



Head Of Figures and Free and Coaching Team

Sadly, Nina Asquith has resigned as Head of Figures and Free due to personal commitments. Nina is a great ambassador for our Federation and displays the qualities that we should expect from all our Coaches and Officials. I would like to thank Nina for her contribution to the Figures and Free team and wish her every success going forward.

I have been appointed as interim Head of Figures and Free by the trustees until we appoint a permanent HOFF. My immediate goal will be to lead, support and drive the Figure and Free Strategy forward. I am pleased to announce the Figures and Free team who will have the responsibility for shaping the future of our discipline and will have clear goals on our expectations both Nationally and Internationally.

Headed up by Chris Fox as National Coach of Figures and Free coaching team, his team will be dedicated to improving and providing a framework within the figures and free structure, from a technical and educational viewpoint. The team has a vast range of experience and areas of expertise (both from a skating perspective and as a coach) and will endeavour to make announcements promptly as team meetings take place throughout the year.

Donna Wicks Deputy Head of Figures and Free

Ben Prior Technical Advisor to the team

Neil Emm Coaching team member

Paul McIlhone Coaching team member

Lee Taylor Coaching team member

Glen Wicks Coaching team member

The team will continue to develop their knowledge in line with the world skate technique and methodology and look forward to assisting in moving the sport forwards to aid international achievement and progression.

Announcements will follow the first coaching team meeting which is taking place on Saturday the 15th December.

I have had the pleasure of working with most of the team during my time as a Team Manager and each has the passion, technical knowledge and track record of competing at an international level (including the winning of a European and World title and various rostrum positions)

I firmly believe this team will take our sport forward and get Figures and Free back to where it has been and deserves to be. I'm sure you will join me in wishing them every success for the future

Have a restful and good Christmas with your families and lets all look forward to the hard work beginning in 2019

Jim Drain

Interim Head of Figures and Free

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