

AHA Monthly Newsletter

HELPING EVERY KID PLAY THE GREATEST GAME ON ICE

10U MINOR NORTH STARS WIN BIG IN LAS VEGAS

The 10U Minor Wisthoff North Star team brought home the championship title from the 2025 Las Vegas Ice Center Presidents' Day tournament! Battling through a competitive field, the team showed grit, determination and teamwork all weekend long. In the championship game, they faced off against the Flagstaff North Stars and secured a 4-2 victory to claim the top spot. Congratulations to our 10U Minor North Stars on a well-earned win and for proudly representing AHA on the road!



10U WISTHOFF PRESIDENTS DAY CHAMPIONS



116 TEAMS COMPETE AT THE PRESIDENTS' DAY INVITATIONAL

The 2025 AHA Presidents' Day Invitational was one for the books, bringing together an incredible 116 teams across 11 divisions for a couple weekends of nonstop hockey. Over the course of the tournament, a total of 255 games were played at six different facilities across Anchorage and the Valley, showcasing the dedication and passion of players, coaches, and fans alike.

Events like this wouldn't be possible without the hard work and commitment of so many. A huge thank you goes out to the tournament staff, referees, and volunteers who helped make this event a success. Your efforts created a memorable experience for everyone involved.



LD 8U BLUE TRIUMPHS AT I ♥ HOCKEY TOURNAMENT

Our Little Dipper 8U Haag team showcased exceptional teamwork at the I Heart Hockey 8U Invitational Tournament, clinching the 2025 Blue Division Championship. The tournament was held out in Palmer, AK and featured 8U teams across the Red, White, and Blue divisions. The Little Dipper Blue Haag performance is a great example of why focusing on having fun, trusting their skills, and using team work to accomplish great goals. Congratulations to the players, coaches and families on this awesome achievement!



LD 8U BLUE HAAG I HEART HOCKEY CHAMPS



AHA VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH LANCE & DEANNA DICKEY

Volunteers are the backbone of the Anchorage Hockey Association, and this month, we are thrilled to recognize Lance and Deanna Dicky as our AHA Volunteers of the Month! Lance and Deanna went above and beyond during the Presidents' Day Invitational dedicating countless hours to scorekeeping and running the clock for multiple games. Beyond the tournament weekend, Lance has been a valuable asset to AHA's Saturday Goalie Clinics, ensuring young netminders get the extra support they need to develop their skills. Thank you, Lance and Deanna, for your incredible dedication to the hockey community. AHA is lucky to have volunteers like you!



POND HOCKEY ROOTS:

Several North Star players traded the rink for the great outdoors, lacing up their skates for the annual Last Frontier Pond Hockey Classic. Set against the stunning backdrop of Alaska's frozen wilderness, this tournament brings players back to hockey's roots: pure, fast, and played under the open sky. Pond hockey is more than just a game—it's a reminder of why we love the sport. We are so happy to see all of our players out enjoying the game with their friends and families!



DIMOND/WEST 2025 ALASKA GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONS

DIMOND/WEST CAPTURES FOURTH CONSECUTIVE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The dynasty continues. The Dimond/West girls hockey team secured their fourth straight Alaska Girls High School State Championship with a thrilling come-from-behind victory over the Fairbanks Arctic Bears, winning 3-2. After falling behind 2-0, Dimond/West showed their championship pedigree by storming back with three unanswered goals. Hailey Murray ignited the comeback, followed by Molly Sillers, who evened the score. With the game on the line, Avery Keim netted the game-winner, cementing Dimond/West's place at the top once again. Goaltender Siena Lardizabal was a wall in net, making 25 saves to keep Fairbanks from extending their early lead. Her performance, combined with the team's resilience and determination, proved to be the difference. Congratulations to the Dimond/West team on another state title and thank you to everyone involved in the Alaska Girls High School hockey league to make the 2024-2025 season one to remember!

CAST YOUR VOTE: 2025 AHA BOARD ELECTION

The 2025 Anchorage Hockey Association Board of Directors election is in full swing, and your vote matters! As we continue to grow and improve our association, your input helps shape the leadership that will guide AHA into the future. **Voting closes on March 19th at 11:45 PM.** If you haven't received your ballot, please contact AHA Executive Director, Matt Thompson, at mthompson@anchoragehockey.com



★ MARK YOUR CALENDARS ★



AHA REC A COMETS

- 14A State Tournament - March 20th - 23rd @ Wasilla, AK
- 16A State Tournament - March 21st - 23rd @ Fairbanks, AK
- 18A State Tournament - March 21st - 30th @ Wasilla, AK



AHA REC B PROGRAM

- 14B State Tournament - March 21st - 24th @ Wasilla, AK
- 16B State Tournament - March 27th - 30th @ Wasilla, AK
- 18B State Tournament - March 28th - 31st @ Wasilla, AK



GIRLS HS NATIONALS - TEAM ALASKA

- Girls High School Nationals - March 26th - 30th @ Anaheim, CA
- Team AK HS vs Stockton Saint Mary's - March 26th
- Team AK HS vs Lovell Academy - March 27th
- Team AK HS vs WEHL South West - March 28th



ALCAN SPRING LEAGUE

- ALCAN Spring League
March 18th - April 24th @ Dempsey
- Divisions: 6U - 8U - 10U - 12U - 14U - 16U - Girls



KRAKEN LEARN TO PLAY

- March 17th - April 30th @ Dempsey
- 5 years old - 9 years old



Anchorage Hockey Academy
Summer Camp
May 22nd - July 3rd

