

BLADELINES

November 2023

WELCOME TEAM NEWBERRY

A warm welcome to new coaches Christian and Graham Newberry who will be joining the Pelham Civic Center professional coaching staff this month! [[Coaches - Birmingham Figure Skating Club \(bhamsk8s.org\)](#)]. The father and son duo arrived in Birmingham from the UK and are settling in. You will start seeing them around the facility very soon.

Christian has 45 years of top-level skating and coaching experience; he is the 1989 British Men's Champion and a former World and European Championship Competitor. He's also a four-time World Championship and European Championship coach and a former US National Technical Specialist. Not to be outdone by his dad, Graham holds eight British Championship titles and is a current member of Team Great Britain.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Graham_Newberry

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christian_Newberry

CONGRATULATIONS SKATERS & COACHES

2023 Late Season Competitions

GOOD LUCK to *Brooke Bachman* who will be representing BFSC and the UAB Collegiate Figure Skating Team Nov. 3 -5 at the Bronco Challenge Cup, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI. It's been a long time since the BFSC had a collegiate skater compete and it is the first time for the UAB Team to have representation. Have a wonderful experience Brooke!

Harper Breitenfeld and Adria Liliac represented the BFSC at the 2023 Texas Trophy, National Qualifying Series, held in Plano, TX the first week of October. [Congratulations](#) girls and Coach Aly on an exciting season competing in the Intermediate Women's Division. We can't wait to see what you do next!

[Congratulations](#) to *Adam Hudson and Rachel Morris* for strong performances at the 2023 ISU Adult Competition held in Nashville last month. Adam placed 2nd in the Silver Men's Free Skate and Rachel took 5th place in the Silver Ladies Free Skate. Adult skaters from all over the world had a wonderful week of comradery and support at the Ford Ice Center in Bellevue. The next ISU Adult competition will be held in Oberstdorf, Germany, May 2024.

TEST SESSION RESULTS

BIG THANKS to Test Chair, Priscilla Fowler and all the volunteers who made the October 22 Test Session an epic event! With 48 tests, this session was the largest the club has held to date. [Congratulations](#) to all who passed! And best wishes to all who will retest; you've got this!

SINGLES

Adria Liliac – Silver, Pass with Honors
Harper Breitenfeld – Silver, Pass with Honors
Palmer Lunsford – Pre-Silver, Pass with Honors
Shannon Shaffer – Bronze
Caroline Lee – Pre-Bronze
Leilah Kooshlar – Prelim
Amanda Orr – Prelim
Bianca Myers – Prelim, Pass with Honors
Tina Lou – Pre-Prelim, Pass with Honors
Declan Sitzman – Pre-Prelim, Pass with Honors
Peyton King – Pre-Prelim
Colette Haskell – Pre-Prelim, Pass with Honors
Johannes Gao – Pre-Prelim
Emily Ragsdale – Pre-Prelim

DANCE

Palmer Lunsford – Prelim Dutch Waltz, Canasta Tango, Rhythm Blues
Lillian Jackson – Pre-Bronze Cha Cha

SKATING SKILLS

Palmer Lunsford – Silver
Leilah Kooshlar – Pre-Silver
Shannon Shaffer – Bronze
Sienna Newsome – Bronze
Kayla Pakulski – Adult Pre-Bronze
Allison Ambler – Adult Pre-Bronze, Pass with Honors
Scarlett Heide – Pre-Bronze
Lucy Jett – Pre-Bronze, Pass with Honors
Lucia Rodriguez-Barrantes – Pre- Bronze
Peyton King – Prelim, Pass with Honors
Johannes Gao – Prelim
Cianna Brulez – Prelim
Declan Sitzman – Prelim
Colette Haskell – Prelim
Avery Pfeiffer – Prelim
Bianca Myers – Prelim
Jasmine Burns – Pre-Prelim, Pass with Honors
Dabin Choi – Pre-Prelim
Madelyn Long – Pre-Prelim

Emily Ragsdale – Pre-Prelim, Pass with Honors
Zelie Federle – Pre-Prelim, Pass with Honors
Mackenzie Jones – Pre-Prelim, Pass with Honors
Peyton Bell – Pre-Prelim
Katelyn Thomaston – Pre-Prelim

EVENTS

October was a busy month! Thanks to everyone who came out for the Adult Skater Exhibition, Halloween Club Ice & Trunk or Treat, and the Public Session Spooky Ice!

