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Veterans Hockey Clinics

T'is the season for hockey! Veterans enrolled in VA health care are taking the ice for sled and stand up hockey clinics scheduled as part of VA's recreation therapy program. The clinics are designed to teach hockey skills to Veterans of all abilities. The clinics are made possible through a donation from the Buffalo Sabres, Buffalo Sabres Foundation and National Fuel.

Upcoming clinics are scheduled as follows:

Sled

Saturday, December 22 at Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 2706 Niagara Street Buffalo 2:30pm-4pm
Wednesday, December 26, Northtown Center, Amherst 5:00pm-6:00pm
Saturday, December 29, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 1:00pm-3:00pm
Saturday, January 5, 12, and 19, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 2:30pm-4:00pm

Stand Up

Saturday, December 22, Northtown Center, Amherst, 9:00pm-10:20pm
Sunday, December 23, Northtown Center, Amherst, 7:30pm-8:30pm
Wednesday, December 26, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 5:30pm-7:00pm
Thursday, December 27, Northtown Center, Amherst, 9:00pm-9:50pm
Saturday, December 29, Northtown Center, Amherst, 3:00pm-4:50pm
Sunday, December 30, Northtown Center, Amherst, 9:30pm-11:00pm
Wednesday, January 2, Riverside Bud Bakewell Rink, 5:30pm-7:00pm
Sunday, January 20, Cazenovia Rink, 6:20pm-7:30pm
Sunday, February 10, Cazenovia Rink, 8:00pm-9:00pm

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

“I would encourage Veterans of all ages and abilities to try this sport. As Veterans learn more hockey skills, they gain confidence to play at recreational to a more competitive level of hockey.” said Pamela Kaznowski, local coordinator National Veterans Golden Age Games. 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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