



Gloucester Skating Club

50th Anniversary Digital Campaign



*Over the next 12 Months
GSC will share stories and memories
of the last 50 years.*

*GSC is excited to share our “JULY 2021”
50th Anniversary Digital Campaign...
with our GSC family and friends!*



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July 1, 2021

Canada Day is an opportunity to unite communities from all walks of life, and to invite them to learn more about each other's traditions, struggles and experiences. While Canada Day celebrations this year are understandably subdued for several reasons, we couldn't let it go by in GSC's 50th year without sharing some of our flag-waving activities from years past. Whatever your family chooses to do this July 1st, we hope you have a wonderful day and we look forward to better times ahead!

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July 14, 2021

In Summer 2001, GSC played host to Caryn Kadavy, the 1987 World bronze medalist, and 4-time U.S. national medalist. Kadavy had also competed at the 1988 Winter Olympics, but had to withdraw before the long program due to the same flu that almost took out Liz Manley. Caryn spent the day working with all-levels of GSC skaters.

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July 16, 2021

Robert 'Bob' McAvoy - The man, the myth, the legend!... and GSC's first coach!

Bob was a very successful skater, whose accolades included the 1966 Canadian Novice Pairs Bronze Medal with partner Mary Petrie, the 1966 Canadian Novice Men's Silver medal, the 1967 Canadian Junior Pairs Silver medal with Mary Petrie, and the 1969 Canadian Senior Pairs Silver Medal again with partner Mary Petrie. Also in 1969 he and Mary were one of the first Canadian pairs to successfully land the new 'throw axel' at the Grand Prix Competition in St Gervais France, after it was no longer a banned move. They went on to become the 1969 North American Championship Bronze medalists, and then the 1970 Canadian Senior pairs silver medalists, earning them a place on the Canadian World Team, where they placed 15th in Ljubljana, Yugoslavia. The following year, Bob became one of Gloucester's first coaches when the club began in 1971. He was a very successful coach, with many wonderful skaters, including the club's first skater (Micheline Rioux) to a National Championship. He started the club's 1st competitive program and within 5 years of coaching Elizabeth Manley, she was also competing at the National level. He left the club in 1983, but his legacy lives on, because he is the reason the club is what it is today! #GSC #GSCis50 #skating

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FNV0lyMdXHE>



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Spotlight on Sponsors: Place d'Orleans first opened in Ottawa in 1979. They currently have over 120 stores, including a newly renovated food court. They have about 1 million shopping visits a year, including celebrities!

Fun Fact: Did you know that Place D'Orleans hosted an Avril Lavigne concert in March 2004! Tell us in the comments if you've ever skated to her music!

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Many summers the GSC held a picnic for members and their families, but in 2004, we did something special and attended an Ottawa Lynx game instead!!!

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Take me out to the ball game
Take me out to the crowd
Buy me some peanuts and cracker jacks...

Summer 2004
Lynx Picnic





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July 30, 2021

Kevin Cottam (former elite figure skating choreographer, director and choreographer of the Calgary '88 Olympic Closing Ceremonies, Holiday on Ice and Disney on Ice, now TEDx and Global Nomad Keynote Speaker, Executive Coach and author) has a message for our 50th Anniversary...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RrFfpR-1KVo>

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