



# Team USA Game Notes

2015 World Sled Hockey Challenge • Leduc, Alberta

Team USA (4-0-0-0) vs. Russia (3-0-0-1)

Feb. 7, 2015, 7:00 p.m. ET • Championship Game

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## TONIGHT'S GAME

The 2015 U.S. National Sled Hockey Team faces Russia tonight at Leduc Recreation Centre in the championship game of the 2015 World Sled Hockey Challenge. This is the second consecutive international tournament in which the United States and Russia will face off in the championship game. Team USA defeated Russia, 1-0, in the gold medal game of the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia. The game will be televised in Canada on TSN and streamed live on FASTHockey.com.

## USA VS. RUSSIA

-The United States and Russia opened the 2015 World Sled Hockey Challenge against one another, with the U.S. winning, 3-2, thanks to **Declan Farmer's** goal with 1:45 left in the game.

- Team USA has won five of the last six meetings between the two teams, with USA outscoring Russia 13-7 over that span. Russia is the last team to defeat the United States when it came away with a 2-1 victory in preliminary round action at the Sochi 2014 Paralympic Winter Games.

## LAST GAME: USA 8, KOREA 0

**Dan McCoy** had five points, **Adam Page** and **Josh Misiewicz** each scored two power play goals, and **Steve Cash** recorded his second consecutive shutout as Team USA defeated Korea, 8-0, in semifinal play of the 2015 World Sled Hockey Challenge. **Declan Farmer**, **Nikko Landeros** and **Kevin McKee** also scored in the victory. Misiewicz was named U.S. Player of the Game.

## FOURTH STRAIGHT WSHC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

USA advanced to the World Sled Hockey Challenge championship game for the fourth consecutive time with its semifinal victory over Korea on Thursday. Team USA will look to win its third title after winning the event in 2009 and 2012.

## IN GOAL TODAY

**Steve Cash**, who holds a two-game shutout streak, will get the start in goal tonight. Among tournament goalies who have played more than 15 minutes, Cash is first with a 0.56 goals-against-average and 0.947 save percentage. The Overland, Missouri native has back-stopped Team USA to two Paralympic gold medals (2010, 2014) and two World Championship titles (2009, 2012). He was also in goal for Team USA's World Sled Hockey Challenge first place finishes in 2009 and 2012.

## Team USA Schedule

Sunday, Feb. 1 -- Preliminary Round	
vs. Russia	W, 3-2
Monday, Feb. 2 -- Preliminary Round	
vs. Korea	W, 8-1
Wednesday, Feb. 4 -- Preliminary Round	
vs. Canada	W, 2-0
Thursday, Feb. 5 -- Semifinals	
vs. Korea	W, 8-0
Saturday, Feb. 7 -- Championship Game	
vs. Russia	7:00 p.m.

All times Eastern. All games will be streamed on FASTHockey.com.

## LEADING THE WAY

Team USA enters the championship game having outscored its opponents 21-3 and leads all teams in goals-per-game (5.25), goals-against-per-game (0.75), and power play percentage (42.1%). The United States advanced from preliminary round action with a perfect 3-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record for the first time in tournament history.

## MAKING AN IMPACT

**Declan Farmer** enters the championship game with a tournament-best nine points and 2.25 point-per-game average. **Nikko Landeros** leads all defensemen with seven points while **Josh Misiewicz**, **Adam Page** and **Brody Roybal** are tied for the tournament lead with two power play goals apiece. Farmer (3-6--9), Landeros (3-4--7) and Roybal (3-2--5) have points in all four games and ten over the last two. Team USA's top line of Farmer, Roybal and **Kevin McKee** (3-3--6) have combined for 20 points.

## TEAM USA THANKS HOST

Throughout the 2015 World Sled Hockey Challenge, host Tanner Fandrey has accompanied Team USA. A Red Deer, Alberta native, Fandrey is a current sled hockey player with the Edmonton Impact whose home rink is the Leduc Recreation Centre. Coach **Jeff Sauer** invited Fandrey to join the team for its last practice and afterwards presented him with a signed Team USA jersey.



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### CURLING CHALLENGE SETTLES BET

After their putt-putt challenge at the West Edmonton Mall ended in a tie, four members of Team USA took to the curling rink to decide a winner. The group – consisting of **Steve Cash**, **Chris Douglas**, **Declan Farmer** and **Kevin McKee** – agreed to a curling challenge in which the person whose stone got closest to the center would win. The challenge, which can be seen on USAHockey.com, ended with Douglas as the winner.