A big shout out to Trunk or Treat participants and over 30 skaters of all ages who showed up to the Club Ice in great costumes!

The following received prizes from the BFSC Junior Board.

Best Homemade/Creative Kid: Mushroom Girl! We are remiss that we did not get your name! Our sincere apologies! Please reply to this email so we can set the record straight!

Funniest Kid: Dane McBrayer

Scariest Kid: Delia Bice

Best Adult Costume: Autumn Jackson

Best Trunk or Treat decorations: Jayna Rae Jackson.

Spooktacularations!!!

The Bake Sale and sale of pizza and drinks raised \$266.00 towards holiday gifts for Angel Tree kids. Thanks everyone for making this such a successful and fun event!

CHRISTMAS FOLLIES on ICE

Sunday, December 17, 3:00 pm

Canopy Park Apartments & Wake Up in Birmingham join the Pelham Skate School and Aspire Academy to present over 80 skaters in the annual holiday show!

Get your tickets at <https://www.ticketmaster.com/christmas-follies-on-ice-pelham-alabama-12-17-2023/event/20005F2BAFEDBB72>

BFSC TEST SESSION SCHEDULE

Stay tuned for announcements but count on a session during the Magic City Ice Classic May 3 – 5, 2024

NEW BFSC MERCH AVAILABLE ON THE BLATANT TEAM SHOP

Baby, it's cold outside! Celebrate the chill in the air and the fall season with new BFSC gear! You'll find cozy jackets, tops, and hats in a variety of styles and colors. Visit the BFSC Team Shop here:

<https://blatantteamstore.com/collections/birmingham-figure-skating-club>

Your purchases contribute to the BFSC fundraising efforts as 10% of sales comes back to the club! Show your team spirit!

BFSC COMPETITION WARMUP JACKETS ARE DIFFERENT FROM THE BLATANT MERCH!!!

The Official BFSC Competition Jacket is **ONLY** available for purchase via Entryeze. Follow these directions to place your order:

www.entryeze.com

1. Under Membership/Testing click "Find Your Home Club"
 2. Type in **Birm** then select Birmingham Figure Skating Club & click "Go to Club"
 3. Under Existing Members click "Access My Account"
 4. Log In with your Entryeze Username & Password
 5. Move pointer to the "Merchandise" tab to see the drop-down options
 6. Click "Available Merchandise"
 7. Select "2023 BFSC Jacket *NEW LOGO*" Select: SIZE
 8. Member: Choose NAME (**NOTE that the name chosen will be the name embroidered on the front right chest of the jacket**)
 9. Click Add to Cart
 10. Click the black Cart/Checkout button in top right to complete the purchase.
- Other items available through Entryeze with the NEW LOGO include the North Face ¼ zip pullover in Men's/Unisex sizing and puffer vest in Youth, Ladies, or Men/Unisex sizing. These two items have the BFSC logo on the front left chest. Embroidered name is not available on these items.

2024 REGIONAL COMPETITIONS *This is NOT a conclusive listing but a start! We'll continue to update and add to this list in subsequent issues of Bladelines. Note too that the Collegiate season has a different schedule.)*

March 8 – 10, Magnolia Open, Alpharetta, GA
March 22-25, Louisville Spring Invitational/2024 SEGL Competition,
April 18 – 21, Skate Nashville
May 3 – 5, Magic City Ice Classic, Pelham, AL
July TBD, Skate Detroit
July 19 – 21, Peach Open – NQS, Duluth, GA
July TBD, 2024 Peach Classic
July TBD, Charleston Open
August 2- 4, Scott Hamilton Invitational – NQS, Bellevue, TN
August 23- 25, Atlanta Open
September 6 -8, John Smith Memorial Invitational, Charlotte, NC
October TBD, Boston Open
October 3 -6, Cranberry Fall Open – NQS, Norwood, MA

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