany Pichon, Winterhurst FSC, earned the gold. Lisa Larive, North Suburban FSC, won the figure event and placed second. The bronze medal was awarded to tiny Lisa Marie Ervin, Winterhurst FSC. Lisa won the freestyle event handily to move up from ninth after figures. This "little" girl bears watching in the future! Rebecca Biggs, Queen City FSC, was fourth.

Intermediate Men was won by David Kastan, Troy SC, who also won the freestyle event. Mark Drouillard, Academy FSC, won the silver. Scott Tonidandel, Winterhurst FSC, won the figures and the bronze, while Brian Scherle, Plymouth FSC, took fourth.

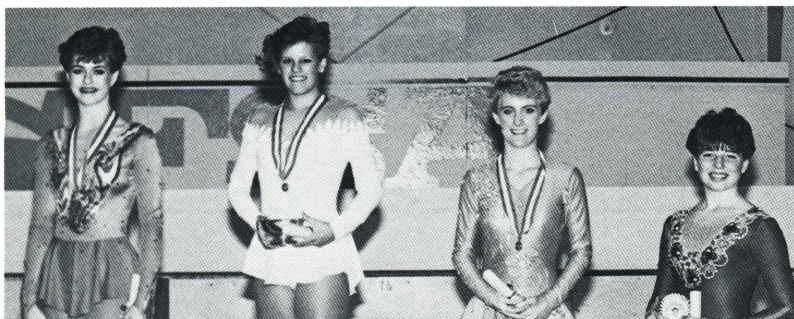
Gold medals were won in Juvenile Girls by: Julie Neumark, Queen City FSC, Vicki Johnson, Queen City FSC, Catherine Baffo, Detroit SC, and Regan Wagner, FSC of Memphis. Ryan Hunka, Winterhurst FSC, won the gold for Juvenile Boys.

Novice Pairs' gold medal was won by Shelby Hester and David Walker, FSC of Memphis. They had solid lifts and fine side by side moves. The silver medal team of Marcy Reis, Winterhurst FSC, and Mel Chapman, Wyandotte FSC, presented an energetic program with good unison. Kerry and Ryan Lini, Greenbrier FSC, skated to a bronze.

In Junior Pairs the gold medal team of Shanda and Brandon Smith, Detroit SC, won both the short and long program. Their helicopter lift, throw Axel, and inside death

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**SENIOR LADIES**

Micki McMahon, Gold; Michelle Millikan, Silver;  
Jodi Shaw, Bronze; Anne Fischer, Fourth



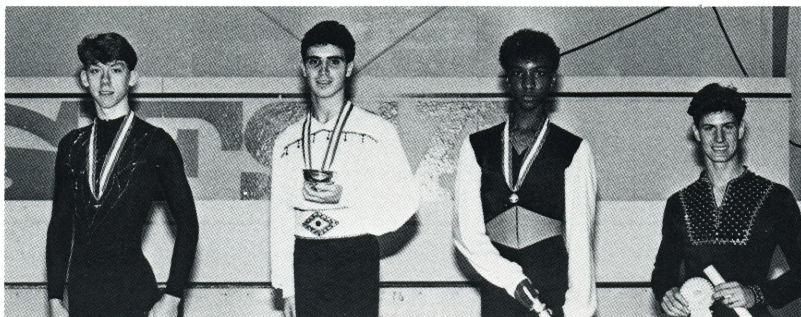
**JUNIOR PAIRS**

Shanda Smith & Brandon Smith, Gold  
Jennifer Bayer & Jeb Rand, Silver



**SENIOR DANCE**

Jodie Balogh & Jerod Swallow, Gold



**JUNIOR MEN**

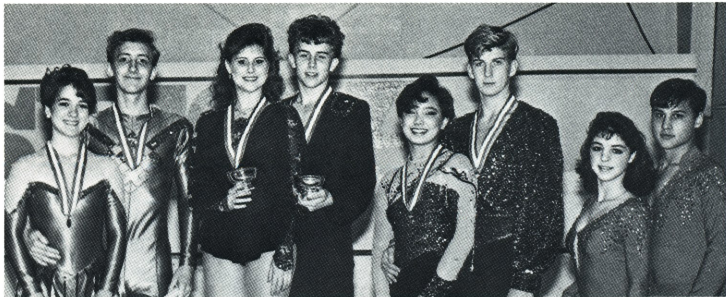
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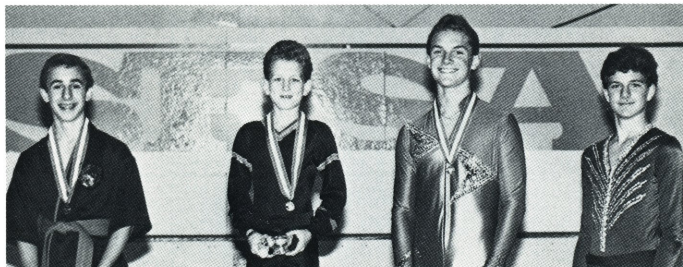
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Shannon Kardos, Bronze; Jill Weisenstein, Fourth





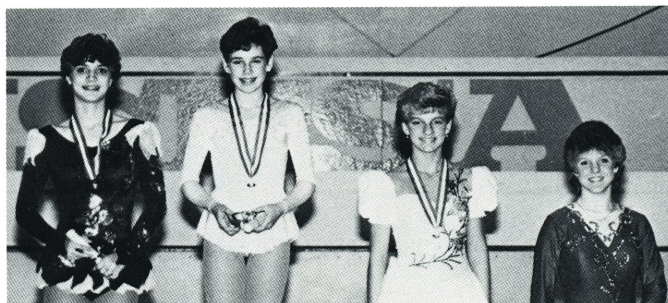
**JUNIOR DANCE**

Jennifer Benz & Jeffrey Benz, Gold  
 Ann-Morton Neale & Dee J. Pascoe, Silver  
 Jennifer Goolsbee & Peter Chupa, Bronze  
 Jeannine Jones & Michael Shroge, Fourth



**NOVICE MEN**

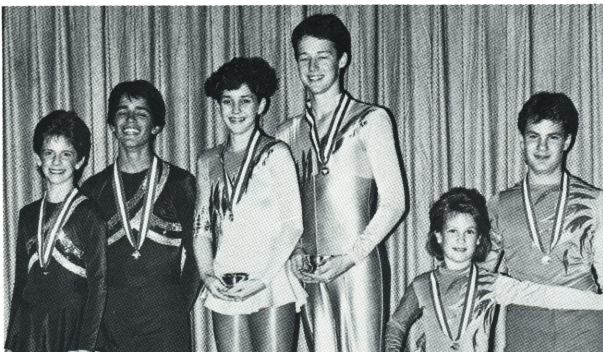
Chris Browne, Gold; Dan Hollander, Silver;  
 John Wright, Bronze; Dave Tonidandel, Fourth



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**NOVICE LADIES**

Megan Carpenter, Gold; Theresa Weber, Silver;  
 Annette Jasinkiewicz, Bronze; Tamra Chute, Fourth



**NOVICE PAIRS**

Shelby Hester & David Walker, Gold  
 Marcy Reis & Mel Chapman, Silver  
 Kerry Lini & Ryan Lini, Bronze



**NOVICE DANCE**

Katie Williamson & Ben Williamson, Gold  
 Andrea Constanzo & Mark Skiles, Silver



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# SOUTHWEST PACIFICS

Glorious sunshine brightened the Southern California sky as the Arctic Blades Figure Skating Club hosted the 1987 Southwest Pacific Championships. Although entries were less than in past years, there was a promising depth in pairs and dance events. The four couples in Senior Dance, all former National and International competitors, performed particularly well in the OSP in beautiful, flowing costumes to lovely waltz music that sent the audience home humming. The title was won by Karen Knieriem, Broadmoor SC, and Leif Erickson, Los Angeles FSC, the silver medal by Jill Heiser, San Diego FSC, and Michael Verlich, Los Angeles FSC, and the bronze by last year's National Junior Dance champions, Colette Huber and Ron Kravette, Los Angeles FSC. Jeanne Miley and Anthony Bardin, Los Angeles FSC, finished fourth.

Injuries diminished the ranks of Senior Pairs to only three couples. Ashley Stevenson and Scott Wendland, All Year FSC, skated a strong short and free to capture the crown with Sharon Carz and Doug Williams, also from the All Year FSC, in second place. Several unfortunate falls troubled Lori Blasko, Conejo Valley FSC, and Todd Sand, Los Angeles FSC, in both initial and final rounds to put them in a disappointing third.

The Senior Men's championship was decided when Erik Larson, San Diego FSC, won the long program, breaking a tie with William Lawe, Los Angeles FSC. Troy Goldstein, also from the Los Angeles FSC, took the bronze medal.

All of the thirteen Senior Ladies had difficulties as both short and long programs were plagued with falls and errors. Consistency paid off for Joan Colignon, Arctic Blades FSC, who emerged victorious over E. Rory Flack, San Diego FSC, Kimberly Drenser, Arctic Blades FSC, and Juli Stevens, Los Angeles FSC.