### MATT HENDRICKS VISITS TEAM USA

Matt Hendricks, current forward with the Edmonton Oilers of the National Hockey League, visited the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team for breakfast on Thursday. Hendricks, who met Team USA's assistant coach, **Guy Gosselin**, while playing at St. Cloud State University, congratulated the team on its shutout victory over Canada the night before and wished them the best of luck in the remainder of the tournament.

### A DAY AT THE MALL

With the tournament having no games scheduled on Tuesday, Team USA spent the off day at the West Edmonton Mall. With more than 800 stores and over 100 dining services, the largest shopping mall in North America is equivalent to 48 city blocks and receives approximately 30.8 million visitors a year.

### PAULS THE DIRECTOR

When his playing days end, two-time Paralympic gold medalist **Josh Pauls** may have a future in television after documenting the team's trip to the mall. The video, which can be seen on USAHockey.com, includes behind-the-scenes clips of the team, including an interview with goaltender **Steve Cash**.

### Team USA at World Sled Hockey Challenge Year-By-Year Results

<u>Year</u>	<u>Finish</u>	<u>Location</u>
2013	Second	Toronto, Ont.
2012	First	Calgary, Alta.
2011 Nov.	Second	Calgary, Alta.
2011 Apr.	Third	London, Ont.
2009	First	Charlottetown, P.E.I.
2008	Third	Charlottetown, P.E.I.
2007	Third	Kelowna, B.C.

### NUMERICAL ROSTER

<u>No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
4	Brody Roybal	Forward
5	Billy Hanning	Defense
6	Luke McDermott	Forward
9	Sam Mumper	Defense
11	Tyler Carron	Defense
13	Josh Sweeney	Forward
14	Dan McCoy	Forward
15	Nikko Landeros	Defense
16	Declan Farmer	Forward
17	Chris Douglas	Forward
19	Kevin McKee	Forward
20	Adam Page	Forward
24	Josh Misiewicz	Forward
27	Josh Pauls	Defense
28	Paul Schaus	Forward
30	Kyle Huckaby	Goaltender
34	Steve Cash	Goaltender

### ROSTER BREAKDOWN

#### HOME STATES OF TEAM USA

Illinois	3	Texas	2
Colorado	2	Arizona	1
Florida	2	New Jersey	1
Missouri	2	Ohio	1
New York	2	Pennsylvania	1

#### BIRTH YEAR

1989	3	1994	2
1987	2	1985	1
1988	2	1995	1
1990	2	1997	1
1992	2	1998	1

**Average Age:** 23 years, 10 months

**Average Height:** 5'6"

**Average Weight:** 152 lbs.

**Oldest Player:** Billy Hanning (4/18/85)

**Youngest Player:** Brody Roybal (5/25/98)







### RECAPPING LAST SEASON'S TOURNAMENT

At the 2013 World Sled Hockey Challenge in Toronto, Ontario, Team USA finished second place to host Canada. In preliminary round play, the U.S. defeated Russia and Korea before falling to Canada. In the semifinal round, Team USA defeated Russia 4-1, and went on to face Canada in the championship game, falling, 3-1.

### INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS

The United States has won four of the last five major international events, including the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia; the 2012 IPC Sled Hockey World Championship in Hamar, Norway; the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games in Vancouver, British Columbia; and the 2009 IPC Sled Hockey World Championship in Ostrava, Czech Republic.

### WELCOME BACK

Eleven members of the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team represented Team USA at the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia.

D	Tyler Carron	(5GP, 0-0--0)
G	Steve Cash	(5GP, 4-0-0-1)
F	Declan Farmer	(5GP, 3-1--4)
D	Nikko Landeros	(5GP, 0-5--5)
F	Dan McCoy	(5GP, 0-2--2)
F	Kevin McKee	(5GP, 0-0--0)
F	Adam Page	(5GP, 3-1--4)
F	Josh Pauls	(5GP, 1-1--2)
F	Brody Roybal	(5GP, 2-0--2)
F	Paul Schaus	(5GP, 1-1--2)
F	Josh Sweeney	(5GP, 2-0--2)

### FIRST IMPRESSIONS

Six players are making their debut for Team USA, including goaltender **Kyle Huckaby**; defensemen **Billy Hanning** and **Sam Mumper**; and forwards **Chris Douglas**, **Luke McDermott** and **Josh Misiewicz**.

