



NEWSLETTER: September 2024

IN-HOUSE REGISTRATION

We are so close to the start of the season and we are excited to be back on ice. While our Travel hockey players are in the middle of Camp Ice and Tryouts/Placements, we are working on final prep for our younger skaters. If you have not already registered your U8 Mite, U6 Level 2, or Level 1 skaters, please do so as soon as possible. Register [HERE](#).

OIC UPDATES

If you have a skater who attended A-team tryouts for Squirts or Peewees that did not make a team, they need to participate in B/C Placements. B/C placements will take place over the next two weeks, review the calendar for days and times.

As a reminder, parents are not allowed in the rink during placements. You may assist your skater with gear but must leave the building prior to them getting on the ice. We believe that by creating a supportive and pressure-free atmosphere, we give our young athletes the best chance to showcase their talents and reach their full potential.

The remaining team schedules will be posted to Sports Engine by the end of the day (midnight) Saturday, October 5.

The OIC is writing the practice and games schedule and will have them posted soon. Watch the calendar for updates.

APPAREL STORES



The Apparel Stores are open!

Dragons store closes on September 23 (that's Monday!) You can find it here: [Dragons Apparel Store](#)

The 40th Anniversary and Patriots stores both close on October 6.

- [40th Anniversary Store](#)
- [Patriots Apparel Store](#)

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS AVAILABLE

If you are looking for a way to fulfill your volunteer credits for the season, we have a few positions available.

**Volunteers
Needed**

Age Group Liaisons

The Age Group Liaisons (AGLs) are members-at-large who report to the Age Group Liaisons Director (ALD). Each age level is assigned an AGL, and the AGL cannot have a child who is a skater at that age level. The AGL facilitates smooth and efficient communication between the parents, team representatives, coaches, and the Board of Directors. **We currently have openings for U6/U8, Peewees, and Bantams.** If you are interested in filling this role, please contact Greg Fawver at ald@patriotshockey.org.

Retention & Recruitment Coordinator

The Retention & Recruitment Coordinator is responsible for helping to administer PYHA surveys and supporting recruitment efforts. This role will be to register for and organize events such as Parades and *Try Hockey for Free* dates. If interested, please reach out to Lindsay at lindsayschleis@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dine-out Nights – The easiest fundraisers of the season! All you must do is show up during the designated times and a portion of the sales comes back to the Patriots organization!

🍕 Ian's Pizza @ Garver – 10/23

🍔 Culver's @ Cottage Grove Rd – 11/12

🌮 Chipotle – 01/15

18U HOCKEY TEAM IN VERONA ADDING PLAYERS!

Got a player who didn't make the high school team or prefers a different path? The Southwest Eagles in Verona offer a competitive 18U (Midgets) Coed team with players from Madison and nearby cities. They compete in WAHA 18U and HS Club League tournaments, including the WAHA State Title.

Note: Players must choose between WIAA and WAHA teams. Register with Verona Youth Hockey Organization—no release needed from the Patriots. Please contact [Zach Goepfinger](#) for more details.

QUICK HITS

- Warm-Ups for Patriots and Dragons are available to order at [Suter's Gold Medal Sports](#). Orders must be placed by October 14. Suter's also has home and away socks in-stock for both Co-ed and Dragons.
- Pictures are scheduled for November 5th and November 7th. More details will be coming out next month.

Minutes from the previous month's board meetings will be available online following approval during the most recent meeting. The next board meeting will be held **Monday, October 14** at **6 p.m.** at [Oakstone Recreational](#) in Cottage Grove and is open to all members of PYHA.

We always want to hear back from our families. If you have any questions or concerns, you can email them to PYHABoard@patriotshockey.org.

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