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[Oxford Open Competition - results](#)

**Posted: 03-11-03**

Sophie Norsworthy staged a remarkable recovery in the novice ladies event at Oxford open on 30 October. Down in sixth place after her short programme, Wightlink-sponsored Sophie pulled back to second overall after securing second in the higher-scoring long programme.

In the group of 10 level two and three girls aged under 11, IW skater Gemma Marsh shared first place with Bristol's Jodie Elliott after it proved impossible to split the marks. [\[Top\]](#)

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[Alexandra Palace Open Competitions - results](#)

**Posted: 15-10-03**

IW skaters competed at novice and primary levels at Alexandra Palace open competitions in London on 7-8 October, taking podium places at both.

In the novice ladies, Wightlink-sponsored Sophie Norsworthy started strongly by taking the lead after the short programme. A repeat performance in the long programme guaranteed her gold overall.

Nine-year-old Sophie only recently passed the novice short programme test, making her one of the youngest skaters in the country at this level.

Kirsten Ginger took second in the primary ladies. [\[Top\]](#)

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[Swindon Open Competition - results](#)

**Posted: 23-09-03**

One IW-based skater took part in Swindon Ice Figure Club's first open since 1998, held on 22 September at the Link Centre, Swindon.

Competing against an older, higher level field, Gemma Marsh took third in the Peter Moreland trophy, the exhibition category for skaters of any age and level.

Two skaters who share membership with both Basingstoke and the IW were also placed. Sarah Howard-Jones was second in the event for beginners girls aged under nine, and Fraser Halliday won the group for level one boys. [\[Top\]](#)

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### **Annual Club Competition 2003**

**Posted: 05-09-03**

**Modified: 12-09-03**

Beginners' groups at the club's seventh annual competition were well contested, with many skaters taking to the ice competitively for the first time.

The competition, held at Planet Ice on Sunday 31 August, included free skating; spin, spiral and jump; interpretive; and artistic events.

First places went to Charlotte Aiken, Katie Archer, Fraser Halliday, Sarah Howard-Jones, Matthew Kershaw, Gemma Marsh, Alice Murray, Sophie Norsworthy, Sophie Tait and Joanna Tung, Some skaters won more than one category, with Joanna Tung notably winning all three events in which she was entered.

Archie Bicknell and Nicola Woodford won the awards for Spirit of Competition.

Trophies were kindly donated by Tesco Stores Ltd of Ryde.

#### **Results**

##### **Free skating**

Under 12 years: 1 Sarah Howard-Jones, 2 Henry Aiken, 3 Isabelle Coeshott.

12 years & over: 1 Joanna Tung, 2 Supriya Ghurye, 3 Katie Whiting-Wilbee.

Level one: 1 Fraser Halliday, 2 Sophie Tait.

Level two and three: 1 Gemma Marsh, 2 Lizzie Hall.

Level four and five: 1 Charlotte Aiken.

Level six and seven: 1 Sophie Norsworthy, 2 Matthew Kershaw.

##### **Spin, Spiral & Jump**

Under 12 years: 1 Sophie Tait, 2 Phoena Wilmott-Bayer, 3 Henry Aiken.

12 years & over: 1 Joanna Tung, 2 Supriya Ghurye, 3 Katie Whiting-Wilbee.

##### **Interpretive**

1 Matthew Kershaw, 2 Alice Murray, 3 Katie Archer.

##### **Artistic**

Beginners: 1 Joanna Tung, 2 Henry Aiken, 3 Sabrina Danzig.

Level 3 & under: 1 Gemma Marsh.

Level 4 & over: 1 Matthew Kershaw, 2 Alice Murray, 3 Abby Gardner.

Groups: 1 Katie Archer & Alice Murray. [\[Top\]](#)

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### **Guildford Opens - results**

**Posted: 08-07-03**

**Modified: 11-07-03**

Guildford Opens on 7-8 July saw the IW take two first places. In free skating, Matthew Kershaw won the Bernard Eddy trophy for level 4/5 boys, and in the artistic events, Charlotte Aiken won the Greenfield trophy for level 3 and under skaters aged 11 and over.

Second places went to Charlotte in the Brackenwood trophy, the free skating event for level 2/3 girls aged 11-12, and to Matthew in the Total trophy, the artistic event for level 4 and over.

Gemma Marsh was second in the Cedar Trophy, the artistic event for level 3 and under skaters aged 10 and under.

Katie Archer was placed third in the Analysis trophy for primary level ladies. [\[Top\]](#)

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### **Basingstoke Opens - results**

**Posted: 03-07-03**

**Modified: 14-07-03**

Two IW skaters took gold at the Basingstoke opens on 30 June - 2 July. Matthew Kershaw was first in the artistic event for levels 4/5 and Kirsten Ginger, partnered with Antoinette Hempel of Basingstoke, came top in the artistic event for groups.

In other artistic events, Katie Archer was second and Alice Murray third at level 7 and above. Charlotte Aiken took second in the group of 16 skaters at levels 3 and under.