### CAPTAIN AMERICA

**Josh Sweeney** is serving as captain of Team USA, while **Nikko Landeros** and **Josh Pauls** are the alternate captains. A year ago, the trio helped Team USA capture the gold medal at the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia. Sweeney scored the game-winning goal to clinch gold over host, Russia. Landeros and Pauls were members of the U.S. squad that won gold at the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games in Vancouver, British Columbia.

### LEADING THE WAY

**Jeff Sauer**, former men's ice hockey head coach at the University of Wisconsin, is in his fourth season as head coach of the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team. **Guy Gosselin**, American Developmental Model regional manager for USA Hockey, is in his fourth season as an assistant coach for the U.S. National Sled Hockey Team.

### BUCCIGROSS RETWEETS

With the weather in Leduc, Alberta, hovering in the single digits, Team USA has been forced to bundle up in the cold. **Josh Pauls** has been sporting a "Bucci's Overtime Challenge" toque and, when he gave a shoutout to ESPN's John Buccigross on Twitter, was fortunate enough to get a retweet.

### TEAM FIRST

Members of Team USA are already teammates on club teams with Buffalo Sabres (**Adam Page**, **Paul Schaus**), Colorado Avalanche (**Tyler Carron**, **Nikko Landeros**), Disabled Athlete Sports Association St. Louis Blues (**Steve Cash**, **Billy Hanning**, **Josh Pauls**), Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago Blackhawks (**Kevin McKee**, **Brody Roybal**) and San Antonio Rampage (**Luke McDermott**, **Josh Sweeney**).

### SLED HOCKEY WORLDS

From April 26-May 3, 2015, HARBORCENTER in Buffalo, New York, will play host to the top sled hockey players in the world at the 2015 IPC Sled Hockey World Championship. Team USA, which has won the gold medal on two occasions (2009, 2012), has hosted the event twice previously (2000, 2008).

### HOCKEY WEEKEND

USA Hockey hosts the eighth annual Hockey Weekend Across America, presented by CCM, Feb. 20-22, 2015. Hockey Weekend Across America is focused on celebrating the sport and those involved while sharing hockey with new audiences. For more info, visit [HockeyWeekendAcrossAmerica.com](http://HockeyWeekendAcrossAmerica.com).

### TEAM STAFF

General Manager	Dan Brennan
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Equipment Manager	Davey Sproule
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## 2015 WORLD SLED HOCKEY CHALLENGE - TEAM USA STATISTICS

### Game-By-Game Individual Player Stats

NO.PLAYER	Feb. 1 USA-RUS	Feb. 2 USA-KOR	Feb. 4. USA-CAN	Feb. 5 USA-KOR	Feb. 7 USA-RUS
4 Brody Roybal	1-0	2-0	0-1	0-1	
5 Billy Hanning	0-0	0-1	0-0	0-1	
6 Luke McDermott	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
9 Sam Mumper	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
11 Tyler Carron	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
13 Josh Sweeney	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
14 Dan McCoy	0-0	1-0	0-0	1-4	
15 Nikko Landeros	0-2	0-1	2-0	1-1	
16 Declan Farmer	1-1	1-2	0-2	1-1	
17 Chris Douglas	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-1	
19 Kevin McKee	1-1	1-2	0-0	1-0	
20 Adam Page	0-0	1-0	0-0	2-2	
24 Josh Misiewicz	0-0	0-1	0-0	2-1	
27 Josh Pauls	0-0	2-1	0-0	0-0	
28 Paul Schaus	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	

### Overall Team Statistics

NO. PLAYER	POS.	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
4 Brody Roybal	F	4	3	2	5	0
5 Billy Hanning	D	4	0	2	2	2
6 Luke McDermott	F	4	0	0	0	0
9 Sam Mumper	D	4	0	0	0	12
11 Tyler Carron	D	4	0	0	0	4
13 Josh Sweeney	F	4	0	0	0	0
14 Dan McCoy	F	4	2	4	6	0
15 Nikko Landeros	D	4	3	4	7	0
16 Declan Farmer	F	4	3	6	9	2
17 Chris Douglas	F	4	0	1	1	0
19 Kevin McKee	F	4	3	3	6	0
20 Adam Page	F	4	3	2	5	2
24 Josh Misiewicz	F	4	2	2	4	2
27 Josh Pauls	D	4	2	1	3	2
28 Paul Schaus	F	4	0	0	0	0

Notes - DNP - did not play; first number represents goals, second number assists.