Junior Ladies' champion, Jeri Campbell, All Year FSC, showed strength in all aspects of the event with a first place in each of the

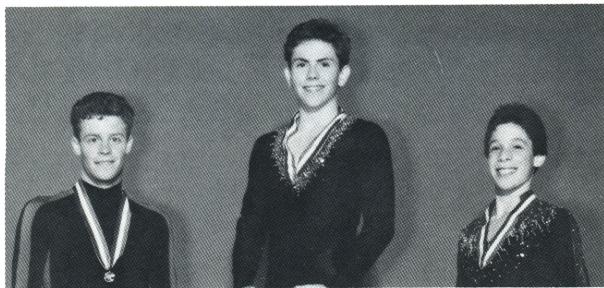
components. One of the highlights of the competition was her short program which included triple toe/double toe and a spectacular running camel spin. All Year FSC's Karen Terry, the silver medalist, is a wonderful technician but lacked sparkle in the free skating. Jennifer Anderson, also from the All Year FSC, finished third with a consistent performance, and Jennifer Itoh, Los Angeles FSC, a powerhouse free skater, pulled into fourth place and a trip to sectionals.

Victory in the Junior Men's event was also the result of a broken tie with the well-planned, audience-pleasing long program of Patrick Brault, Los Angeles FSC, edging out Alex Chang, Arctic Blades FSC, for the title. Figure winner Christopher Mitchell, Los Angeles FSC, dropped into third place and Tim Dever, Arizona FSC, remained fourth.

Kellie Creel, Los Angeles FSC, and David McGovern, Arctic Blades FSC, both strong singles skaters, paired up this year to win the Junior Pair event over five other couples. All of their lifts were well done and their perfectly timed side-by-side Russian splits had the audience buzzing. Christina Kopp and Rick Scarry, All Year FSC, showed much improvement and won the silver medal with a new couple, Natasha Kuchiki and Richard Alexander, Los Angeles FSC, taking the bronze. Dawn Goldstein, All Year FSC, and Troy Goldstein, Los Angeles FSC, moved up to fourth place.

Junior Dance had seven couples topped by Elizabeth Punsalan, Los Angeles FSC, and David Shirk, Academy FSC, taking the gold followed by Tiffany Veltre, Arctic Blades FSC, and Duane Greenleaf, Los Angeles FSC, in second place and Kara Berger, La Jolla FSC, and Jay Barton, South Bay FSC, in third. Here again, the OSP waltzes were particularly pleasing.

As is so often the case, the Novice Ladies waged a free skating battle with any of the top six possible victors. Tamara Kuchiki, Los Angeles FSC, who won the figures, also succeeded in winning the freestyle and the cham-



**SENIOR MEN**

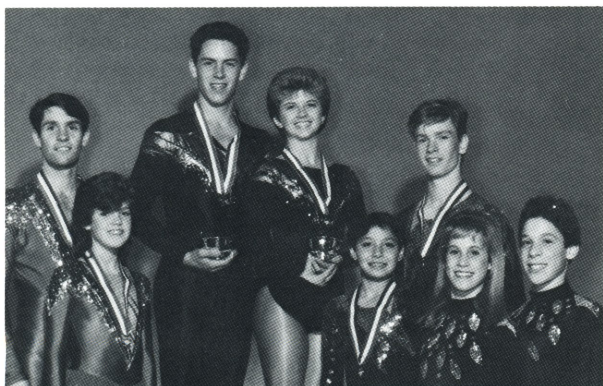
Erik Larson, Gold; William Lawe, Silver;  
Troy Goldstein, Bronze



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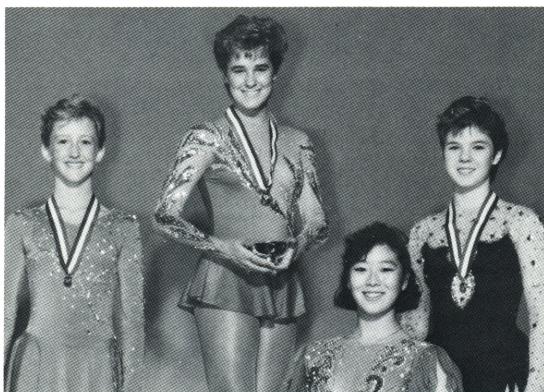
**NOVICE DANCE**

Tiffany Gross & Robert Davis, Gold  
Dolores Tomblin & Thomas Clark, Silver  
Holly Vessichelli & Gregory Levorchick, Bronze  
Caroline Menard & Karim Aityata, Fourth



**JUNIOR PAIRS**

Kellie Creel & David McGovern, Gold  
Christina Kopp & Rick Scarry, Silver  
Natasha Kuchiki & Richard Alexander, Bronze  
Dawn Goldstein & Troy Goldstein, Fourth



**JUNIOR LADIES**

Jeri Campbell, Gold; Karen Terry, Silver;  
Jennifer Anderson, Bronze; Jennifer Itoh, Fourth



pionship over Shannon Caudill, All Year FSC, and Tisha Walker, Conejo Valley FSC, with the stronger figures of Ashley Stevenson, All Year FSC, keeping her in fourth place.

Los Angeles FSC's John Baldwin, Jr. became Novice Men's champion defeating Christopher Beck, All Year FSC, and Vearle Klinger, SC of Phoenix. Although last in figures, Richard Alexander, Los Angeles FSC, won the freestyle to pull into fourth place.

Seven promising pairs in the Novice event bode well for the future. In first place were former roller skaters, Roseann Crowe and Rudy Nevarez, San Fernando Valley FSC. Dawn Piepenbrink, All Year FSC, and Tim Dever, Arizona FSC, placed second with Christina Palmieri and Casper Young, Los Angeles FSC, third. Debbie Tollison and Eric Wylie, All Year FSC, finished fourth to go on to sectionals. But particular note should be made of the fifth-place pair, All Year FSC's Nicole and Gregory Sciarotta, Jr. At ages eight and ten respectively, they lack the strength for full arm extension in the lifts, but their well-choreographed program included combination spins, throw double Salchow and throw Axel, with excellent unison throughout and a good rapport with the crowd. Sciarotta is a name to remember.

Tiffany Gross and Robert Davis, La Jolla FSC, won the Novice Dance event while Shannon Fill and Dana Goulston, Los Angeles FSC, became the first Pre-Intermediate Dance champions.

The Adult Dance gold was captured by Ethel Field and Ryoichi Kobayashi, South Bay FSC, with Birgit Luciani, San Diego FSC, and Robert Engle, La Jolla FSC, taking over second, passing Paula Murray, Arctic Blades FSC, and Stan Kolodzi, Los Angeles FSC, who finished third.

A strong performance throughout won the Intermediate Ladies' title for Jennifer Davidson, Conejo Valley FSC, while David Coleman, Arizona FSC, was victorious in Intermediate Men. Joan-Ying Chang, Mesa Verde FSC, won both the figure and freestyle portion of Juvenile Girls to become the new champion. The only entry in Juvenile Boys, Christopher Gaddis, Arctic Blades FSC, and the only Intermediate dancers, Dana Schneider, Arctic Blades FSC, and Baker Bloodworth, Los Angeles FSC, skated exhibitions for the audience.

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# EASTERNS

by Sallie Olmsted

December 8 to 13 was an exciting but tense week of competition at the Mt. Vernon Recreation Center in Alexandria, Virginia. Those skaters who placed in the top four slots were thrilled and relieved to know that they would be going on to Nationals, but disappointment mirrored the faces of those who will have to try again next year.

In Senior Ladies, Lily Lee, Washington FSC, won first place by skating a solid short program, and a graceful, expressive long program which included a triple toe loop, double Axel, and a double Lutz-double toe loop combination. Lee's coach, Gordon McKellen, Jr., provided rinkside spectators with comic relief/tension release bantering sessions which were almost as entertaining as the skating portion of the Senior Ladies' events. Julie Wasserman, SC of New York, winner of the Senior Ladies' silver medal, skated a power-packed long program, for which the judges ranked her first, but it was not quite powerful enough to pull her up to an overall win. Elisa Scheuermann, Philadelphia SC & HS, finished third, and Danielle-Alyse Babaian, SC of New York, was fourth.

The Senior Men's division was a tight race and a closely competitive event. Angelo D'Agostino, SC of Rockland, New York, who had just returned from Tokyo, Japan with the Men's NHK Trophy was definitely revved up to win again for the second time in a ten day time frame. D'Agostino wowed the judges and spectators with an aggressive athletic presentation, and elegant artistic interpretation of his music. Trailing closely behind D'Agostino were Mark Mitchell, SC of Hartford, who won the short program and finished second, and Steven Rice, SC of Lake Placid, bronze medalist. Finishing in fourth place, Jon Robinson, Stone Mountain FSC, skated a powerful long program, which combined strong triple jumps with unusual artistic elements.

Gillian Wachsmen and Todd Waggoner, both representing the University of Delaware

SC, easily took first place in Senior Pairs by combining strong overhead lifts and beautiful unison, which was shown throughout their entire program, including side by side jumps and spins. Second place went to Karen Courtland, Essex SC of New Jersey, and Joshua Roberts, University of Delaware SC, while Elaine Asanakas and Christopher Hefner, University of Delaware SC, placed third. Calla Urbanski, University of Delaware SC, and Michael Blicharski, Academy FSC, placed fourth to go to Nationals.

In Senior Dance, Ann Hensel, St. Moritz ISC, and James Yorke, SC of Boston, demonstrated grace under pressure and placed first in all events for the gold. Beth McLean, SC of Boston, and Ari Lieb, Babson SC, held for second. Laura Everngam, University of Delaware SC, and Jerry Santoferrara, Peninsula FSC, finished third.

