



KENT AREA SPORTS UPDATE

SIGN UP FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS BASKETBALL and/or WINTER SPORTS

Please remember that all athletes must have a current Special Olympics medical form on file at the SODE office before training and competing in Basketball or Winter Sports. Below are the due dates for SODE athletes and Unified Partners' medical release forms, as well as coaches' Class A requirements.

Deadline dates to sign up:

Dec. 15, 2016 (Nordic Skiing or Snowshoeing) • Dec. 31, 2016 (Alpine Skiing) • Feb. 6, 2017 (Basketball)

| SPORT | DATE | TIME | LOCATION | SPORT DIRECTOR | CONTACT |
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| <p><i>*To participate, please contact the Sport Director to register prior to attending your first practice. For the most up-to-date sports information, please check your Area webpage at www.sode.org</i></p> | | | | | |
| BASKETBALL | Practices start on Sunday, Jan. 22, 2017. **Report to the Main gym at 1:00pm on 1/22 | 1-3:00pm and 3-5:00pm | Main gym and Auxiliary gym at Wesley College on Governor's Ave. in Dover | Jasper Little | 302-399-3395 |
| <p>To register for Basketball, contact Jasper Little or Dave Manwiller at 302-233-8018 if you are interested in playing this season. We will have a Unified team, traditional teams and a skills team. Let us know in advance if you are planning on joining a team!</p> <p>VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR BASKETBALL. We are looking for additional coaches and Unified Partners. Please contact Dave Manwiller for more information at sode.kent@gmail.com</p> | | | | | |
| WINTER SPORTS (Snowshoeing) | Sundays Nov. 27, 2016 – Jan. 22, 2017 | 1-2:30pm | Paper Mill Park, Newark | Kevin Chong | snowshoeseason@gmail.com |
| WINTER SPORTS (Snowshoeing & Nordic skiing) | Saturdays Dec. 3, 2016 – Jan. 21, 2017 | 10:00am - 12noon | Brandywine Creek State Park, Wilmington | Ed Baldwin | ebaldwin@powerdslc.com |
| <p>Pls. contact the Sports Director to sign up. Athletes in Snowshoeing and Nordic skiing will compete at the Special Olympics Pennsylvania Winter Games in Seven Springs Ski Resort on Jan. 29-31, 2017. Special Olympics Delaware will provide uniforms and equipment.</p> | | | | | |
| WINTER SPORTS (Alpine skiing) | Begins Sundays starting Jan. 8 | 6:00am departure from UD | Alpine Skiing trains at Blue Mountain | Tom Whitehair | whitehat11@verizon.net |
| <p>Competition site for Alpine Skiing TBD. For more information, please contact Tom Whitehair.</p> | | | | | |
| FIGURE SKATING | Wednesdays through March 2017 | 6:30-7:30pm | Wilmington Skating Club 1301 Carruthers Ln. North Wilmington | Head Coach: Sue Lapin | Sue@LapinSystems.com 610-496-6904 |
| <p>Competition at Special Olympics Pennsylvania in York, PA - March 2017.</p> | | | | | |



2017 EVENTS CALENDAR (Go to WWW.SODE.ORG for additional information)

- JAN. 21** AREA BOWLING TOURNAMENTS - check next page for your area event schedule
- FEB. 3-5** 2017 Polar Bear Plunge and Weekend Festival, Rehoboth Beach. Register today to take the Plunge! WWW.PLUNGEDE.ORG
- FEB. 18** BOWLING STATE TOURNAMENT, Brunswick Doverama, Dover
*(*Only bowlers who competed at the Area Tournament are eligible)*
- MAR. 25** Dodgeball Madness, Caesar Rodney High School, Camden-Wyoming (LETR Fundraiser)
- APR. 1-2** BASKETBALL STATE TOURNAMENT, Bob Carpenter Center, Newark
- APR. 23** Ride to the Tide, Rommel Harley-Davidson in Smyrna (LETR Fundraiser)
- MAY 11** Over the Edge, 300 Delaware Avenue, Wilmington
- JUN. 7-9** Law Enforcement Torch Run - Statewide
- JUN. 9-10** 2017 Summer Games, University of Delaware athletic complex, Newark

AREA SPIRITWEAR - place your orders online (Great holiday gift!)**

In an effort to provide athletes, families and fans with access to Special Olympics Delaware spiritwear, all areas will now have the opportunity to order area wearables and gear at any time with our new and secure vendor-based online ordering system!

Use this link to place an order. http://willpromo.com/wild_kats_spiritwear



Example: Navy sweatshirt in crewneck style



Thank you to all our Kent Area leadership team, volunteers, families and athletes for your work and support with our SODE Fall Festival! Many thanks, also, to all our coaches, Unified Partners and volunteers for your help throughout this past sports season.
Go Wild Kats!



• Visit www.sode.org and click on the E-News button on the top to subscribe to our electronic newsletter. Learn more about your Area information by clicking on the Area Tab and choose "KENT".



• Like our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/SpecialOlympicsDelawareKent.



• Have you changed your mailing address, email address or phone number? If so, please notify the SODE office at 302-831-4653 so that we can update our records. Thank you!



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2017 KENT WILD KATS & MOT TIGERS AREA BOWLING TOURNAMENT

Saturday, January 21, 2017

-Schedule of Events-

Brunswick Doverama

- 8:15am Registration Opens
- 8:45am Warm-ups
- 9:15am Opening Ceremony
- 9:30am Competition
- 11:30am Awards (Presented on Lanes)





SPECIAL OLYMPICS DELAWARE
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POLAR BEAR
PLUNGE** REHOBOTH BEACH,
DELAWARE
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THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE PLUNGE



**2017 LEWES POLAR BEAR PLUNGE
FEBRUARY 5, 2017**

Friends don't let
friends Plunge
alone
Create a Team
and Plunge
together!

Your support helps us to provide year-round programs for our athletes.

Every 1st Sunday in February, more than 3,500 thrill-seeking plungers head to Rehoboth Beach to 'Take the Plunge' to benefit the 4,000 athletes of Special Olympics Delaware. The Lewes Polar Bear Plunge is a fundraising event in which individuals pledge \$75 or more for the cool adventure of plunging into the ocean with thousands of Polar Bears - while showing their courage and support of people with intellectual disabilities throughout the state.

Your cool experience helps Special Olympics Delaware provides year-round sports training, competition, leadership opportunities and more -- for 4,000 Special Olympics athletes! All these programs and services are always completely FREE thanks to fundraising events like the Polar Bear Plunge.

Whether you dip your toe, go ankle deep, or go all in, you will be doing something extraordinary!

DARE TO TAKE THE PLUNGE FOR A GREAT CAUSE

REGISTER TODAY! Visit WWW.PLUNGEDE.ORG