



THE BOARD NEWSLETTER



HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Happy Thanksgiving from everyone at the Santa Cruz Warriors!



Community Warriors



SEASON OF GIVING

The Santa Cruz Warriors tipped off the Season of Giving in partnership with the Santa Cruz Polar Express. Last week Casey Hill, Dennis Clifford, Cam Jones, Basketball Operations Coordinator Jacob Rubin visited Branciforte Small Schools to read "The Polar Express" to students with characters from the book. At the end of the reading, the children were surprised with tickets to ride in Santa Cruz's own Polar Express train! In the spirit of the holidays, the Warriors will host several community events to give back to the children and families of our community.



JR. NBA WEEK

Last week was Jr. NBA week, presented by Under Armor! The Warriors support the Jr. NBA Philosophy of teaching the fundamentals of basketball and using the sport to instill core character values. We aim to promote the positive development of young people through basketball and help to instill a lifelong passion for the game right here in Santa Cruz. Last Thursday, Terrence Drisdorn, Phil Pressey, Chris Obekpa, and Alex Hamilton headed over to the Boys & Girls Club of Santa Cruz and engaged 60 local youth in a basketball clinic. The players shared their passion for the game and taught that hard work, sportsmanship, and team work are the keys to the development of young people in basketball.



PLAYERS CURRENTLY ON ASSIGNMENT



Damian Jones: The Golden State Warriors assigned center Damian Jones to the Santa Cruz Warriors. Jones, who was selected 30th overall by the Warriors in the 2016 NBA Draft, underwent surgery on June 14 to repair a torn right pectoral muscle and has not appeared in a game with Golden State this season. The 7'0" center appeared in 99 games (95 starts) over three seasons at Vanderbilt, averaging 13.3 points, 6.4 rebounds and 1.69 blocks in 27.1 minutes.

Diamond Stone: The Los Angeles Clippers assigned center Diamond Stone to the Santa Cruz Warriors, pursuant to the Flexible Assignment Rule. Stone, the 40th overall pick of the 2016 NBA Draft, played one season at the University of Maryland, where he was named the AP Big Ten Newcomer in 2016. The Milwaukee native averaged 12.5 points, 5.4 rebounds and 1.6 blocks in 36 games (all starts), helping lead the Terrapins to the Sweet Sixteen.

OPENING WEEK RECAP:

Nov. 12 – The Warriors fell to the Los Angeles D-Fenders on opening night in an exciting fourth quarter battle, 114-116. Phil Pressey led the way for the Sea Dubs with 25 points, 6 assists, and 5 rebounds. Every fan in attendance received an opening night shirt and rally towel thanks to Kaiser Permanente!

Nov. 16 – The Sea Dubs defeated the Iowa Energy, winning the second game of the season, 125-104. Scott Wood notched a double-double, contributing 23 points and 10 rebounds en route to breaking a Santa Cruz all-time record with a total of 7 three-pointers! Every fan in attendance received a schedule magnet courtesy of Lloyd's Tire and Auto Care!

Nov. 18 – Santa Cruz outlasted Rio Grande Valley 112-110 in a wire-to-wire thriller, handing the Vipers their first loss of the season. Elgin Cook paced the Warriors with 23 points in a tightly contested battle that saw 17 lead changes and 11 ties. The Sea Dubs rocked alternate jerseys sponsored by Plantronics and held a jersey auction benefitting Second Harvest Food Bank. Each fan that donated a can of food received a free rally towel!

Nov. 19 – The Warriors were defeated by the Los Angeles D-Fenders 134-109 in their first road game of the season. Diamond Stone, on assignment from the Los Angeles Clippers, came off the bench to lead Santa Cruz with 31 points and 9 rebounds in 24 minutes.



UPCOMING GAMES:

Don't miss our last home game of November! Friday, November 25th is Stephen Curry Bobblehead Night! Arrive to the game early, the first 1,500 fans in attendance will receive a Stephen Curry 2x NBA MVP bobblehead!



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