



Table Tennis Camp for Veterans with disabilities and members of the Armed Forces with disabilities

WHERE: Pure Pong Table Tennis Club, 1315 NW Overton Street, Portland, OR 97209

WHEN: June 9-11, 2014

WHO: Portland area Veterans with Disabilities (players could play wheelchair or standing)

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REGISTRATION: Please contact Jasna Rather for registration and to confirm participation

DEADLINE: June 5, 2014

COST: Free for Veterans with Disabilities and members of the Armed Forces with Disabilities

Day 1 of the camp on 6/9/2014 from 10am to 1pm:

The session will start with the Para Table Tennis Program presentation. The term "Para" is used in table tennis for all players with disabilities. Para players compete in table tennis classes 1-5 for wheelchair players (sitting table tennis), classes 6-10 for standing players (standing table tennis) and class 11 for players with intellectual disability. In the presentation, Veterans will learn about classification, opportunities for players with disabilities and info on program for Veterans with disabilities and members of the Armed Forces with disabilities. Info on possible benefits will be presented as well (local club memberships, local tournaments, how to qualify for VA Allowance and more). Paralympic and Olympic athletes will do table tennis exhibition and demonstration. Participants will start with the first training session in which coaches will show a variety of basic table tennis strokes.

Day 2 of the camp on 6/10/2014 from 10am to 1pm:

Practice session and matches

Day 3 of the camp on 6/11/2014 from 10am to 1pm:

Practice session

2014 VA Table Tennis program will serve Veterans with disabilities and members of the Armed Forces with disabilities at six sites (Arlington TX, Portland OR, San Antonio TX, San Diego CA, San Francisco CA and Virginia Beach VA). Prospective athletes will benefit from a concentrated program including exhibitions, instruction, play, classification and competition. Para sites are chosen where infrastructure, including local clubs and coaching already exist, so there will be a natural recovery/rehabilitation continuum once the introductory program is completed. Each of the six sites will organize an introductory 3 day intensive camp staffed by high level coaches (May or June 2014). Players will receive demonstrations, instruction on the rules and coaching to develop playing ability. Coaches, Paralympians and local athletes would take part of the program to stimulate interest and demonstrate the possibilities. Program would continue with weekly organized training and local tournament opportunities (July/August 2014). USATT website - www.usatt.org. USATT Para Contact – Jasna Rather jasna@usatt.org (817) 715-4062

REGISTRATION:

Participant's Full Name: _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **Zip:** _____ **State:** _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____ **E-mail:** _____

Date of birth: __/__/____

Branch of military service: _____ **Current or last rank:** _____

Type and description of disability: _____

Camp Days Participation (please mark one or more days): Day 1 Day 2 Day 3

