



Meachem Ice Rink

Learn to Skate – February 2013

- Meachem ice rink was closed in April 2014 after serious mechanical problems, including corroded refrigeration pipes and a coolant which was no longer in compliance with EPA standards.
- Senator David J. Valesky secured \$350,000 for the project. Assemblyman William B. Magnarelli secured \$110,000.
- The ice mat will be kept in service year around and will be a permanent feature of the rink.
- The ice mat is the same kind of equipment which is used at large public rinks like that in Rockefeller Center.

History

- Meachem Ice Rink opened in 1973 on a site where valley neighbors had erected a makeshift rink for several years.
- A variety of teams utilize the facility, including Valley Youth Hockey, the City of Syracuse Learn to Skate program, Corcoran High School team (which is the only city high school hockey team and accepts members from schools citywide.)
- The Syracuse Crunch use this as a practice facility when the War Memorial is booked for other events.
- The rink attracts 24,000 skaters annually. The rink has the highest attendance and longest season of any city rink.