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RIP, David! 🥲🛼❤️



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It is with deep sadness that we share with you the passing of David Hicks, a long-time presence in our skating community and cherished member of the St. Moritz Ice Skating Club. David's dedication and passion for skating have left a lasting impact. He was there for many of our kids' and adults' first time on the ice, always fostering a love of the art of skating and cheering on the efforts of all — from world competitors to determined beginners. Over the years while running Learn to Skate in Oakland, David watched a number of students go from Tiny Tots to the highest levels of the sport, and couldn't have been prouder. He also was a big supporter of Oakland Ice Center's special skaters program, which advanced inclusiveness for all. As a dear friend noted, David was "a champion for everyone."

Long before his role managing skating programs in Oakland, David was an accomplished skater himself — a national competitor in singles and pairs in the mid- to later 1970s, and as an Ice Capades performer in the early to mid-1980s. He also danced professionally with Oakland Ballet.

David will be greatly missed! Please join us in remembering him and celebrating his life, and consider sharing any memories in comments.

Our thoughts and condolences go out to all of David's family and friends. ❤️

