

Mission, Vision and Values

Our Club's mission is to create and cultivate opportunities for participation and achievement in figure skating at all levels, ages and disciplines. Our vision is to foster fun and inspire a lifelong passion for skating, while developing champions on and off the ice.

For more details, visit our website: www.sunvalleyfsc.org.

Welcome to the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club!

Welcome to the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club ("SVFSC" or "Club")! Whether you are just beginning your skating journey or are a seasoned skater, we are here to help you grow, improve, and enjoy the sport of figure skating. Our community is built on support, respect, and a love for the sport.

SVFSC is a 501(c)3 non-profit, community-driven organization dedicated to fostering figure skating in beautiful Sun Valley, Idaho. Whether you are competing at the local, regional, or national level, or simply skating recreationally, we offer programs and support for all ages and skill levels. We are proud to support a strong network of coaches, skaters, and families who share a passion for figure skating and a commitment to excellence.

We hope this Welcome Packet contains the information you need to get started and make the most out of your membership with us.

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1. Sun Valley Ice Skating & Club History

THE CLUB

One year after the opening of the Sun Valley Lodge in 1939, the Sun Valley Skating Club was formed as a probationary member of the United States Figure Skating Association. On May 8, 1949, the Sun Valley Skating Club, which then had 47 members, received its permanent membership with U.S. Figure Skating. At that time, the President of the Club was W.P. Rogers. Six years later, the Sun Valley Skating Club was incorporated and renamed the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club, Inc.. SVFSC is one of the longest standing figure skating Clubs in the United States!

THE ICE

Until 1955, the ice surface consisted of a small 120' by 60' outdoor rink. Beside this small rink, the Lodge also maintained natural ice in the winter months on the Sun Valley Lodge lawn. In 1955, a larger, permanent outdoor rink replaced the smaller one and this is the outdoor ice rink we still have the privilege to skate on today.

SUN VALLEY ICE SHOWS

In 1937, even before the Sun Valley Lodge was officially open, Sun Valley on Ice performed its first show. Hosted by Sun Valley Company, Sun Valley on Ice continues to be an ongoing summer tradition. Today, some of our youngest Club skaters can apply to take part in the iconic shows as part of a beloved group number, and many of our coaches have skated in the shows as pairs, soloists and ensemble skaters.

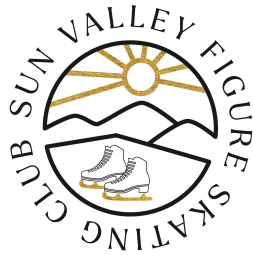
COMPETITIONS & TESTING

The Sun Valley Figure Skating Club held its first test sessions in 1956 and its first competition, orchestrated by Herman Maricich, in 1966. The Club continues to host the Sun Valley Summer Championships annually in July. Until 2024, the Club also hosted the Sun Valley Winter Games.

Pending USFS approval, the Sun Valley Summer Championships feature events for all levels and disciplines of skating — Championship Track (formerly Well Balanced), Excel, Solo Dance, Aspire, Basic Skills, and the ever-popular Showcase events.

Our summer competition is the largest competition held each year in the Pacific Northwest region, and it is our Club's commitment to Sun Valley Company to host this annual event in conjunction with Sun Valley Company's Summer Skating School. To make this competition possible, we rely heavily on the participation of our Club members through volunteer hours, which are essential to the success of the event.

DID YOU KNOW: The Club requires over 300 volunteer hours to host its 4 day Summer Competition? And, that does not count all of the pre-competition volunteer hours.



2. Club Membership, Benefits, Programs and Events

Sun Valley Figure Skating Club is a member of (and governed by) U.S. Figure Skating (USFS), Learn To Skate USA, and Pacific Northwest Inter-Club Council.

Membership: Club membership includes a full U.S. Figure Skating membership which is required for skaters to compete in sanctioned competitions, events and pass official tests. Our membership cycle runs concurrently with the USFS membership cycle from July 1st - June 30th. Registration fees are not pro-rated if members join after June 30 and are subject to change on an annual basis. SVFSC requires a parent to join alongside a minor member.

