

# The Rink comes to Lafayette



Connor Edmunds (kneeling), back row left to right: Kyle Gagnon, Jaime Kenward, Dylan Edmunds and Michelle Hernandez  
Photo provided

The Lafayette Recreation Department will hold a grand opening celebration from 10:30-2:30 on September 29th for the new outdoor roller hockey rink and sports facility. There will be music, games, food, prizes and free skating.

Fifteen years ago, former Program Coordinator Brian McCooey built a roller hockey rink out of hay bail wrapped in plastic on the community center parking lot. This month Jonathan Katayanagi, the current Program Coordinator, looks forward to opening the doors of the unique new outdoor rink to a variety of sports. He explains, "The surface of The Rink is what really sets the facility apart from anywhere else in the bay area. The new outdoor Sportcourt tiles make skating at this rink feel just the same as skating at other bay area indoor rinks."

With The Rink, several new recreational opportunities will

open up. Kids can learn the basics of lacrosse in the little LAX league and the whole family can join in the fun on Friday Skate Nights. For both youth and adults there will be the new Lafayette Remix Basketball league; along with Dodge Ball and the ever popular Roller Hockey League.

**Event Schedule:**

- 10:30** Ribbon cutting ceremony
- 10:45** Bay Area Team Mascots (Warriors Thunder, UC Berkeley – Oski, Campolindo High Cougar, San Francisco Dragons Lacrosse – Scorch, Lafayette Roller Hockey - Viking)
- 11:00** Free Throw Competition
- 11:30** Future class Demonstrations (RC Cars, Roller Figure Skating)
- 11:45** All Skate and Games
- 12:15** Roller Hockey Demonstrations and Competition
- 12:45** Soccer and Dodgeball Games
- 1:15** Broom Ball Game
- 1:45** All Skate and Games



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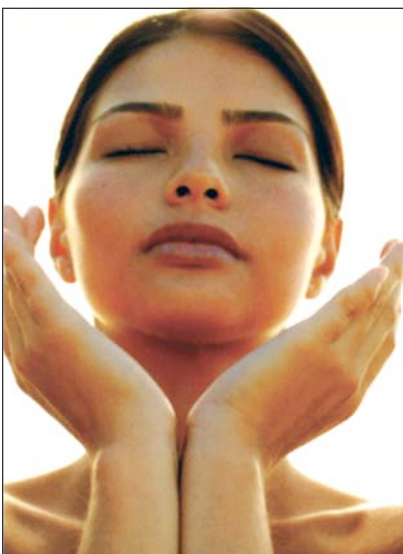
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