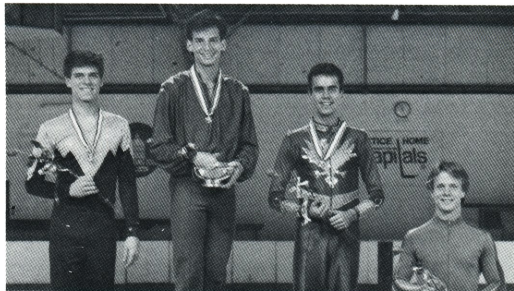
Caryn Yap, SC of New York, emerged as the Junior Ladies' champion over Nancy Kerrigan, SC of Boston, a strong free skater who finished second. Maryanne Morgan, Atlanta FSC, followed in third, and Dawn Duhamel, SC of Boston, pulled up to fourth.

Norman Smilowitz, South Mountain FSC, won the Junior Men's gold medal, winning both the short and long with high jumps and good composition and style. Colin VanderVeen, Atlanta FSC, finished second with a strong long program. Jon de Paz, SC of Boston, was third, and Mark Naylor, University of Delaware SC, fourth.

The athletic pair of Wendy Weston and David Goodman, Yarmouth IC, won Junior Pairs, with a solid first placement in both the short and long, followed by Michelle Laughlin and Mark Naylor, University of Delaware SC, in second and Sara Jeanne and Robert Powell, SC of Boston, in third. Ann-Marie and Brian Wells, University of Delaware SC, held in fourth.

John Millier, SC of Maine, showed good interpretive expression, as did his partner Amy Webster, SC of Boston, when winning





**SENIOR MEN**

Angelo D'Agostino, Gold; Mark Mitchell, Silver;  
Steven Rice, Bronze; Jon Robinson, Fourth



**SENIOR LADIES**

Lily Lee, Gold; Julie Wasserman, Silver;  
Elisa Scheuermann, Bronze;  
Danielle-Alyse Babaian, Fourth



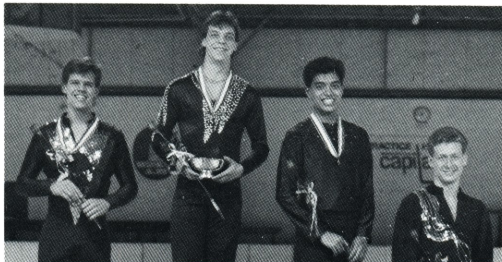
**SENIOR PAIRS**

Gillian Wachsmann & Todd Waggoner, Gold  
Karen Courtland & Joshua Roberts, Silver  
Elaine Asanakis & Christopher Hefner, Bronze  
Calla Urbanski & Michael Blicharski, Fourth



**SENIOR DANCE**

Ann Hensel & James Yorke, Gold  
Beth McLean & Ari Lieb, Silver  
Laura Everngam & Jerry Santoferrara, Bronze



**JUNIOR MEN**

Norman Smilowitz, Gold; Colin VanderVeen, Silver;  
Jon de Paz, Bronze; Mark Naylor, Fourth



**JUNIOR LADIES**

Caryn Yap, Gold; Nancy Kerrigan, Silver;  
Maryanne Morgan, Bronze; Dawn Duhamel, Fourth



**JUNIOR PAIRS**

Wendy Weston & David Goodman, Gold  
 Michelle Laughlin & Mark Naylor, Silver  
 Sara Jeanne Powell & Robert Powell, Bronze  
 Ann-Marie Wells & Brian Wells, Fourth



**JUNIOR DANCE**

Amy Webster & John Millier, Gold  
 Ellen Altschuler & Bruce Montemayor, Silver  
 Kineta King & Shawn Rettstat, Bronze  
 Christie Clark & Peter Breen, Fourth



**ADULT DANCE**

Harlene Lee & E. Richie VanVliet, Gold  
 Judy Reiner & Jim Maltby, Silver  
 Marion Hogan & Leonard J. Colarusso, Bronze  
 Rita Riess & Joseph Riess, Fourth



**NOVICE MEN**

Rick Alverson, Gold; Robert Morris, Silver;  
 Michael Chack, Bronze; Joseph Bracken II, Fourth



**NOVICE LADIES**

Geremi Weiss, Gold; Tarah Donelan, Silver;  
 Denise Williams, Bronze; Samantha Hawks, Fourth

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### NOVICE PAIRS

Aimee Offner & Brian Helgenberg, Gold  
 Hollis Perkins & Jason Perkins, Silver  
 Holly West & Troy West, Bronze  
 Stephanie Horn & Kyle Miller, Fourth



### NOVICE DANCE

Cheryl Demkowski & Kyle Schneble, Gold  
 Melanie Sheehan & Gerald Miele, Silver  
 DeAnna Lankford & Christopher Lankford, Bronze  
 Sara Walsh & Brad Walsh, Fourth

the Junior Dance event with an across the board sweep of first places in the compulsorys, Original Set Pattern, and the free dance. Ellen Altschuler, Philadelphia SC & HS, and Bruce Montemayor, University of Delaware SC, placed second and Kineta King, South Mountain FSC, and Shawn Rettstat, Dallas FSC, placed third. Christie Clark, Yale FSC, and Peter Breen, SC of Boston, finished fourth and also were headed for Nationals.

The Novice Dance compulsory event got off to a rocky start when Cheryl Demkowski, Salt City Figure Skaters, and Kyle Schneble, University of Delaware SC, fell during the first pattern of the American Waltz. Schneble was temporarily stunned due to a head injury from their fall, and was escorted off the ice with a cold-pack held on his head. The referee allowed Demkowski and Schneble to skate last. The brief recovery revived Schneble, and he and his partner won first place in spite of their accidental tumble. Melanie Sheehan, Warwick Figure Skaters, and Gerald Miele, Providence FSC, took second, and third place was claimed by DeAnna and Christopher Lankford, South Mountain FSC. Sarah Walsh, Warwick Figure Skaters, and Brad Walsh, SC of Lake Placid, finished in fourth place.

Aimee Offner and Brian Helgenberg, both representing the University of Delaware SC, won the Novice Pairs' event with ease. They

skated with excellent speed and unison, and showed remarkable maturity in presentation of their program for such a young pair team. Hollis Perkins, University of Delaware SC, and Jason Perkins, Charter Oak FSC, won the silver and Hollie and Troy West, Atlanta FSC, the bronze. Fourth-place finishers were Stephanie Horn and Kyle Miller, SC of Northern Virginia.

In Novice Ladies, Geremi Weiss, representing the Washington FSC, one of the host clubs for this event, delighted her local fans by winning the gold medal. She held a second-place rank after the compulsory figures, and then won the freestyle portion with a strong well-choreographed program. The silver medal was won by Tarah Donelan, Colonial FSC, who had won figures, and the bronze by Denise Williams, SC of New York. Samantha Hawks, SC of Lake Placid, took fourth-place honors.

Rick Alverson, Wissahickon FSC, won the Novice Men's event by a narrow margin over Robert Morris, Philadelphia SC & HS, and Michael Chack, SC of Rockland, New York. Joseph Bracken II, SC of Lake Placid, won figures but finished fourth overall.

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# MIDWESTERNS

by Skokie Valley SC Reporters

The '87 MIDS were sponsored by the Skokie Valley SC and held at the Wilmette (Illinois) Centennial Rink, a bright, cheerful, ample facility. Led by Chief Referee Will Smith (Tulsa, OK) and Chief Accountant Patricia Smith (Barrington, IL) the judges evaluated over 200 skaters, efficiently and timely. Music was expertly handled by Tony Todd (Indianapolis, IN).

Senior Ladies were led by Dawn Victorson, FSC of Bloomington, who pulled to first place from second after a dynamic long program, including strong double Axels, a triple Salchow, and firm combinations. Kelly Ann Szmurlo, Greater Milwaukee FSC, was a close second after having been first after figures and short program. After a ninth place in figures, Micki McMahon, Detroit SC, moved to third on her exciting, clean, crisp short and long programs, which she won handily. Carrie Weber, Broadmoor SC, placed a very close fourth.

Twelve Junior Ladies skated with a confidence and competence that brought an enthusiastic response from the audience. Captivating music, artistic programs supported with triple and double jumps, was the tone of this competition. Winterhurst FSC's Tonia Kwiatkowski's strong free won her first place. Elizabeth Wright, Colorado SC, added a delightful light-styled free to her first in figures to place second. Kathryn Curielli, FSC of Minneapolis, moved to third, and Jenni Meno, Winterhurst FSC, to fourth on high placement in their free.

Amy Holmberg, Rocky Mountain FSC, placed first in figures and second in freestyle to win Novice Ladies. Her double Lutz-double loop combination was graceful and sure. Alice Sue Claeys, Burnsville-Minnesota Valley FSC, was second as she entertained the audience with her style and ease. Claire Lundin, FSC of Rockford, landed an opening double Lutz-toe loop combination and a double Axel to take third. Kirstin Stoll, Rocky Mountain FSC, was third in figures and placed fourth overall.

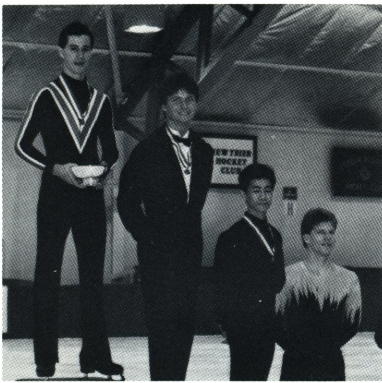
Intermediate Ladies' winner Mischa Farmer, Broadmoor SC, balanced a second in figures with a sixth in freestyle for the win. Jennifer Houchens, Rocky Mountain FSC, took second with her first in figures. Jennifer King, Houston FSC, placed third with a winning free program highlighted by lovely spins and double jumps. Tiffany Pichon, Winterhurst FSC, performed steadily in figures and free for a well deserved, closely placed fourth.

