

Education Program Expands New Partnerships

TIM HORTONS – IWK – SENIOR’S HOMES

This past summer saw the Hall of Fame Education Program establish new partnerships with Tim Horton Children’s Camp in Tatamagouche, IWK Health Centre, and a number of senior homes.

Almost 11,000 young people have benefitted from a travelling program that has taken facilitators from one end of Nova Scotia to the other since last March, visiting over 20 schools and focusing on the new partnerships.

“We have brought much enjoyment to people across the province,” says Shane Mailman, Facility and Communications Manager at the Hall. “The children, in particular, benefitting from the Hall’s Future Hall of Famers program, have met Nova Scotia Olympians, world and Canadian champions, record setters, athletes who have inspired them with their stories of challenge and triumph. We hope we are able



Mickey Fox puts on Shooting Clinic after motivational presentation to the Tim Hortons Campers.

to create enthusiasm for youngsters to set and achieve their goals, just like our Hall of Fame members and future Hall of Famers have done.”

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Gala Event Planned for Induction Night

Six athletes and three builders will be welcomed by more than 900 sport enthusiasts Saturday, October 30th at WTCC. Induction Night will feature career highlights of the new Hall of Fame members on screen and through an oral presentation by long-time emcee Bruce Rainnie of CBC Charlottetown.

Athlete inductees are multi-sport champion Janice Cossar (right), Olympic gold medal rower Mike Forgeron, Olympic distance runner Robyn Meagher, world and national



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A major summer component of the education program was a regular schedule of visits to the Tim Horton Children's Camp in Tatamagouche. During seven different sessions, with 128 children at each, Hall of Fame athletes and sport role models gave motivational speeches and shared their stories of challenge and success.

In addition, the athletes participated with and against the campers in fun activities.

World champion paddler Karen Furneaux competed in a fun event with several campers.

All-Canadian basketball star Mickey Fox taught fundamentals of shooting and organized entertaining basketball activities.

Hall executive director Bill Robinson, a former Canadian Football League quarterback and All-Canadian at Saint Mary's University, taught the children how to properly throw a football and organized fun drills.



More than 100 children at the Tim Horton Children's Camp in Tatamagouche were captivated by a presentation by Hall of Fame staff and inductees during four different camp appearances.

pictures taken with the campers.

Summer program coordinator Catherine Cox said many campers were never afforded the opportunity to be coached or taught the fundamentals of a



Grey Cup Champion and Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame member Bruce Beaton, in helmet, shows the proper lineman's stance at the Digby Sports Fair.

Other sport stars attending camp sessions were Hall-of-Famer Bruce Beaton, a two time Grey Cup football champion, and 2006 and 2010 Olympic snowboarder Sarah Conrad who both signed autographs and had



Dartmouth Olympic snowboarder Sarah Conrad makes one child very happy to hold the Olympic Torch.

sport. “They loved participating and having inspirational role models take interest in their personal goals and skill development. They saw heroes in action and felt like heroes by working with the athletes.”

Visits to two of the first two seniors’ centres brought smiles to the faces of the residents and Hall of Fame representatives.

Catherine Cox commented later the audience was very interested “in the historical aspect of sport in Nova Scotia, more so than current athletes presented (in a video presentation). This is an excellent fit for our education program. It will encourage visits to the facility by groups such as this, plus they will also make nominations (for induction).”

At Oakwood Terrace in Dartmouth, the Hall reps (Catherine and Bill Robinson) recognized former boxing promoter Sonny MacPhee in the audience. He shared some of his stories and experiences and his fellow residents honoured him with several rounds of applause.

“It certainly made his day, and made the other residents happy,” said Catherine.

One of the women in attendance began to cry during the Johnny Miles portion of the presentation. “She explained later that her father was one of the people who drove Miles back from Boston after he won his second marathon there,” noted Catherine.

During the spring and early summer, the Hall crew visited dozens of schools and sport fairs, hosted many groups at the Hall, and began a series of programs at the IWK Hospital in Halifax.

In August, Furneaux, Conrad and Hall reps participated in a Mini-Olympics on the hospital grounds. The team of five raced in a relay, following which the athletes signed autographs and had pictures taken.

Child Life Playgarden Coordinator Kate Matthews later wrote to Catherine expressing her thanks. “All



Olympic paddler Karen Furneaux leads a Tim Hortons’ camper in a challenge race during a Hall of Fame education program at the Horton Camp in Tatamagouche.

of you were so helpful and friendly. Your interactions with the children were very appropriate. It’s nice for the children to have role models like that come from within the community.”

