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## Ace's Got Skills

Mighty Ducks Corey Perry and Joffrey Lupul helped make this year's Ace's Got Skills youth hockey competition a rousing success.

Held in early March at three Southern California ice rinks, the competition tested the hockey skill levels of boys and girls ages 9-12 in five categories: fastest skater, hardest shot, most accurate shooter, shoot out and best goalie.



Perry helped out at the Aliso Viejo Ice Palace on the first night of the competition, (March 6) while Lupul attended the competitions at Riverside Ice Town (March 8) and Anaheim Ice (March 9).

The winners from each event were given three tickets to the Ducks game against the Phoenix Coyotes on March 12 at the Arrowhead Pond. Those winners, as well as photos and statistics, are posted at [www.acesgotskills.com](http://www.acesgotskills.com). Overall winners from each competition will advance to the finals held in mid-June in New York City.

Registration fees from each competition benefited the Ace Bailey Children's Foundation, an organization dedicated to the well being of children undergoing major medical treatment in hospitals.

The competition and foundation are named after Ace Bailey, who played 11 seasons in the NHL on five different teams and won two Stanley Cups with the Boston Bruins. After his playing career, he joined the Edmonton Oilers scouting staff before serving as the Director of Pro Scouting for the Los Angeles Kings for seven years. He was killed on September 11, 2001 in the terrorist attacks as he was on board a flight to Los Angeles for the Kings' training camp.