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Hockey for Veterans

Ice times are announced for Veterans to learn skills for sled and stand up hockey and participate on Veteran only teams that have regular practices and games. The Buffalo Sabres Sled Vets and Buffalo Sabres Warriors are looking for Veterans to participate on teams as part of VA Western New York Healthcare System’s recreation therapy program. The program will assist Veterans of all abilities to learn hockey skills necessary to play the sport. Previous hockey experience is not required and sled Veterans do not have to be disabled to participate. The program is made possible through a donation from the Buffalo Sabres, Buffalo Sabres Foundation and National Fuel.

Upcoming ice times are as follows:

Sled/Stand Up—“Hockey Across America Weekend”

Sunday, February 17 at Riverside Rink Bud Bakewell Rink, 4:00pm-7:00pm

Sled

Tuesday, February 26, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 6:30pm-7:30pm

Sunday, March 3, Cazenovia Rink, 11:30am-12:30pm

Monday, March 4, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 6:00pm-7:00pm

Wednesday, March 6, Riverside Bud Bakewell, 5:30pm-7:00pm

Sunday, March 10, Cazenovia Rink, noon -2:00pm

Wednesday, March 13, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 5:00pm-6:00pm

Sunday, March 17, Cazenovia Rink, noon-2:00pm

Wednesday, March 20, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 4:00pm-5:20pm

Stand Up

Saturday, February 23, Cazenovia Rink, 10:00am-11:00am

Tuesday, February 26, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 7:30pm-8:30pm

Sunday, March 3, Cazenovia Rink, 12:30pm-2:00pm

Saturday, March 9, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 9:00pm-11:00pm

Saturday, March 16, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink 9:00pm-11:00pm

Sunday, March 17, Cazenovia Rink, 2:00pm-4:00pm

Monday, March 18, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 9:30pm-11:00pm

Veterans interested in participating can contact Pamela Kaznowski at 862-6814 or Pamela.Kaznowski@va.gov to learn more. Veterans must be enrolled in VA health care and can do so online at <https://www.1010ez.med.va.gov/sec/vha/1010ez/>.

Rink locations: Riverside Rink, 2607 Niagara Street, Buffalo 14207; Cazenovia Rink, Corner of Cazenovia and Abbott Road, Buffalo 14220. Sled hockey is the exhibition sport for the 2013 National Veterans Golden Age games being held in Buffalo, May 30 through June 4.

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