

Ontario Tower Buzzers Raise More Than \$20,000 for Friends of Big Bear Valley During 'Fly High, Jackie Night'

Event honored beloved Big Bear bald eagle, Jackie, and recognized the Friends of Big Bear Valley and Ojai Raptor Center

ONTARIO, CA, UNITED STATES, August 25, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The [Ontario Tower Buzzers](#), the Single-A Minor League Baseball affiliate of the Los Angeles Dodgers, raised more than \$20,000 for [Friends of Big Bear Valley](#) on "Fly High, Jackie Night" on Sunday, Aug. 23, at ONT Field, honoring the life and legacy of Big Bear bald eagle Jackie.

Thousands of baseball and bird lovers packed ONT Field for the special evening which also recognized Friends of Big Bear Valley, whose nest cameras introduced Jackie to viewers around the world, and the Ojai Raptor Center, which cared for Jackie during the final weeks of her life.

The grandchildren of Friends of Big Bear Valley board members Teri Ashmore and Shelley Egan kicked off the festivities by throwing out the first pitch. Skytypers Inc then performed a flyover in the "Missing Man formation," followed by skywriting featuring dozens of messages including the iconic slogan, "Fly High Jackie," during



Logo of the Ontario Tower Buzzers



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the Tower Buzzers' 11-1 win over the Inland Empire 66ers.

The night also featured Ojai Raptor Center Executive Director Chris Eksteen and Dr. Kat Rasp, who led Jackie's treatment, as part of the club's Hero of the Game recognition.

Jackie, who was believed to have hatched in Big Bear Valley in 2012, became known around the world through Friends of Big Bear Valley's live nest cameras, which gave viewers an intimate look at her life in the San Bernardino Mountains alongside her longtime mate, Shadow. The nonprofit has operated its bald eagle nest livestream as a free public resource, helping educate viewers about bald eagles, the region's wildlife, and the importance of protecting Southern California's natural habitats.



Skytypers Inc. perform a flyover in the "Missing Man formation" over ONT Stadium during a tribute for Big Bear bald eagle Jackie.

Jackie died earlier this month following several weeks of intensive care after she was found grounded near Big Bear Lake. Her passing prompted an outpouring of tributes from the worldwide community that had followed Jackie, Shadow, and their eaglets through the Friends of Big Bear Valley livestream.

Friends of Big Bear Valley is a nonprofit organization dedicated to environmental education and advocacy and the protection of wildlife, habitats, and biodiversity throughout Big Bear Valley. Since installing its first bald eagle nest camera in 2015, the organization has provided a 24-hour livestream that has introduced audiences around the world to the lives of Jackie, Shadow, and their offspring, while building greater awareness of bald eagle conservation. The organization also provides educational resources for classrooms, advocates for the protection of environmentally sensitive areas, and works to preserve the natural habitats that support bald eagles and other wildlife in Big Bear Valley.

Fans wishing to continue supporting Friends of Big Bear Valley can purchase a "Fly High, Jackie Night" shirt at <https://towerbuzzers.milbstore.com/products/pre-sale-jackie-eagle-t-shirt-jackie>. All proceeds from the sales of the shirt will be donated to Friends of Big Bear Valley.

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About the Ontario Tower Buzzers

The Ontario Tower Buzzers are the Single-A Minor League Baseball affiliate of the Los Angeles Dodgers. The team plays its home games at ONT Field in Ontario, California, and is committed to delivering affordable, community-focused professional baseball to fans throughout the Inland Empire

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