Hall visits from schools will continue regularly through the fall and winter.



The Hall of Fame staff and celebrity athletes assisted the IWK Health Centre during an Olympic Day. Olympic athletes Sarah Conrad and Karen Furneaux (second and third from left) joined Hall summer staff Monica Gunter, Catherine Cox and Jillian Greene.

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Hall of Fame Members Recognized

American Hockey League President & CEO **DAVID ANDREWS**, inducted to the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame as a builder in 2006, was named by the National Hockey League as a recipient of the 2010 Lester Patrick Trophy



for outstanding service to hockey in the United States. The award honors the memory of Lester Patrick, a 50-year player, coach and general manager and a pioneer in the sport's development. Andrews will be honored at a reception this month. "I'm deeply honored by this award and truly humbled to be amongst a list of former recipients that includes many of the legends in hockey," Andrews said. "I am very grateful to the selection committee and to the National Hockey League for this great honor." Since becoming AHL president in 1994, Andrews has guided the league through a period of explosive and unprecedented growth, directing the league to record levels of attendance and exposure while expanding its geography across the United States and Canada. Under his direction, the AHL has become the sole primary development league for all 30 National Hockey League organizations and will be operating with an all-time high of 30 teams during its historic 75th anniversary season in 2010-11. During Andrews' tenure, the AHL and its teams have been showcased to worldwide audiences on television, satellite radio and the Internet through live online video streaming.

In 2009-10, for the ninth year in a row, more than six million fans attended AHL games.

A native of Smith's Cove, Nova Scotia, Andrews starred as a goaltender for Dalhousie University and the University of British Columbia before playing four seasons professionally. He served as head coach of the Western Hockey League's Victoria Cougars from 1982-84 and as director of AHL operations for the Edmonton Oilers for seven years, including the Cape Breton Oilers' 1993 Calder Cup championship season.

Less than a year after being inducted into the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame, Halifax native **JODY HENNIGAR** has been named to the International Softball Congress Hall of Fame.



A superb pitcher and hitter, Hennigar won three ISC championships during his career, two with Farm Tavern in Madison, WI, (1997 and 1999) and one with Cedars, IA (1987). He was a member of Canadian midget and senior men's champions, won Pan-American Games gold medals with Team Canada (1995 and 1999) and was a six-time All-Canadian and five-time ISC all-world player.

Now living near Tampa, FL, Hennigar is a private hitting and pitching coach, plus coaches an 18-and-under girls team.

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karate champion Gary Sabean, national team soccer player Cindy Tye, and soccer record-setting scorer Ross Webb.



Football builder Rick Rivers (left), and track coach Kevin Heisler (right), and former University of Cape Breton athletic director and chair of the 1989 Canada Winter Games, Bucky

Buchanan, Sydney, are entering the builder category.



Tickets for the Induction Ceremonies are available at the Hall of Fame at \$25 for adults and \$10 for children under 12 by contacting Karolyn Sevcik at 404-3321 or by emailing halloffameevents@eastlink.ca.

Football Returns to Dalhousie

While Saint Mary's, St. Francis Xavier, Acadia and Mount Allison universities patiently wait to expand the AUS football league beyond four teams, Dalhousie has re-introduced football at the club level in a league with UNB-Fredericton, UNB-Saint John, Universite de Moncton and Holland College of PEI.

Dalhousie, UPEI and UNB Fredericton were part of a seven-team Atlantic University Football Conference until the end of the 1976 season when Dalhousie folded its football program. In 1979, UPEI packed it in, followed a year later by UNB.



Football as a Maritime university sport has survived well for the last 30 years, with SMU winning three Vanier Cups (national championship), Acadia two, St. F.X. one and Mount Allison appearing in one national final.

But football fans are convinced the four-team AUFC would benefit greatly by adding more teams. The advance taken by Dalhousie, following in the steps of the other four schools in the club program, might be what it takes to bring the sport to its earlier heyday with seven teams – and now maybe more.

Football has blossomed at the high school level in Nova Scotia, too, with 17 teams now competing, compared to a mere seven or eight as recently as 15 years ago. The pipeline of Nova Scotia players eligible for university football has increased dramatically, making recruiting somewhat easier. In New Brunswick and PEI, the interest in youth football has likewise boomed.