### Game-By-Game Goaltender Record

NO.PLAYER	Feb. 1 USA-RUS	Feb. 2 USA-KOR	Feb. 4. USA-CAN	Feb. 5 USA-KOR	Feb. 7 USA-RUS
30 Kyle Huckaby	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	
34 Steve Cash	1-0	1-0	1-0	1-0	

### Overall Team Goaltender Record

NO. NAME	GP	MIN	WL	GA	SV	GAA	SV%
30 Kyle Huckaby	1	19:41	0-0	1	5	2.29	0.833
34 Steve Cash	4	160:19	4-0	2	36	0.56	0.947







# 2015 U.S. National Sled Hockey Team

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## LEFT WING

**4** Roybal, Brody\*  
(ROY-buhl, BROH-dee)  
Northlake, Ill.  
Most Recent:  
3-1 • 120 RIC Blackhawks  
5/25/1998 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 3-2--5

## CENTER

**19** McKee, Kevin\*  
(muh-KEE, KEH-vihn)  
Chicago, Ill.  
Most Recent:  
4-7 • 115 RIC Blackhawks  
2/11/1990 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 3-3--6

## RIGHT WING

**16** Farmer, Declan\*  
(FAR-mehr, DECK-lehn)  
Tampa, Fla.  
Most Recent:  
6-0 • 135 Tampa Bay Lightning  
11/5/1997 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 3-6--9

**13** Sweeney, Josh\* (C)  
(SWEE-nee, JAWSH)  
Phoenix, Ariz.  
Most Recent:  
5-8 • 150 San Antonio Rampage  
6/6/1987 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 0-0--0

**28** Schaus, Paul\*  
(SCHAWZ, PAWL)  
Buffalo, N.Y.  
Most Recent:  
5-7 • 155 Buffalo Sabres  
11/8/1988 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 0-0--0

**6** McDermott, Luke  
(mihk-DEHR-miht, lewk)  
Fort Worth, Texas  
Most Recent:  
5-8 • 170 San Antonio Rampage  
9/1/1987 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 0-0--0

**20** Page, Adam\*%  
(PAYJ, A-duhm)  
Lancaster, N.Y.  
Most Recent:  
5-6 • 170 Buffalo Sabres  
3/10/1992 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 3-2--5

**24** Misiewicz, Josh  
(mih-SUH-vih-ch, JAWSH)  
La Grange, Ill.  
Most Recent:  
6-0 • 120 USA Warriors  
6/25/1988 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 2-2--4

**17** Douglas, Chris  
(DUHG-lehs, KRISS)  
Saint Cloud, Fla.  
Most Recent:  
5-9 • 150 Florida Bandits  
5/17/1990 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 0-1--1

## DEFENSE

**11** Carron, Tyler\*  
(KAIR-uhn, TIGH-luhr)  
Fort Collins, Colo.  
Most Recent:  
6-0 • 165 Colorado Avalanche  
5/11/1989 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 0-0--0

## DEFENSE

**15** Landeros, Nikko\*% (A)  
(LAHN-der-ohs, NIHK-oh)  
Johnstown, Colo.  
Most Recent:  
6-1 • 185 Colorado Avalanche  
4/28/1989 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 3-4--7

## EXTRA FORWARD

**14** McCoy, Dan\*  
(muh-KOI, DAN)  
Cheswich, Pa.  
Most Recent:  
5-4 • 145 Pittsburgh Penguins  
1/24/1994 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 2-4--6

## EXTRA DEFENSEMAN

**27** Pauls, Josh\*% (A)  
(PAWLS, JAWSH)  
Green Brook, N.J.  
Most Recent:  
5-8 • 135 DASA St. Louis Blues  
12/31/1992 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 2-1--3

**5** Hanning, Billy  
(HAN-ing, BILL-ee)  
Festus, Mo.  
Most Recent:  
5-10 • 160 DASA St. Louis Blues  
4/18/1985 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 0-2--2

**9** Mumper, Sam  
(muhm-PER, SAM)  
Dublin, Ohio.  
Most Recent:  
5-5 • 15 Ohio United  
9/24/1994 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 0-0--0

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## GOALTENDERS

**34** Cash, Steve\*%  
(CASH, STEEV)  
Overland, Mo.  
Most Recent:  
5-7 • 150 DASA St. Louis Blues  
5/9/1989 2015 WSHC: 4 GP, 4-0

**30** Huckaby, Kyle  
(huh-KUH-bee, K-EYE-uhl)  
Port Author, Texas  
Most Recent:  
5-5 • 155 Dallas Stars  
4/5/1995 2015 WSHC: 1 GP, 0-0



\*member of the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games Team that won gold in Sochi, Russia  
% member of the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games Team that won gold in Vancouver, British Columbia