Membership in “Good Standing”: Per USFS, members must be in good standing with their home Club to be eligible to compete in sanctioned competitions and take official tests. Good standing means that all required dues and fees have been paid and that the member is in compliance with applicable Club rules, codes of conduct, and U.S. Figure Skating policies. Service hours are not required to remain a member in good standing, but completion of service hours is required to be eligible for certain additional Club benefits, including discounted punch cards, grants, and special awards.

Membership Benefits:

All SVFSC Members in good standing enjoy the following:

- USFS Membership
- Eligibility to compete in USFS-sanctioned events including competitions, testing, and shows
- Member pricing for SVFSC test sessions and free ice time for recording virtual tests with our home Club
- Free or discounted “Club ice” (periodically purchased by the Club when Sun Valley offerings are limited)
- Eligibility to participate in Club exhibitions
- Eligibility to apply for Sun Valley Company shows

Members who participate in the volunteer program and fulfill the required hours are eligible for additional benefits, including:

- Eligibility to purchase discounted punch cards
- Consideration for Club grants, awards and scholarships

[Please see attached service hour requirements for a more detailed explanation](#)

Discounted punch cards: Discounted punch cards are offered up to twice yearly to members in good standing who have participated in the Volunteer Service Hour program. These punch cards are offered at a 40% discount, jointly underwritten by the Club and Sun Valley Company, which each contribute 20% toward the reduced rate.

[Please see attached service hour requirements for a more detailed explanation](#)

Testing: U.S. Figure Skating tests serve as a prerequisite for competition and offer an opportunity for athletes to achieve personal goals in the sport. SVFSC offers occasional in-person tests as well as virtual test sessions throughout the year. Virtual test sessions are generally offered twice a month and are open to both Club members and non-members. SVFSC members receive a discounted entry fee when testing through our home Club sessions. As well, if you are a SVFSC member ready to record a virtual test, SVFSC will cover the ice time fee for one recording per test.



More about our virtual test sessions: <https://www.sunvalleyfsc.org/virtual-testing>

More about USFS testing: <https://usfigureskating.org/sports/2025/12/2/test-structure>

Virtual Test Chair: virtualtestchair@sunvalleyfsc.org

In-Person Test Chair: iptestchair@sunvalleyfsc.org

Events & Competitions: Club events and our summer competition are great opportunities for skaters to showcase their skills, build confidence, and connect with our vibrant Club community. We host seasonal exhibitions throughout the year as well as clinics, classes and other Club events from time-to-time.

To stay up to date on all events and opportunities for Club members, be sure you are receiving and reading emails from the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club. You can also follow us on social media for the latest news and updates:

- Instagram: @svfigureskatingClub
- Facebook: @SunValleyFigureSkatingClub

Sun Valley Summer Championships

July 23 - 26, 2026

Full event details will be posted on our website:

<https://www.sunvalleyfsc.org/sun-valley-summer-championships>

Programs: SVFSC offers Learn-to-Skate classes in collaboration with Sun Valley Company.

3. Volunteer Opportunities

Sun Valley Figure Skating Club relies on the support and help of our members through various volunteer opportunities throughout the year. All members are eligible and encouraged to participate in the Volunteer Service Hour Program to receive additional Club benefits.

[Please see attached service hour requirements for a more detailed explanation](#)

4. Sun Valley Figure Skating Club + Sun Valley Company - The Partnership

The Sun Valley Figure Skating Club and Sun Valley Company are completely separate organizations that work in close partnership to support a thriving skating community. While each has distinct roles and responsibilities, together they create the full skating experience in Sun Valley.

Sun Valley Company owns and maintains both the indoor and outdoor rinks. Skaters pay Sun Valley Company directly for ice time. Sun Valley Company also manages and schedules daily freestyle sessions, public skate sessions, Summer Skate School, *Sun Valley on Ice*, *Christmas Eve on Ice*, ProSkaters, Ice Dance International events, and other ice-related programming.