Senior Men was exciting with great talent throughout. James Cygan, Broadmoor SC, emerged champion with victories in all three phases of the competition. Cygan completed five flawless triples in an outstanding long program. Todd Reynolds, Houston FSC, second in all events, skated well but missed his triple Axel which he solidly landed in his short. Last year's Junior champion, David Liu, Winterhurst FSC, won the bronze with Tom Zakrajsek, Denver FSC, fourth.

The talent in the Junior Men's division, apparent during warm-ups, was marred by errors in actual competition. Aren Nielsen, Silver Blades FSC of Kansas City, placed first with a powerful and dynamic style. Figures winner, Shepherd Clark, Colorado SC, was second with well-presented free programs. Grant Noroyan, Detroit SC, had the best performance in the long and won the bronze. Last year's Novice champion, Skokie Valley SC's Tommy Jasper, won fourth and a trip to the Nationals.

The Novice Men's event was dominated by Damon Allen, FSC of Rockford. He easily won figures and his freestyle program, packed with double jumps and stylish spins was a unanimous first. Chris Browne, Troy SC, finished second, qualifying for Nationals his first year as a Novice. Excellent figures and double jumps earned Brian Schmidt, FSC of Bloomington, the third spot. Grant Rorvick, St. Paul FSC, only recently returned from a stress fracture placed fourth.

Intermediate Men, diamonds in the rough and our Olympians of tomorrow, performed nervously but determinedly in freestyle. Win-



**SENIOR MEN**

James Cygan, Gold; Todd Reynolds, Silver;  
David Liu, Bronze; Tom Zakrajsek, Fourth



**SENIOR LADIES**

Dawn Victorson, Gold; Kelly Ann Szmurlo, Silver;  
Micki McMahon, Bronze; Carrie Weber, Fourth



**SENIOR PAIRS**

Maradith Feinberg & Craig Maurizi, Gold  
Maria Lako & Joel McKeever, Silver  
Heidi Franks & Luke Hohmann, Bronze  
Sherry Kern & Michael Kern, Fourth



**SENIOR DANCE**

Renee Roca & Donald Adair, Gold  
April Sargent & Russ Witherby, Silver  
Jodie Balogh & Jerod Swallow, Bronze  
Dorothi Rodek & Robert Nardoza, Fourth



**JUNIOR MEN**

Aren Nielsen, Gold; Shepherd Clark, Silver;  
Grant Noroyan, Bronze; Tommy Jasper, Fourth



**JUNIOR LADIES**

Tonia Kwiatkowski, Gold; Elizabeth Wright, Silver;  
Kathryn Curielli, Bronze; Jenni Meno, Fourth





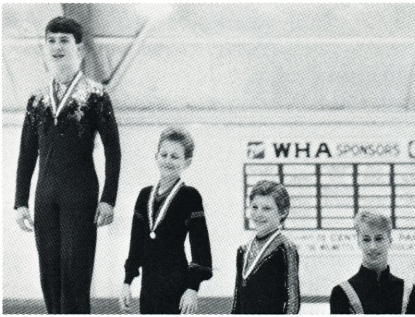
**JUNIOR PAIRS**

Julianne Thompson & Brian Geddeis, Gold  
Jennifer Heurlin & John Frederiksen, Silver  
Paula Visingardi & Jeff Myers, Bronze  
Jennifer Bayer & Jeb Rand, Fourth



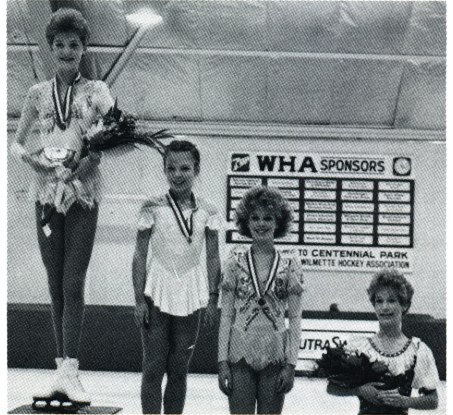
**JUNIOR DANCE**

Jennifer Benz & Jeffrey Benz, Gold  
Ann-Morton Neale & Dee J. Pascoe, Silver  
Holly Robbins & Jonathan Stine, Bronze  
Jeannine Jones & Michael Shroge, Fourth



**NOVICE MEN**

Damon Allen, Gold; Chris Browne, Silver;  
Brian Schmidt, Bronze; Grant Rorvick, Fourth



**NOVICE LADIES**

Amy Holmberg, Gold; Alice Sue Clays, Silver;  
Claire Lundin, Bronze; Kirstin Stoll, Fourth



**NOVICE PAIRS**

Shelby Hester & David Walker, Gold  
Marcy Reis & Mel Chapman, Silver  
Cory Jo Richert & Chad Richert, Bronze  
Nicole Dumonceaux & John Repucci, Fourth



**NOVICE DANCE**

Katie Williamson & Ben Williamson, Gold  
Andrea Constanzo & Mark Skiles, Silver  
Stephanie Giannetti & Robert Peal, Bronze  
Patti Torkelson & Troy Knowlton, Fourth





#### ADULT DANCE

Sandra Burkons & Alan Narvy, Gold  
 Ellen Clark & Harlan Brunnermer, Silver  
 Sandra Sue Smith & Fritz Schreyer, Bronze

ner of the free and the gold was Thomas Incantalupe, FSC of Rockford. Michael Gricus, Jr., DuPage FSC, placed second with Brian Scherle, Plymouth FSC, third, and David Kastan, Troy SC, fourth.

Senior Pairs was won by Maradith Feinberg and Craig Maurizi, Broadmoor SC, with a first in short and long programs. Their unique "diamond" lift—a variation on a back platter—was executed with style and speed as was the rest of their long program. Maria Lako, University of Delaware SC, and Joel McKeever, Colorado SC, were second with a nicely polished free and an "apple pie" charm. Third-place Heidi Franks, Winterhurst FSC, and Luke Hohmann, Detroit SC, skating together less than three months, began their free with spark and a good throw double Axel but appeared "off," possibly due to a hard fall in warm-up.

Junior Pair winners Julianne Thompson, Broadmoor SC, and Brian Geddeis, FSC of Rockford, claimed first after the short and skated powerfully in their free to win convincingly. Jennifer Heurlin and John Frederiksen, Broadmoor SC, placed second in the free and second overall. Paula Visingardi and Jeff Myers, Detroit SC, placed second in the short and third overall. Jennifer Bayer, Detroit SC, and Jeb Rand, Atlanta FSC, finished fourth.

Novice Pair gold went to Shelby Hester and David Walker, FSC of Memphis, just nosing out Marcy Reis, Winterhurst FSC, and Mel Chapman, Wyandotte FSC. Cory Jo Richert and Chad Richert, Centennial FSC,

finished third with Nicole Dumonceaux and John Repucci, Burnsville-Minnesota Valley FSC, fourth.

Just having the National Dance champions, Renee Roca and Donald Adair, would have seemed to be enough, but all six couples in Senior Dance were exciting and impressive. Renee Roca, Genesee FSC, and Donald Adair, Academy FSC, technically superb, with deep edges, extension, and unison were first in all events for the gold. Second throughout were April Sargent, University of Delaware SC, and Russ Witherby, Queen City FSC, a particularly expressive new team. Jodie Balogh, Academy FSC, and Jerod Swallow, Detroit SC, claimed third from fourth-place finishers, Dorothi Rodek and Robert Nardoza, Dallas FSC.

Junior Dance team Jennifer and Jeffrey Benz, Detroit SC, placed first in all events and skated a difficult, memorable waltz OSP with great unison. Ann-Morton Neale, Ice & Blades Club of Washington, and Dee J. Pascoe, Academy FSC, winners of the silver medal are a mature team with a pleasing, elegant long line on the ice. Moving from fifth to third were Holly Robbins and Jonathan Stine, Broadmoor SC, a fun couple to watch with notable audience rapport. Jeannine Jones and Michael Shroge, Winterhurst FSC, placed fourth.

Novice dancers skated thru a challenging spectrum of dances before their final Blues OSP. Winners Katie and Ben Williamson, Academy FSC, proved superior in all events. In second place, also from Academy FSC, were Andrea Constanzo and Mark Skiles. Third was claimed by pert Stephanie Giannetti, Wagon Wheel FSC, and Robert Peel, Skokie Valley SC. Patti Torkelson and Troy Knowlton, Border Blades FSC, finished fourth.

Intermediate Dance was impressively won by petite Jennifer Heurlin and partner John Frederiksen, Broadmoor SC. Kate Boardman, Palace FSC, and Steve Allen, Lone Star FSC, held to second while Tiffany Hencke and Chris Johnson, Winterhurst FSC, placed third. Fourth place was claimed by Kelly Horval and Ryan Lini, Greenbrier FSC.

Adult dancers Sandra Burkons and Alan Narvy, Cleveland SC, were winners with a difficult Tango variation, over second-place Ellen Clark and Harlan Brunnermer, WC of Indianapolis. Sandra Sue Smith and Fritz



Schreyer, Denver FSC, moved to third over Connie and James Harpole, FSC of Omaha, in fourth.

