



SOCHI 2014 CANADIAN PARALYMPIC TEAM

SLEDGE HOCKEY, DEFENCEMAN



STEVE ARSENAULT

DATE OF BIRTH	SEPTEMBER 6, 1988
AGE AT SOCHI 2014	25
BIRTHPLACE	HAMILTON, ONTARIO
HOMETOWN	SPRUCE GROVE, ALBERTA
RESIDENCE	EDMONTON , ALBERTA
HEIGHT/WEIGHT	170 CM / 80.5 KG
DISABILITY TYPE	AVASCULAR NECROSIS
COACHES	MIKE MONDIN, CURTIS HUNT
PERSONAL WEBSITE	n/a
TWITTER	@ARSENAULT_14
LANGUAGES	ENGLISH
PARALYMPIC HSTORY	NONE

Steve Arsenault has made a successful return to sledge hockey after personal tragedies derailed his career. In 2013, he helped Canada win the gold medal at the World Sledge Hockey Challenge in Toronto, the Four Nations tournament in Sochi, Russia and the IPC World Championships in Goyang, South Korea.

In 2012, Arsenault was on Canada's silver medal-winning squad at the World Sledge Hockey Challenge while in 2011 the highlights were gold at the World Sledge Hockey Challenge and silver at the Japan Para Ice Sledge Hockey Championships.

Arsenault returned to sledge hockey 2010 after a three year absence in which his father suffered a serious injury and his mother passed away. His disability is known as avascular necrosis of the femoral head. A rapid growth spurt at age 10 weakened the femur and pelvis and complications after surgery caused the femur to lose its spherical shape and strength.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

2013 World Champion... 2013 and 2011 World Sledge Hockey Challenge gold medallist.





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PERSONAL

FAMILY:

Son of Joe and Jill... Has two brothers, Michael and Jayson, and one sister, Tamara.

GETTING INTO THE SPORT:

Began playing sledge hockey with the PSA Dogs in Edmonton in 2004... Has played with the Edmonton Impact since 2005... Has been named Paralympic Sports Association MVP in Edmonton on two occasions... Lists his father, Joe, as his favorite coach.

ODDS AND ENDS:

Favorite NHL player: Joe Sakic... Favorite NHL team: Edmonton Oilers.

NOTABLE INTERNATIONAL RESULTS

YEAR	WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS	WORLD SLEDGE CHALLENGE	PARALYMPIC GAMES
2013	GOLD	GOLD	--
2012		SILVER	--
2011		GOLD	--