First places eluded the club's skaters in the free skating, but second places went to Matthew Kershaw at levels 4/5 and Sophie Norsworthy at level 7.

Thomas Eklund was placed second in the primary men, Sophie Kent third at level 7, and Matthew Russell third in the junior men. [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **Kent Opens - Results**

**Posted: 17-06-03**

All three IW skaters competing in the [Kent](#) opens at Gillingham on 16-17 June ended up on the podium.

Matthew Kershaw won the Beaver Cup for the third year in succession, the fifth time in total that he has won this artistic event for level 7 and under boys. Charlotte Aiken continued her unbeaten run in artistic events this year, taking the Joanne Conway Cup for level 3 and under girls.

Matthew was second in the Fred Chilcott Memorial Trophy, the free skating event for level 4 and 5 boys, and Libby Ballard came third in the free skating group for level 1 girls aged 11 and 12. [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **Milton Keynes Opens - Results**

**Posted: 13-06-03**

Charlotte Aiken completed her second double of the year at the [Milton Keynes](#) Opens on 9-11 June. She won both the free skating event for level 3 girls aged 11 and 12, and the artistic category for up to level 3. [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **5th Mountain Cup, Villard de Lans - Results**

**Posted: 13-06-03**

Ice dancers Carol and Steve Taverner were up against a wide international field in the 5th Mountain Cup, held at Villard de Lans in the French Alps.

As members of the British team, Carol and Steve made a good start in their first international competition and were in 4th place after the first of the four dances in the Bronze category. They were overtaken, however, by two strong Italian couples and finished in 6th place.

But the podium did not elude Carol, who in her first free-skating competition completed a difficult and lively programme to win the Silver Ladies category.

The event was the largest international adult ice skating competition ever held, attracting 118 skaters from 11 countries from as far away as Singapore, Canada and the USA as well as from across Europe.

Carol and Steve, who have been skating for 12 years at Ryde Arena, attended a three-day training camp before the competition with top international coaches from the USA, Switzerland, Germany and France. [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **Streatham Open Festival - Results**

**Posted: 06-05-03**

All events involving IW skaters at the Streatham Open Festival on 28-30 April took place on the third day of competition. Charlotte Aiken won the Madeleine Trophy for girls - the artistic event for level 2 and above aged 12 and under. Matthew Kershaw won the inter silver field moves competition and came second in the Parry Trophy for level 4-5 boys. [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **Bracknell Opens - Results**

**Posted: 04-04-03**

**Modified: 18-04-03**

Six first places went to IW skaters at the Bracknell Opens on 1-4 April at John Nike LeisureSport Complex, Bracknell. Island competitors also took four second places and three thirds.

Charlotte Aiken picked up a double first by winning not only the exhibition category for level 2/3 skaters aged 11 and over, ahead of second-placed Libby Ballard, but also her free-skating event at the same level.

Gemma Marsh, returning to competitive skating following a back injury, was first in the exhibition event for level 2/3 skaters aged 10 and under.

Abby Gardner, Alice Murray and Matthew Kershaw made it a clean sweep in

the exhibition event for level 4 and above, taking first, second and third respectively.

Alice Murray and Wightlink-sponsored Katie Archer came top in the exhibition category for groups of two, three or four skaters. Vicky Dickson, Abby Gardner and Matthew Kershaw were third.

In other free skating events, Matthew Kershaw won at level 5. Katie Archer and Wightlink-sponsored Sophie Norsworthy came second and third in the primary ladies and level 7 events respectively.

Thomas Eklund was placed second in the novice men.

Local media links: reported 11-04-03 by [IW County Press](#). [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **Bristol Opens - results**

**Posted: 21 -02-03**

Katie Archer, the only IW skater to compete at Bristol Ice Skating Club's open competitions on 19 February, took gold in the primary ladies' event. [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **Slough Opens - results**

**Posted: 15-02-03**

All three artistic trophies at [Montem Ice Skating Club](#)'s free skating open competitions on 13-14 February went to IW skaters. Charlotte Aiken won at level 1-3, Matthew Kershaw at level 4-5 and Alice Murray at level 6 and over.

Katie Archer skated to standard in the primary ladies' event to take the Star FM trophy.

Sophie Norsworthy took second place in the Maidenhead Chiropractic trophy for level 6 girls aged 12 and under. Matthew was also second in the Sandy Sanders memorial cup for level 4-5 boys. Thomas Eklund was placed second in the novice men's event, the Slough Ice Arena trophy.

Charlotte came third in the Creations Cup for level 2-3 girls aged 11 or 12.

Local media links: reported 18-02-03 by [IW Radio](#) and 21-02-03 [Daily Echo](#) ([IW edition](#)), reported 7-03-03 by [IW County Press](#). [\[Top\]](#)

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#### **Regional test results, Swindon**

**Posted: 28-01-03**

**Modified: 18-04-03**

Congratulations to Sophie Kent and Sophie Norsworthy, who both passed their pre-novice tests at Swindon on 27 January. Both skaters went on to compete in the inaugural pre-novice championships at Nottingham Ice Centre on 11-13 April. [\[Top\]](#)

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