*Becky Buening, Jenifer Ostrom, and John Weinstein.*

*Skokie Valley SC Junior Members providing material for this report are: Jennifer Arnston,*

*The results for the Midwestern Championships were published in the February 1987 issue, page 47.*

## First NutraSweet "Giving it 100%" Awards Presented at Midwesterns

The 1987 Midwestern Championships had the honor of being the first to present The NutraSweet "Giving It 100%" Awards to skaters who were chosen on the basis of recommendations from a committee of officials at the competition, including the Event Chairman, the Chief Referee, and a Technical Representative. All participants in the 1987 Midwestern Championships were candidates for the awards.

The NutraSweet Company established these awards "to foster an appreciation of the discipline, dedication, and determination embodied by athletes who pursue excellence in athletic performance and in their personal lives." The "Giving It 100%" Awards are indeed a fitting complement to the financial support provided by The NutraSweet Company in its official sponsorship of the National Championships.

The awards were presented to the winners in a special ceremony at the conclusion of the competition by Sarah Baldwin, Special Promotions Director for The NutraSweet Company, who was assisted by Lou Sherman, general chairman of the event. Junior Dance competitors Holly Robbins and Jonathan Stine from the Broadmoor SC, Novice Lady Seven Lueder-Powers from the Burnsville-Minnesota Valley FSC, and Senior Lady Micki McMahon representing the Detroit SC were the first recipients of The NutraSweet "Giving It 100%" Awards.

We would like to add our congratulations to these competitors in recognition of this very personal achievement.

*Shown with Sarah Baldwin, Special Promotions Director for The NutraSweet Company, and Lou Sherman, general chairman of the event are: (top photo) Jonathan Stine and Holly Robbins, (middle photo) Seven Lueder-Powers, and (bottom photo) Micki McMahon.*



# PACIFIC COASTS

by Mike Waldner

The sun was not the only thing shining during the 1987 Pacific Coast Championships held at the Ice Palace in Phoenix, Arizona, December 9 to 14, hosted by the Arizona Figure Skating Club and The Skating Club of Phoenix. The competitors warmed the hearts of all spectators with their exciting, enthusiastic, and shining performances, and the great weather ceased to be the topic of conversation.

The Senior Men's competition alone was worth the price of an All-Events pass. The crowd was brought to its feet in a standing ovation at the end of the long program competition as the Senior Men had dazzled and excited the crowds with their talents, athletic abilities, and electrifying personalities.

Christopher Bowman, Los Angeles FSC, 1986 U.S. Olympic Festival champion, was clearly the winner with first place in figures, short program, and long program. Bowman landed five triples and a variety of doubles during the long program. His short program truly displayed his solid technical ability. Both programs led to standing ovations by the audience. Scott Kurttila, Seattle SC, placed second with solid triples in the short and long programs and a triple Salchow, double toe combination, which not only brought a smile to Scott's face, but also to the crowd. Erik Larson, San Diego FSC, placed third followed by Troy Goldstein, Los Angeles FSC, fourth.

Senior Ladies saw E. Rory Flack, San Diego FSC, move from fifth place after figures to capture the gold medal by placing first in both the short and long programs. Yvonne Gomez, St. Moritz ISC, won the silver medal after a closely contested battle with Kathryn Adams, St. Moritz ISC, who took the bronze. Joan Colignon, Arctic Blades FSC, placed fourth.

Craig Heath, St. Moritz ISC, battled his way to the gold medal in the Junior Men's division with strong performances in all events. The silver medal went to Patrick

Brault, Los Angeles FSC, who started the competition in sixth place after figures, but rapidly moved upward with first-place finishes in both the short and long programs. Alex Chang, Arctic Blades FSC, won the bronze, and Christopher Mitchell, Los Angeles FSC, held on for a fourth-place finish.

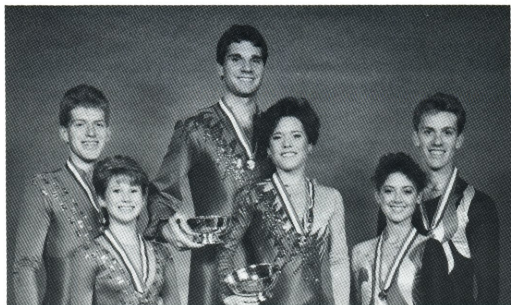
Junior Ladies displayed a strong field of talented and athletic competitors that kept the audience on the edge of their seats. Jeri Campbell, All Year FSC, began her efforts with a fourth-place standing in figures. In the remaining events, Campbell's high clean flowing jumps skyrocketed her to the gold medal. The silver medal was won by Dena Galech, Seattle SC, placing second in all the events. The bronze medal went to Karen Terry, All Year FSC, and Kate Hollister, St. Moritz ISC, placed fourth.

At the Novice Men's level, a close race between the top three competitors developed immediately in the figure competition and continued in the free skating events. John Baldwin, Jr., Los Angeles FSC, held on after scoring a first in figures to capture the gold. Andre McGaughey, Seattle SC, moved to second place after the free skating for the silver medal and the hometown favorite, Vearle Klinger, SC of Phoenix, took the bronze. Steven Smith, Peninsula FSC, was fourth.

The Novice Ladies put on a show of grace and power that will be long remembered. Berkley Villard, Lilac City FSC, won the gold with consistent performances in both figures and free skating. Shannon Caudill, All Year FSC, placed first in figures and then hung on in the free skating event, taking the silver. Kelly Moller, Overlake SC, captured the bronze, with Tamara Kuchiki, Los Angeles FSC, coming in fourth.

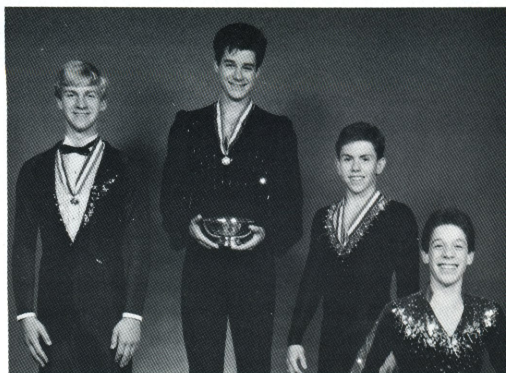
Clay Sniteman, Utah FSC, needed his first-place finish in the free skating to win the gold medal in Intermediate Men's. Hometown, David Coleman, Arizona FSC, put in a strong performance in figures and free skating to capture the silver medal. Casper





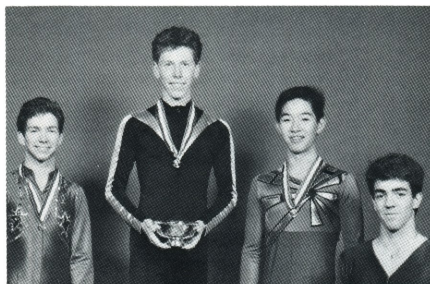
**SENIOR PAIRS**

Katy Keeley & Joseph Mero, Gold  
Lori Blasko & Todd Sand, Silver  
Sharon Carz & Doug Williams, Bronze



**SENIOR MEN**

Christopher Bowman, Gold; Scott Kurttila, Silver;  
Erik Larson, Bronze; Troy Goldstein, Fourth



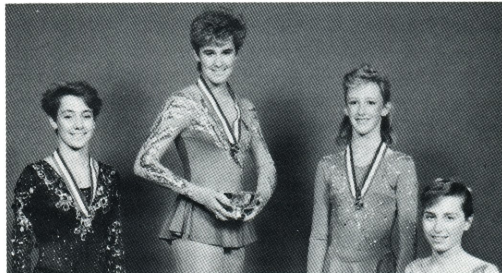
**JUNIOR MEN**

Craig Heath, Gold; Patrick Brault, Silver;  
Alex Chang, Bronze; Christopher Mitchell, Fourth



**SENIOR LADIES**

E. Rory Flack, Gold; Yvonne Gomez, Silver;  
Kathryn Adams, Bronze; Joan Colignon, Fourth



**JUNIOR LADIES**

Jeri Campbell, Gold; Dena Galech, Silver;  
Karen Terry, Bronze; Kate Hollister, Fourth



**SENIOR DANCE**

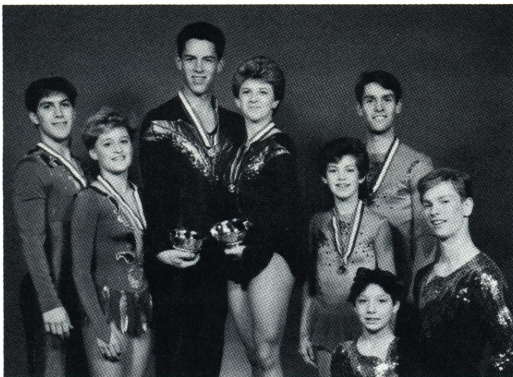
Susan Wynne & Joseph Druar, Gold  
Karen Knieriem & Leif Erickson, Silver  
Jill Heiser & Michael Verlich, Bronze  
Colette Huber & Ron Kravette, Fourth



**ADULT DANCE**

Ethel Field & Ryoichi Kobayashi, Gold  
Brigit Luciani & Robert Engle, Silver  
Dorothy Drabek Bowers & James Ambrose, Bronze





**JUNIOR PAIRS**

Kellie Lynn Creel & David McGovern, Gold  
 Lara Dunlap & John Denton, Silver  
 Christina Kopp & Rick Scarry, Bronze  
 Natasha Kuchiki & Richard Alexander, Fourth



**NOVICE MEN**

John Baldwin, Jr., Gold; Andre McGaughey, Silver;  
 Vearle Klingler, Bronze; Steven Smith, Fourth



**NOVICE LADIES**

Berkley Villard, Gold; Shannon Caudill, Silver;  
 Kelly Moller, Bronze; Tamara Kuchiki, Fourth



**JUNIOR DANCE**

Tiffany Veltre & Duane Greenleaf, Gold  
 Heidi Hahn & William F. Aquilino, Jr., Silver  
 Kara Berger & Jay Barton, Bronze  
 Kristina Nelson & Stephen Laumann, Fourth



**NOVICE PAIRS**

Dawn Piepenbrink & Tim Dever, Gold  
 Roseann Crowe & Rudy Nevarez, Silver  
 Tonya Zuehlke & Jeffrey Black, Bronze  
 Cristina Palmieri & Casper Young, Fourth



**NOVICE DANCE**

Francine Clark & Richard Dupaix, Gold  
 Tiffany Gross & Robert Davis, Silver  
 Caroline Menard & Karim Aityata, Bronze  
 Jennifer Nieman & Dewayne Browning, Fourth



Young, Los Angeles FSC, earned the bronze, while another hometown favorite, Jonathan Magalnick, Arizona FSC, placed fourth.

