

SANTA CLARA BLACKHAWKS NEWS



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Hello Blackhawks family!

I am excited and honored to serve as the President of our Blackhawks program. I have been a part of this community for over 3 years, and this is my second season on the board; first as president. It's a role I take seriously, and one I am proud to step into. As a board member and parent with multiple kids in the program, I have seen firsthand how much this program means to families. So, if you see me around the rink, please do not hesitate to say hi or share a thought. I am here to listen, connect, and work with you to make the best experience possible for our players and families. In this role, I see myself as a

bridge between our community and the board so we can continue to grow and improve together. I'm really looking forward to working with all of you and making this a great season for our players and families. Thank you for being here and for being part of this amazing program.

MESSAGE FROM OUR CLUB PRESIDENT



Child Advocates *Party on Ice* Event



For the 8th year in a row, the Blackhawks supported the Child Advocates of Silicon Valley's *Party on Ice* event supporting foster children in Santa Clara County. The Blackhawks volunteers assisted with event logistics, helping kids with skates, providing on-ice coaching and encouragement. Jessica Lee (CASA Mentor) stated our 'Hawks players "not only brought joy and laughter but also inspired their skating buddies to face challenges with confidence." Way to go 'Hawks!

BLACKHAWKS PARENT SEMINARS

PRESENTED BY:



KEVIN BERGNER SOVA KHUONG



Thursday, September 18th @ Fremont Rink

8U - 10U - 12U ⌚ **6:30PM**

Topics will include: The developmental path for younger kids. Developing athleticism. focus on fundamental player and skill development over everything else. Developing hockey sense and decision making with problem focused small area games. the time commitment needed in travel hockey to put your best foot forward. Expectations of personal responsibility and independence. Preparing for full contact hockey. Discussion of vertical movement within the club, competitive advancement, and the implications of horizontal movement across clubs.

14U - 16U ⌚ **7:15PM**

Topics will include: Discussing the developmental path for these age groups. Players should be proficient in the fundamentals by this age with fine tuning individual skills. More focus on "thinking the game" and team concepts. Managing the physical elements of the game. Discussing player maturity and conduct. Discussing vertical movement within the club, competitive advancement, and the implications of horizontal movement across clubs.

Board Liaisons

Each team has been assigned a Board Liaison for the 2025-26 season. Your Board Liaison serves as a direct point of contact to the Board when questions, concerns, or needs arise. The Liaison provides a clear channel for parents and families to raise issues or feedback to the Board in a constructive and confidential manner. Your liaison is there to help ensure smooth communication, reinforce consistency across teams, and support the overall player and family experience.

Board Liaisons – 2025-26 Season

- 8U – Frank Castronovo – frank.castronovo@blackhawks.org
- 10U1 – Angie Blackmon – angie.blackmon@blackhawks.org
- 10U2 – Sova Khuong – sova.khuong@blackhawks.org
- 12U1 – Frank Castronovo – frank.castronovo@blackhawks.org
- 12U2 – Shaun Collins – shaun.collins@blackhawks.org
- 12U3 – Fabian Guardado – fabian.guardado@blackhawks.org
- 14AA – Chris Harvey – Harveezy@gmail.com
- 16U – Kevin Bergner – icescheduler@blackhawks.org



Soft Goods Store

Pick up some extra Blackhawks gear at the Soft Goods Store and show off your 'Hawks spirit!



September 24th and 25th
6 - 8pm
Fremont Rink

Fundraising

As a non-profit organization, fundraising is a vital component for community engagement and to support operations and programs, allowing SCVHA to deliver our mission to the 'Hawks community. We have multiple fundraisers planned throughout the season. Our first Dine and Donate fundraiser is scheduled for **THURSDAY, SEPT 4TH**. It will be a **virtual fundraising event with Panda Express**. You can order at any nationwide Panda Express and as long as the online fundraising code is entered, our club will receive 28% of the proceeds! All funds raised from this fundraiser will be used to help offset hockey operations and the ever rising ice cost. **Forward the attached flyer to family and friends NATIONWIDE!**



FUNDRAISER FOR Santa Clara Blackhawks

ALERT!

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**Thursday, September 4,
2025**

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or delivery on Thursday,
September 4!



Where

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How

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Fundraiser Code box during
online checkout at
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via App

28% of sales will be donated to: Santa Clara Blackhawks

Founded in 1969, the Santa Clara Blackhawks have been a leader in Bay Area hockey for over
50 years.