



2015 DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE WARRIOR GAMES



Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA. (May 18, 2015) – The first Department of Defense Warrior Games, hosted by the United States Marine Corps, will take place aboard Marine Corps Base Quantico, VA, June 19-28. This is the sixth year the Warrior Games have taken place and the first time they have been organized by the Department of Defense.

The Department of Defense created the Military Adaptive Sports Program to enhance the recovery of wounded, ill, and injured service members and veterans through sport. Since its inception, the Military Adaptive Sports Program has assisted more than 158,000 wounded, ill, and injured service members and veterans at 325 structured camps and clinics.

The resiliency and fighting spirit of our nation's military service members and veterans will be front and center as they compete in this preeminent Paralympic style sports competition, which includes eight individual and team sports. Air Force, Army, Navy/Coast Guard, Marine Corps, Special Operations Command, and British Allied Forces teams will compete, and will be joined by caregivers and military families. The games will feature 270 of the finest wounded, ill, and injured athletes.

The Games are open to the public. There is no charge for admission.

For more information about the 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games go to: <http://www.defense.gov/warriorgames> or visit us at <https://www.facebook.com/WarriorGames>

Coordinating instructions for media:

Media interested in attending the 2015 Department of Defense Warrior Games are required to pre-register. Access to the games will be limited and registration is required. Please visit www.event.com/d/6rq2x3/6X in order to register and receive credentialing information.

June 18 has been designated as a Media Day from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Media are invited to attend all events as well as to attend a Military Transition and Wellness Fair featuring programs to support the recovery and reintegration of our warriors and their families.

Additional information may be requested by email at WWR_PAO@usmc.mil or by contacting Captain James Ferguson, USMC at (571)-465-6659.