

# WPIH ATHLETE'S COMMITTEE NOMINEE



## PROFILE

**Name:**  
Alessandro Andreoni

**NPC:**  
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**Nominee:**  
Athlete Committee Member

Alessandro Andreoni's earliest memories of an ice rink date back to when he was four years old, watching his older brother Marco's hockey games. Although he couldn't skate at the time, Alessandro immersed himself in the world of sports by playing outside the ice rink with his younger siblings. Despite not being able to fulfill his dream of emulating his brother due to his impairment, Alessandro's determination led him to explore various other sports, including soccer, basketball, swimming, and table tennis. Throughout his journey, he internalized the values of teamwork, sharing, and healthy competition.

As Alessandro grew up, he became acquainted with the Paralympic Movement through swimming at Polha-Varese, a renowned sports club in Lombardy that specializes in training for ten Paralympic sports. It was there that he discovered Para Ice Hockey, finally realizing his long-held dream. At the age of sixteen, Alessandro embarked on a path towards remarkable achievements, participating in prestigious events such as the European Championships, World Championships, and the Paralympics in 2018 and 2022.