Sun Valley Figure Skating Club (SVFSC) focuses on programming that supports skater development and community engagement. The Club organizes in-person and virtual testing sessions, the Learn to Skate program, the Sun Valley Summer Competition, and member-only events and exhibitions. SVFSC rents ice from Sun Valley Company for testing sessions, competitions, exhibitions and Club ice (Club paid freestyle sessions).

SVFSC and Sun Valley Company work together to communicate updates and changes to rink schedules. While the Club shares updates from Sun Valley Co. with members via email whenever possible, we recommend checking the most current schedule directly through Sun Valley Company by visiting: <https://www.sunvalley.com/things-to-do/ice-skating/> or calling the skate house at (208) 622-2194.

5. Coaches

Coaches in Sun Valley are independent contractors with Sun Valley Company. While all coaches are required to maintain a current U.S. Figure Skating (USFS) membership, they are not employed by the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club.

Developing a strong working relationship with a primary coach is an important part of a skater's growth. At the same time, we encourage skaters to take advantage of opportunities to learn from a variety of coaches. Each coach brings unique expertise and perspective, and exposure to different teaching styles can enrich a skater's development across all areas of figure skating. We support skaters in exploring the full range of coaching resources available in Sun Valley to help them reach their goals and continue progressing in the sport.

Sun Valley Company's Summer Skating School is a great opportunity to work with a diverse group of highly qualified coaches. More information about the program and coaching staff can be found here: <https://www.sunvalley.com/things-to-do/summer-skating-school/>.

6. Parent Resources

The Learn to Skate USA and U.S. Figure Skating websites offer excellent resources for parents at every stage of a skater's journey, from Learn to Skate and Aspire programs to Basic Skills and beyond.

If you have any questions about SVFSC, U.S. Figure Skating, or figure skating in general, we encourage you to reach out to the SVFSC Board of Directors. The Board is made up of parents of skaters and former skaters who are happy to provide support, guidance, and perspective.

Parent Resources

[Quality Parenting Framework.pdf](#)

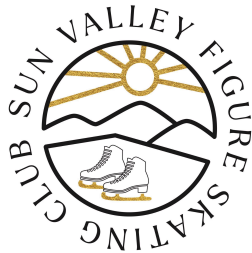
[Learn more about Learn to Skate USA® Membership](#)

[Learn more about membership with U.S. Figure Skating](#)

Parents Guide - [Volume 1](#) & [Volume 2](#)

[Hiring a Private Coach.pdf](#)

[Identifying a Trained Coach.pdf](#)



7. SafeSport / SkateSafe

SkateSafe is U.S. Figure Skating's athlete safety program designed to promote a safe, positive, and inclusive environment for everyone involved in the sport. It establishes required policies to help prevent misconduct and protect athletes, including guidelines for one-on-one interactions, electronic communication, locker room use, travel, and overall athlete safety.

The program requires background checks, SafeSport training, and full compliance from coaches, officials, board members, certain volunteers, and any adult working with minor athletes. In addition, SkateSafe outlines clear reporting procedures and oversight measures to ensure that any concerns are addressed promptly and appropriately.

Together, these standards help ensure that all participants understand their responsibilities and contribute to a safe and supportive skating environment. [SkateSafe - U.S. Figure Skating](#)

8. Board of Directors

CAITLIN OLSON - President, In-Person Test Chair and Co-Competition Chair

Email: iptestchair@sunvalleyfsc.org

Skater: Olivia Olson, 11 years old

JENNIFER KEELER - Treasurer

Email: treasurer@sunvalleyfsc.org

Skater: Julia Bennett, collegiate member, 5-time USFS Gold medalist

VALERIE LEWIS - Vice President, Virtual Test Chair and Co-Competition Chair

Email: virtualtestchair@sunvalleyfsc.org

Skater: Teagan Shea, 11 years old

RANDI McENTEE - Secretary/Membership

Email: randi@sunvalleyfsc.org

Skaters: Zoe McEntee 14 years old, Hannah McEntee 17 years old 4-time USFS Gold medalist