Football's history in Nova Scotia stretches to the 1940s. Until World War II, English rugby and soccer were the predominant "football" games played in the Maritime university sport. But as servicemen from elsewhere in Canada came to Stadacona, Shearwater and Cornwallis Naval Bases and the Greenwood Air Force Base, Canadian-rules football gained more prominence in the Halifax area and was adopted by some of the local universities and colleges.

In 1947, Dalhousie University first fielded a team in the intermediate Halifax City Canadian Football League

with teams from Stadacona and Shearwater and the Saint Mary's Grads, the latter comprised of students from Saint Mary's College and the Saint Mary's Amateur Athletic Club. They lasted only one year in the league

By 1951, the Nova Scotia Canadian Football League replaced the Halifax City league with Dalhousie a member of the intermediate league, with armed forces and community teams. Between 1954 and 1962, Acadia, Dalhousie, Mount Allison, UNB, SMU, St. Dunstan's (which became UPEI), St. F.X. and two Armed Forces teams made up the Atlantic Football Conference. As university football grew across Canada and a national championship game was established, the armed services teams were dropped from the AFC.

From 1980 to date, the Atlantic University Football Conference was a four-team league except for one season, 1990, when University College of Cape Breton joined but left the league after that inaugural attempt.

Now, with Dalhousie's renewed interest, and teams developed on other campuses in the region, university football could be on the upswing.

Floyd Gaetz Takes Leadership Role



Cellular phone entrepreneur Floyd Gaetz has taken over as chairman of the board of directors of the Nova Scotia Hall of Fame.

He replaces Fred MacGillivray, after the retired president and CEO of World Trade Centre Ltd. completed seven years as Hall chair.

Gaetz, CEO and President of AML Communications Inc. which is one of Rogers Wireless top performing dealers in Canada with 29 retail and six corporate locations, has been associated with the Hall for more than 10 years.

Using the foresight and financial acumen he has accumulated over the past 34 years in business, Floyd was instrumental in the creation of the new Hall facility at Metro Centre that opened four years ago. He coordinated the development of the display space that has attracted more than 80,000 visitors in each of the last three years.

Bill Robinson, executive director of the Hall, stated, "Floyd coordinated the construction of the facility. He came in on time and under budget and if not for him, the Hall would not have been built."

Floyd was named Volunteer of the Year by the Hall in 2009.

Throughout his business career, he has been crucial to

each business's success by defining innovative corporate marketing strategies, re-engineering business systems, initiating product development and defining sales and distribution channel management. Floyd's guidance has continually fostered enhanced growth and efficiencies for the companies he has directed.

The Musquodoboit Harbour-born Gaetz has set several goals for his term, which he sees as two-years under an objective to set standards for service time.

"I've served on many boards and committees and think two years is time enough to achieve goals and to prepare for succession," he says. "When I joined the Hall board five years ago, we had goals established that I think we've achieved satisfactorily, and it's time now to form another five-year plan."

Gaetz says the number one priority is the education program. "Prior to moving into this beautiful space at Metro Centre, in one off the finest provincial Halls of Fame in Canada, our goal was to create a place that is a must-see stop for visitors to the city and for people of HRM as well."

Now, he says, the message has to be delivered to young people, to motivate them and to set goals, as their sport heroes have done to become successes in their fields.

"We also have to utilize the facility, to change and keep the physical Hall of Fame interesting so it doesn't become dormant," Gaetz says. "And we have to remain sustainable and self-supporting. We're in good shape now, financially responsible, but must keep building to the future, reserving appropriate funding for eventual upgrades and re-development of the facility."

PAST WINNERS NOVA SCOTIA SPORT HALL OF FAME VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Tom Sweet (1988)
Pat Connolly (1989)
Joel Jacobson (1990)
Heather Harris (1991)
Gerry Spears (1992)
Sandy Young (1993)

Bruce Hopkins (1994)
Rob Randall (1995)
George Hallett (1996)
Mort Brown (1997)
Joan Shoveller (1998)
Dick Criddle (1999)

Sheila Gray (2000)
Judd Wilson (2001)
Dave Thomson (2002)
Joel Jacobson (2004)
Bruce Rainnie (2005)
Julie Marston (2006)

Bill Stanish (2007)
Molly Wilson (2008)
Floyd Gaetz (2009)

Tim Hortons Brews New Simulator Sponsorship

The naming rights of the popular sport interactive simulator that attracts “kids” of all ages to test their skills have been retained by Tim Hortons Ltd. through 2013.