In the Intermediate Ladies' division, Jennifer Davidson, Conejo Valley FSC, captured the gold with the help of her first-place finish in figures. The silver was won by Dawn Marie Finley, Overlake SC; the bronze medal went to Natasha Kuchiki, Los Angeles FSC; and Heather Barnes, St. Moritz ISC, came in fourth.

Senior Dance was a joy to watch. Leading a very talented group of competitors was the stylish team of Susan Wynne, Philadelphia SC & HS, and Joseph Druar, Seattle SC, who captured the gold medal receiving first-place finishes in every event. Karen Knieriem, Broadmoor SC, and Leif Erickson, Los Angeles FSC, were the silver medalists. Jill Heiser, San Diego FSC, and Michael Verlich, Los Angeles FSC, took the bronze and Colette Huber and Ron Kravette, Los Angeles FSC, finished fourth.

Junior Dance definitely showed promise of great things to come from all of the top four teams. Tiffany Veltre, Arctic Blades FSC, and Duane Greenleaf, Los Angeles FSC, emerged on top to win the gold. Heidi Hahn, Peninsula FSC, and William F. Aquilino, Jr., University of Delaware SC, captured the silver. The bronze was won by Kara Berger, La Jolla FSC, and Jay Barton, South Bay FSC. Kristina Nelson, San Diego FSC, and Stephen Laumann, Los Angeles FSC, placed fourth.

Novice Dance standings saw Francine Clark and Richard Dupaix, Utah FSC, win the gold. Tiffany Gross and Robert Davis, La Jolla FSC, secured the silver. Once again the local spectators were thrilled when the team of Caroline Menard and Karim Aityata, SC of Phoenix, were awarded the bronze medal. Fourth place went to Jennifer Nieman and Dewayne Browning, St. Moritz ISC.

The gold medal in Adult Dance was taken home by Ethel Field and Ryoichi Kobayashi, South Bay FSC. The silver medal was won

by Brigit Luciani, San Diego FSC, and Robert Engle, La Jolla FSC. Dorothy Drabek Bowers, Utah FSC, and James Ambrose, Cottonwood Heights FSC, captured the bronze with Nancy Levin, Santa Rosa FSC, and Bob Musselwhite, St. Moritz ISC, finishing fourth.

In the Senior Pairs, Katy Keeley and Joseph Mero, San Diego FSC, performed a near-flawless performance, intricately choreographed with a high degree of difficulty and creativity to win the gold. Lori Blasko, Conejo Valley FSC, and Todd Sand, Los Angeles FSC, struggled from their fourth-place finish in the short program to capture the silver medal with a strong performance in free skating. The bronze medal went to Sharon Carz and Doug Williams, All Year FSC, with Ashley Stevenson and Scott Wendland, also from the All Year FSC, placing fourth.

Junior Pairs was won by the team of Kellie Lynn Creel, Los Angeles FSC, and David McGovern, Arctic Blades FSC, who earned the gold with strong, consistent performances. Lara Dunlap, Houston FSC, and John Denton, Arctic Blades FSC, easily secured the silver medal. Christina Kopp and Rick Scarry, All Year FSC, moved into the bronze position over the fourth-place team of Natasha Kuchiki and Richard Alexander, Los Angeles FSC.

In the Novice Pairs' competition, the predominantly Arizona crowd was delighted when the local team of Dawn Piepenbrink, All Year FSC, and Tim Dever, Arizona FSC, grabbed the gold. The silver went to Roseann Crowe and Rudy Nevarez, San Fernando Valley FSC, closely followed by Tonya Zuehlke and Jeffrey Black, Silver Skate FSC, who earned the bronze. Fourth place was awarded to the team of Cristina Palmieri and Casper Young, Los Angeles FSC.

*The results for the Pacific Coast Championships were published in the February 1987 issue, page 51.*

# JAYNE TORVILL AND CHRISTOPHER DEAN

# THE WORLD TOUR

by Gary Beacom



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Well over a million spectators have now filled arenas for the world tour of Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean, and many have expressed an interest beyond the performances—and reviews. I was fortunate enough to have been invited to Sydney, Australia, in January of 1985, as one of the nine original company members, and to have spent two rewarding years as principal soloist on the world tour.

The Torvill and Dean World Tour was a unique creature. Never before has a skating show combined such a talented cast, such a worldwide itinerary, and such consistent box office success. The tremendous economic potential that Jayne and Chris generated for themselves by their historic win in the Sarajevo Olympics was a powerful life force, but the same kind of *savoir-faire* that led them to acclaim as amateurs was indispensable to propel this delicate professional venture.

Indeed, aspects that were great assets in the project also had to be guarded against as potential hazards to its health.

A company of such talented and expe-

rienced international skaters allowed great choreographic freedom. It was also a personal inspiration to find ourselves among peers, each of whose philosophies became quite apparent and confidently manifested. What goes hand in hand with this concentration of skill, though, are prominent egos, and it was certainly no simple task to accommodate all our needs and self-fulfillment in a showcase for Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean where, let's face it, our names were not even required in the advertising. A lot of thought did go into assuring that everyone had a special role, both on and off the ice, and that group spirit was alive.

Many of us had five, six, or seven strenuous numbers to rehearse and perform in, including some quick costume changes, so there was not a whole lot of thumb-twiddling going on. Fatigue did eventuate, though, especially during our three-month English season with eight shows a week and up to six hours on the ice during performance days choreographing a new work to *An American in Paris*, which incidentally never was

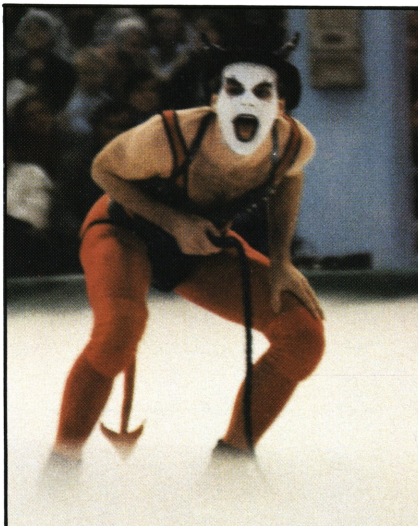


performed. It was in the course of such stretches that injuries cropped up, nerves became frazzled, and the focus tended to shift to the future. Unfortunately, venue availability and economics sometimes took precedence over our physical limitations.

The travel schedule, including rehearsal periods in Sydney, surfers' paradise on Australia's Gold Coast, and Oberstdorf, Germany, and performances throughout most of the English speaking countries was also an undeniable plus. Flying, except when distances would involve less than a four-hour bus ride, and having our own rooms in truly fine hotels helped to minimize strain.

Though days off were sometimes few and far between, it wasn't often that we could complain about seeing only airports, hotels, and ice rinks. We couldn't physically afford to overdo the extra-curricular activities, but we all had some fabulous outings, occasionally en masse, but more often than not in small groups. I won't soon forget white water rafting in Tasmania, skiing at Whistler in British Columbia, sailboarding on the Sunshine Coast north of Brisbane, spending the night on a cliff in the Bavarian Alps, jet skiing in Auckland, New Zealand, all the theatre and live shows in London and elsewhere, meeting high profile individuals, such as Princess Diana,

*Opposite Page: Torvill and Dean in the hypnotizing "Bolero." Right: Bill Fauver, Gary Beacom, Christopher Dean, and Barry Hagan in "Song of India" performed in a wool storage shed in Australia for seven thousand people. Below: the author as the Devil in "Hell" and in Cory Hart's "Sunglasses at Night."*



Princess Margaret, and Nancy Reagan, and oodles of other experiences.

All of this excitement and luxury might have been distracting to good work habits, but traveling was not new to any of us, even if having money in our pockets was. Though Chris, in particular, enjoyed social occasions more than anyone, he and Jayne understood the value of discipline. With the help of our dance master, Australian Andris Toppe, they exercised strong leadership.

The huge public interest in the show and in Jayne and Chris as people was a key to its success, yet it nonetheless placed a lot of pressure, not as directly on the rest of us, but on the stars themselves. Audiences are demanding. The more they are given, the more they expect, and that is to say nothing of the press who are always there and are always very curious. Jayne and Chris handled the fame and attention very professionally. Indeed, they had reason to be proud of their achievement, and they were doing what they liked to do. They showed remarkable stamina in meeting exacting demands.