STEPHANIE TRUE - Safe Sport, Board Member at Large

Email: stephanie@sunvalleyfsc.org

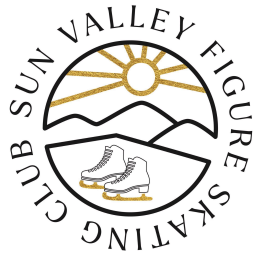
Skater: Madelyn True, 11 years old

JULIA BENNETT - Administrator

Email: admin@sunvalleyfsc.org

Coach Representative to the board: **Brent Bommentre**

Rink Representative to the board: **Scott Irvine**



9. SVFSC Online

Information about the Club can be found at our website. Additionally, the SVFSC maintains an instagram and can be found on facebook. If you would like to be reposted, tag us @svfigureskatingClub.

- **Instagram:** @svfigureskatingClub
- **Facebook:** Sun Valley Figure Skating Club
- **Website:** www.sunvalleufsc.org

10. Important Contacts/Information

- **General Inquiries:** admin@sunvalleufsc.org, info@sunvalleufsc.org
- **Membership Questions:** membership@sunvalleufsc.org
- **Volunteer Opportunities:** admin@sunvalleufsc.org
- **Testing:** In Person testing - iptestchair@sunvalleufsc.org ,
Virtual testing - virtualltestchair@sunvalleufsc.org

We are so excited to have you as a part of the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club! We look forward to seeing you on the ice and supporting your journey in figure skating. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out.

Welcome again, and let's skate!

Contact Us

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2026-2027 SERVICE HOURS PROGRAM

Welcome to the 2026–2027 season as a member of the Sun Valley Figure Skating Club (SVFSC)! As our community continues to grow, we are grateful for the support of our members and families in helping make our programs and events successful. Contributing service hours is not only essential to Club operations, it's also a meaningful way to connect with fellow skaters, parents, and supporters and be part of what makes SVFSC so special. Service hour opportunities are designed to support our Club while also providing access to additional member benefits.

Participation in the Service Hours Program is required for members who wish to receive additional Club benefits. Members who do not participate in the Service Hours Program remain Club members in good standing but are not eligible for these additional benefits.

Members who complete their service hours are eligible for Club perks, including:

- Consideration for Club grants and awards
- Eligibility to purchase discounted punch cards

Below are the service hour requirements for members and parent members opting into the Service Hour Program for the 2026–2027 membership year (effective July 1, 2026).

SERVICE HOUR REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERS OPTING IN FOR ADDITIONAL CLUB BENEFITS

CLUB MEMBERS Age 15 and older (as of July 1, 2026)

10 service hours per member per membership year - to be completed during Summer Competition

Eligible for two punchcards per membership season

This requirement applies to:

- Adult skating members
- Parents of any minor skating member (under age 18), including Learn to Skate and Aspire members
- Club members who are age 15 or older as of July 1, 2026
- First-year members age 15 or older
- Professional members (i.e., coaches – the Club will contact you individually)

CLUB MEMBERS Age 14 and younger

4 service hours per member per membership year - to be completed during Summer Competition

Eligible for two punchcards per membership season

Service hours for skaters under age 10 may be fulfilled by a parent, guardian or adult friend on the skater's behalf.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

5 service hours per member per membership year - to be completed during Summer Competition

Eligible for one punchcard per membership season

SUMMER COMPETITION REQUIREMENT Our summer competition is a highlight of the season and a true community effort. Members are expected to complete their required service hours during the five days of the competition (Wednesday setup through Sunday cleanup). This shared commitment helps ensure a successful event for all participants. If you or your skater are unable to attend the Summer Competition, there may be limited opportunities to provide financial support in lieu of service hours. These requests are reserved for extenuating circumstances and must be approved by the Board of Directors. A friend or family member may fill a member's service hours but the board should be notified to ensure the member gets their hours properly recorded.

We truly appreciate your continued support and involvement, it's what makes SVFSC such a strong and vibrant community. If you have any questions about your service hours or membership, please don't hesitate to reach out: admin@sunvalleyfsc.org