



OLYMPIC DAY 2015

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San Francisco Bay Area Sports Organizing Committee (BASOC) and the Northern California Olympians and Paralympians (NCOPA) celebrating Olympic Day 2015 with multiple events around the San Francisco Bay Area

Events are part of 700+ nationwide events celebrating the birth of the modern Olympic Games

San Francisco, CA, USA – The spirit of the Olympic Movement will roll into the San Francisco Bay Area, as BASOC and the NCOPA coordinate clinics, demonstrations and exhibitions in Celebration of Olympic Day.

Olympic Day, held annually on June 23, is celebrated by millions of people in more than 160 countries. Commemorating the birth of the modern Olympic Games, Olympic Day is not only a celebration, but also an international effort to promote fitness and well being in addition to the Olympic ideals of fair play, perseverance, respect and sportsmanship.

Anne Warner Cribbs, BASOC CEO and 1960 Olympian explains, “We are excited to take part in Olympic Day and inspire kids in the San Francisco Bay Area to dream about participating in the Olympic Games. The Olympic spirit is alive and well in the San Francisco Bay Area and BASOC is proud to support the Olympic Movement and encourage children to lead healthy, active lives.”

Events in Northern California include Fencing, Swimming, Table Tennis, Soccer, Curling, Cycling and more. A complete list with locations, times and dates is included in this release.

BASOC’s activities are some of more than 700 events taking place nationwide between June 2 and June 30. The events are designed to engage youth and promote the ideals

of the Olympic movement, featuring athlete appearances, family-friendly activities and interactive learning experiences.

Greg Massialas, President of the Northern California Olympians & Paralympians, three-time Olympian (1980, '84, '88) and current USA Olympic fencing coach, adds, "Northern California is home to over 450 Olympians and Paralympians from past and current teams. We are delighted to share our pride and love of the Olympic Games with future generations of Olympians and Paralympians."

Trooper Johnson, four time Wheelchair Basketball Gold medalist (1992, '96, '00, '04) says, "The Olympic Charter proclaims that the practice of sport is a human right. We are very proud this year to have several Paralympian clinics and mini-tournaments, ensuring that everyone can see that there are no limits to what can be achieved."

Around the world, more than 160 countries take part in the annual celebration. Olympic Day, created in 1948 to commemorate the birth of the modern Olympic Games, focuses on the Olympic values and ideals such as fair play, perseverance, respect and sportsmanship. In the U.S., Olympic Day events range from small gatherings to large, city-wide events.

For more information about Olympic Day activities in the San Francisco Bay Area, please contact Anne Warner Cribbs, 415.264.2067 or 650.323.9400.

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Events, Demonstrations, Clinics Hosted by BASOC & Northern California Olympians

1. CURLING

Wednesday, June 3, 9:30am – 11:30am

Oakland Ice Center

Curling exhibition and discussion of Olympic values and Ideals

Westlake Middle School attendees

Barbra Higgins, 1984 Olympian Fencing

San Francisco Bay Area Curling Club

2. FENCING

Tuesday, June 23, 4:00pm

Massialas Foundation's Olympic Day

2530 Taraval

San Francisco, CA 94116

Olympic Spirit Presentation by Olympians preparing for Rio 2016

Greg Massialas, 1980, 1984, 1988 Olympian, Fencing

3. OLYMPIC DAY IN SACRAMENTO

Tuesday, June 23, 1:00pm to 3:00pm

Volleyball Clinic, talks with Olympians and Paralympians

La Sierra Community Center

Johnson Gym, 5324 Engle Road

Carmichael, CA

Olympians Gabe Gardner 2004, 2008 Volleyball and Starr Hurley, 1964 Skiing

Joseph Chambers, 2008 Wheelchair Basketball Paralympian and Annie Desalernos,
Northern California Paralympic Regional Sport

4. ROAD TO RIO – It-Takes-A-Team-Torch Relay

Monday, June 29

Jordan Middle School

750 N. California

Palo Alto

2004 Swimming and 2012 Cycling Paralympian Kelly Crowley, will begin the relay, with the torch passing through the hands of every swimmer during the days' practices.

5. University of San Francisco Summer Camp

Week of June 22

Kids Kamp for ages 5-10 features Olympic Themed events and Olympian

Elizabeth Miles, 1984 Rowing will speak about her Olympic experiences.

6. Celebrating the Olympic/Paralympic Spirit

Saturday, June 13, 2015

10:00am - 1:00pm

Olympic & Paralympic themed events and activities throughout the day, including Torch Relay, Photos, Face Painting and Basketball scrimmage.

BORP, Bay Area Outreach & Recreation Program, or Paralympic Sport Club, Bay Area

The James Kenney Recreation Center

1720 - 8th St., Berkeley

Trooper Johnson, Wheelchair Basketball (1992, '96, '00, '04) Paralympian

www.borp.org

9. Table Tennis Clinic (for veterans)

Friday, June 26, 10am – 1pm

Riekes Center for Human Enhancement

3455 Edison Way, Menlo Park, CA

Sharon Kelleher, 2000 and 2004 Wheelchair Tennis and Manager of Communications
and Paralympic Sport Programs

Riekes Center for Human Enhancement

10. Sitting Volleyball Clinic, mini tournament and BBQ Lunch

Saturday, June 27, 9:00am to 11:00am

Katie Holloway, 2008 & 2012 Volleyball, Paralympian

Sharon Kelleher, 2000 & 2004 Wheelchair Tennis, Paralympian and Manager of Communications and Paralympic Sport Programs

Riekes Center for Human Enhancement

Supported by Nor Cal Regional Volleyball

11. SOCCER

Woman's World Cup Soccer viewing parties at San Francisco Civic Center with Bay Area Scores & San Francisco Rec and Park

Friday, June 12, 5:00 pm

Sunday, June 22, 4:00pm

Sunday, July 5, 5:00pm

Olympians & Paralympians

Barbra Higgins, 1984 Fencing

Kim Carlisle, 1980 Swimming

Kelly Crowley, 2004 Swimming & 2012 Cycling Paralympian

Katherine Johnson, 2002 Rowing

Anne Warner Cribbs, 1960 Swimming

13. BASOC's Fifteenth Annual Olympic Night at the San Francisco Giants

Friday, June 26, 5:30pm

Ticket information at www.basoc.org

14. City and County of San Francisco – Mayor Lee will issue a Proclamation celebrating Olympic Day in San Francisco and around the world.

15. Special Recognition

In addition, BASOC salutes the University of California at Berkeley and Stanford University for their long heritage of Olympians, Paralympians and student athletes, both USA and International, representatives who have trained and studied at both Universities.