Amidst a life of hotel suites, private jets, limousines, and showers of gifts and flowers, they maintained the concentration to perpetuate their art. *Bolero* was obviously their most momentous accomplishment. The humorous *Tango* and the subtle *Encounter* carried on that high standard. It is an open question whether later works such as *Venus*, *Shepherd's Song*, and the *Fire and Ice* television special (filmed in Stuttgart, Germany in July and yet to be broadcast in North America) demonstrated the same degree of high excellence.

Criticism of Jayne and Chris's performances or of any of the members in the show, for that matter, could hardly be unfavorable with respect to unison, flow, polish, or any other aspect of the actual technical execution of moves, for

if anything, we were overpracticed to the point of boredom. Rehearsal or choreography periods typically included a one-hour ballet class, and six or seven hours on the ice six days a week, while an average performance day might include two hours on the ice after a ballet class and then always a half-hour warm-up before the show. If the travel or performance schedule was overly hectic, we would do only one class and a warm-up. Ballet class became like a ritual, without which a day wasn't complete. Flexibility, general body awareness, and company unity are certain benefits, but I always felt the energy could be more efficiently expended on the ice, since most ballet positions are either two-footed or unattainable in skates, not that the numbers could be classified as skating, in the purest sense anyway.

The choreographer of all the production pieces was Graeme Murphy, artistic director of the (modern) Sydney Dance Company, who, despite his lack of skating experience, designed works with clever group interactions and high entertainment value.

The entire project was rather abruptly abandoned at the end of November after Chris sustained a severe fracture in his right wrist. We were in Portland, Maine, about a third of the way through our second and more extensive tour of the United States. The management consoled us all with a word of plans to build anew in six months. In the meantime, all we can do is patiently await the reincarnation of Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean: The World Tour.

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## FRENCH NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS EPINAL, FRANCE DECEMBER 20-21, 1987

by Jean-Christophe Berlot

French skaters have been hoping for years to see a renewal of their previous successes. National champions have succeeded one another with promise and talent, with none of them, however, totally fulfilling the hopes of their public at the international level. The question in the Vosgian city of Epinal was whether the 1987 French Championships would show the start of a long awaited new era. This question will only be answered in the years to come. Yet new names arose in the national hierarchy, making sure that at least hope can still be found in the French team for the near future.

The men's competition was won by Philippe Roncoli. For two years Roncoli had been a close second, and this time he was a true favorite. Coached by former World champion, Alain Giletti, and now by former European vice-champion, Jean-Christophe Simond, Roncoli showed strong progress in the figures, where he placed third. Fernand Fedronic, who has been a European champion in figures, unsurprisingly took the lead in this section. Frederick Harpages, from Paris, came a close second.

Both the short and the free were won by Roncoli though not quite as impressive in the free as many hoped he would be. His high technical level and mastery still secured his first place. Harpages and Fedronic fought sharply for the silver medal, the former edging the latter in the free.

Still apart from the podium, due to poor figures, young Eric Millot confirmed his 1986 performances by finishing second in both the short and the free programs. Quite artistic on the ice, and mastering all triple jumps, Millot displayed promising talent.

Agnes Gosselin won her fifth national ladies' championship in a row at Epinal. Fifteen years old Florence Albert made a sensational senior debut by edging her in figures. Gosselin won both the short and the free, showing mastery of her favorite triple Lutz. Florence Copp showed strong progress throughout the competition, but her second place in both the short and free was not enough to compensate for weak figures. Albert finished third in the free, edging Copp in the final standings.

A new pair ended the four-year reign of Didier Manaud and Sylvie Vaquero. In the free program, Charline Mauger and Benoit Vandenberghe successfully completed triple Salchows and double Axels, and won their first national title.

Two weeks earlier, in Dijon, Paul and Isabelle Duchesnay won their second ice dancing national championship. Their new choreography and their mastery of style, which has already allowed them to win this year's Skate America, delighted the audience, which gave them a well deserved ovation. For the ready-to-support French audience, it is no surprise, and no doubt, that hope for the international championships to come, starts with the Duchesnays!

### RESULTS

MEN	PLACES
1. Phillip Roncoli	3.2
2. Frederic Harpages	5.8
3. Fernand Fedronic	5.8
4. Eric Millot	6.4
5. Axel Mederic	10.4
6. Frederic Lipka	10.4

LADIES	PLACES
1. Agnes Gosselin	2.6
2. Florence Albert	4.8

3. Florence Copp
4. Karina Virlat
5. Pascale Marti
6. Sophie Paradis
7. Sophie Dupont

- 5.2
- 9.4
- 10.6
- 11.2
- 13.8

**PAIRS**

1. Charline Mauger & Benoit Vandenberghe
2. Sylvie Vaquero & Didier Manaud
3. Christine Pliesson & Gilles Chauvet
4. Valerie Binsse & Christophe Mbonyinshuti

**PLACES**

- 1.8
- 2.4
- 4.6
- 5.2

## 1987 WEST GERMAN CHAMPIONSHIPS WEST BERLIN, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY JANUARY 8-10, 1987

by *Dennis Bird*

The West German championships were held, January 8 thru 10, in West Berlin, at the Ice Stadium in the suburb of Wedding. All the title-holders defended, but not all were successful. In the men's, Heiko Fischer sought to win his fifth title, but he injured himself on the very first compulsory figure and had to withdraw. This cleared the way for the German-American Richard Zander, born in Oregon but for the last seven years living in his parents' home country of the Federal Republic of Germany. Eleventh in the 1986 World championships and third in this season's St. Ivel International, the twenty-two-year-old Zander was first in all three sections of the West German Nationals, and could soon be in Europe's top half-dozen.

Runner-up was Thomas Wieser of Munich, who was fourth in the recent Budapest International won by Brian Orser. At Wedding, Wieser tied on points with Oliver Dechert (Stuttgart), but took second place because of his better free skating.

Claudia Leistner won her third successive German title. This attractive twenty-one-year-old from Mannheim is already a youthful veteran of top-class competition. In 1983 she was second in World's to Rosalynn Summers. She, too, won all three categories, with her club-mate Susanne Becher second.

Kerstin Kimminus and Stefan Pfrenkle lost the pairs title they took in 1986. They were beaten by the 1985 champion Daniel Caprano with his new partner Sonja Adalbert. Antonia and Ferdinand Becherer fared better, and retained the ice dance crown.

### RESULTS

MEN	PLACES
1. Richard Zander	2.0
2. Thomas Wieser	5.6
3. Oliver Dechert	5.6
4. Daniel Weiss	7.2
5. Ivo Svec	12.6
6. Peter Fuchs	14.4

LADIES	PLACES
1. Claudia Leistner	2.0
2. Susanne Becher	5.2
3. Cornelia Renner	7.4
4. Carola Wolff	9.8
5. Patricia Neske	10.0
6. Heike Gobbers	12.8

PAIRS	PLACES
1. Sonja Adalbert & Daniel Caprano	1.4
2. Kerstin Kimminus & Stefan Pfrenkle	2.8
3. Nicole Neujahr & Druner	4.6
4. Brigitte Groh & Holger Maletz	5.2

DANCE	PLACES
1. Antonia Becherer & Ferdinand Becherer	2.0
2. Andrea Weppelmann & Hendryk Schamberger	4.4
3. Antonia Gavazzeni & Sven Authorsen	5.6
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### Eastern Great Lakes *Continued from page 31*

spiral were solid and well done. The silver medal team of Jennifer Bayer, Detroit SC, and Jeb Rand, Atlanta FSC, opened an exciting program with a super split twist lift.

Once again the dance events reaffirmed that grace and athletic ability can combine in a single event. The Intermediate Dance was won by Tiffany Hencke and Chris Johnson,



Winterhurst FSC. Second place went to Kellie Horval and Ryan Lini, Greenbrier FSC.

The sister and brother team of Katie and Ben Williamson, Academy FSC, won Novice Dance. Their strong initial round and final round interpretation of the Blues to "Frankie and Johnny" was well received and well skated. Andrea Constanzo and Mark Skiles, Academy FSC, won the silver medal.

Junior Dance brought out six strong couples. The team of Jennifer and Jeffrey Benz, Detroit SC, placed first over all despite a fall in their free dance. Silver medalists, Ann-Morton Neale, Ice and Blades Club of Washington, and Dee J. Pascoe, Academy FSC, led after the compulsory dances and presented a lively free dance. Jennifer Goolsbee, Detroit SC, and Peter Chupa, Academy FSC, skated a solid competition to capture the bronze medal. Jeannine Jones and Michael Shroge, Winterhurst FSC, were fourth.

Senior Dance was easily won by Jodie Balogh, Academy FSC, and Jerod Swallow, Detroit SC. Their Latin flavored free dance was well choreographed and interpreted. Last year's National Junior Dance bronze medalists, Kimberly Barget, Detroit SC, and James Schilling, Grosse Pointe SC, showed everyone they made the transition to Senior Dance with ease. Their stylistic free dance was graceful and flowing and won them the silver medal.

The Adult Dance event proved you do not have to be young to skate—and skate well! Gold medalists, Ellen Clark and Harlan Brunnemer, WC of Indianapolis, silver medalists, Sandy Burkno and Alan Narvy, Cleveland SC, and bronze medalists, Trudy Backus, FSC of Cincinnati, and John Dool, Oxford SC, displayed this without a doubt.

Congratulations to all those who worked on the 1987 Eastern Great Lakes regional competition, which was well run and well planned. Good luck to all the EGLR representatives in Skokie Valley at the Midwest sectional.

*The results for the Eastern Great Lakes Championships were published in the February 1987 issue, page 35.*

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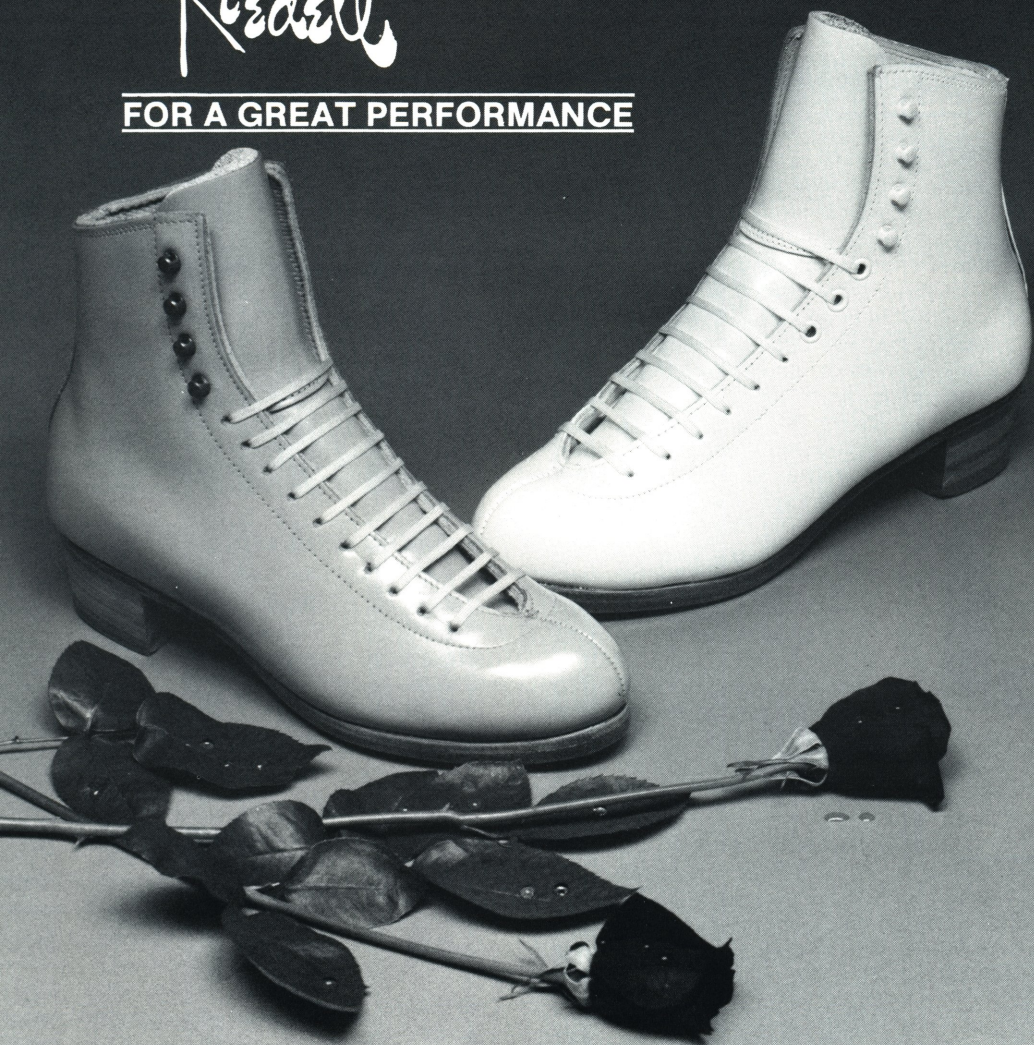
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Ellen Clark & Harlan Brunnermer, Gold  
 Sandy Burkos & Alan Narvy, Silver



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## SOUTHWESTERNS

Hazel Weal & Robert Bosworth, Gold  
 Sandy Smith & Fritz Schreyer (not shown), Silver

## Hall of Fame

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a record then), quite decisively, despite an injury to Doreen's hand suffered prior to the free dancing.

Just two weeks later, Courtney and Doreen's hopes for another World title came to an abrupt end with the loss of the American World Team in an air accident at Brussels, Belgium, and the subsequent cancellation by the ISU of the 1961 World Championships in Prague.

When Courtney's record of four World, five European, and five British dance titles with two different partners is considered, it is both outstanding and unique, but it really is his total dominance of his discipline over a period of years that is remarkable. The competitions were never really close. Courtney and his partners were always well ahead of the opposition, which was at the same time improving rapidly during a period when ice dancing was achieving maturity as a sport. Much of that growth can be attributed to the lead of the British couples, and especially by their champions during that time.

Already well into his career as a fashion designer by the time of his retirement from competition, Courtney has continued in that profession with significant success, culminating in recent years in his designs of costumes for Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean, his worthy successors as World, European, and British Champions.

Not so well known perhaps in the skating world has been Courtney's involvement and achievements in ballroom dancing, the influence of which could be seen in his free dance programs as well as in his subsequent work as a costume designer. Reflecting that training, if any one word could be used to describe his skating it was "elegance," coupled with faultless timing and accuracy.

Courtney has chosen to remain an amateur and has continued to pursue an active career as a judge and referee of ice dancing, earning his first appointment as an International Judge in 1962 and as a Referee in 1967. He has served as a judge at several Worlds and at the Olympic Winter Games.

Yet another contribution of special note is that he and Peri Horne invented and presented two new compulsory dances, the "Silver Samba" and "Starlight Waltz," which were accepted by the International Skating Union in 1964 for inclusion in the standard schedule of International Dances. While the "Samba" did not remain permanently in the schedule (as many think it should have), the "Starlight Waltz" has and is recognized today as an important dance for World-level competition.

Courtney has served faithfully the National Skating Association of Great Britain for many years, becoming Chairman of the Ice Dance Committee in 1976, Chairman of the Council in 1977, and President in 1985.

Courtney Jones was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1986.

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- 21-22 **Dance Weekend**, hosted by the Princeton SC, Princeton, NJ. Events include dance sessions, clinic, and a dinner dance. For information contact: Mrs. Helen Marton, 43 Dorann Ave., Princeton, NJ 08540.
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- 22 **All Year FSC Open Dance Competition**, sponsored by the All Year FSC, at the Culver Ice Arena, 4545 Sepulveda Blvd., Culver City, CA 90230. For information contact: Deanna Stanton, 2630 11th St., #1, Santa Monica, CA 90405, 213-452-1806.
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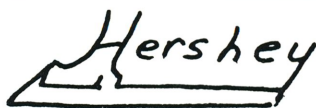
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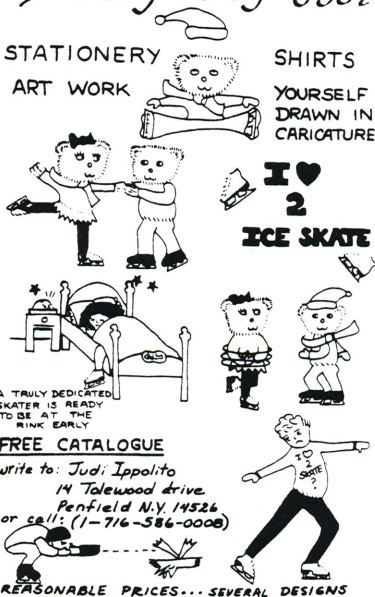
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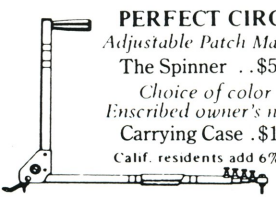
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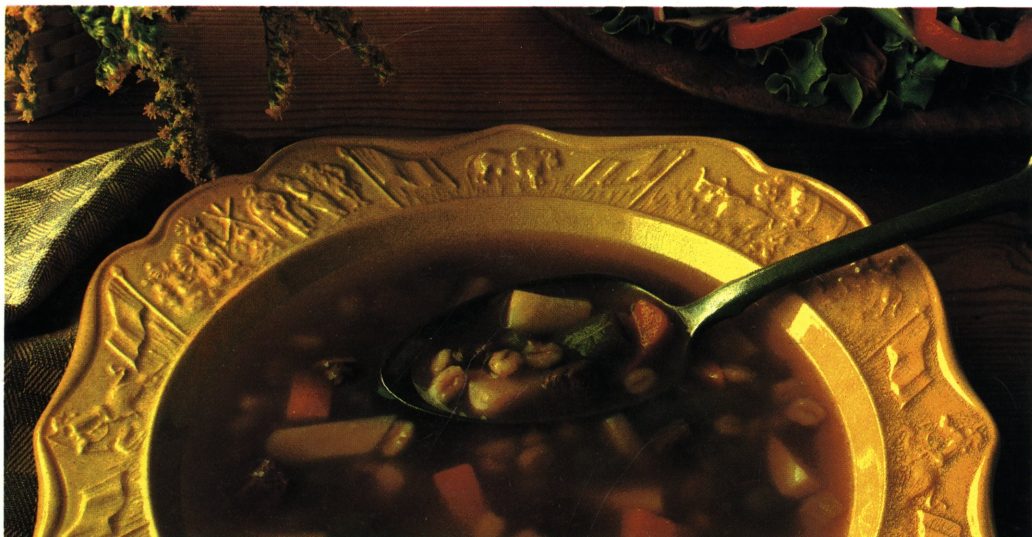
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