Hall executive director Bill Robinson announced recently agreement had been reached on a three-year renewal.

Thousands of people use the simulator, Robinson said, “particularly children during Halifax Moosehead games when the Hall is open for visitors. During the day, when we get a lot of adult visitors, they, too are testing their abilities.”

The simulator has been an attraction since the Hall opened at its Metro Centre site just over four years

ago. Robinson said the programs in the simulator are being upgraded to add more realism, particularly in the hockey portion.



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Help for Hall's Collection



Tinisha Stilling, a graduate of Wilfred Laurier University (B.A. Archaeology), University of Toronto (M.A. Egyptology) and Fleming College of Peterborough (Post-graduate certificate in museum management and curatorship), has joined the Hall of Fame for a five-month work placement as collections assistant.

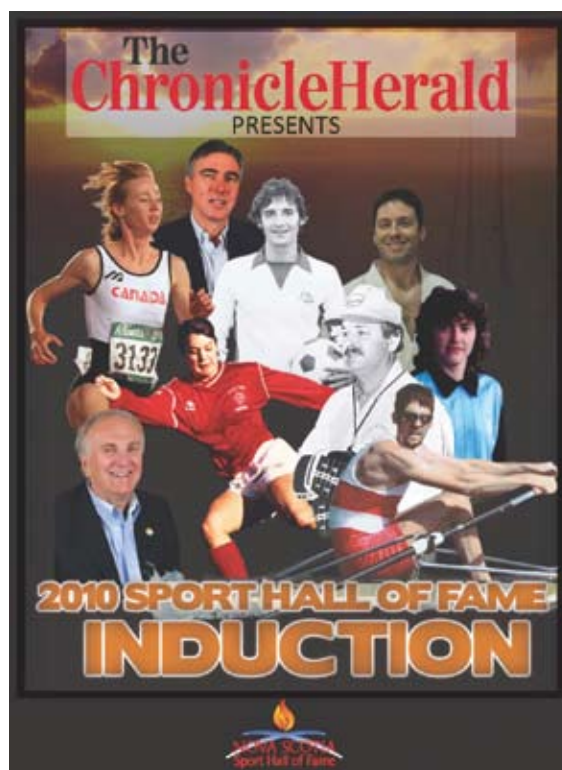
Her role will be to create a collection policy, improve the storage area, and, if time allows, make changes in the viewing areas.

“I’ve wanted to do museum work since I was a little girl,” says the 26-year-old native of Kitchener, ON. “I discovered studying archaeology was a good route to the museum field and then chose Egypt as my Master’s focus because it’s my favourite of all the civilizations. Both of those degrees concentrated on the theory of the subjects but the (three-semester program) at Fleming was truly hands-on, which is a great way to learn the field.”

Tinisha has worked in the Peterborough Museum and did a seven-month work term in Germany.

The Chronicle Herald Sponsors Induction Night

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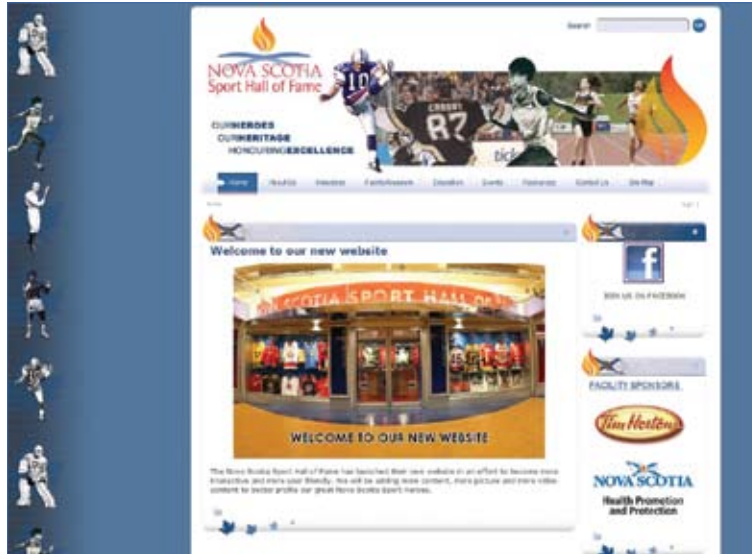
Fresh Hall Website Easy to Access

The Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame website – www.nsshf.com – has a new fresh look. Users can now navigate through the site easily, seeing more content, more pictures and even videos of Hall of Fame inductees.

A complete video of each Induction Night from 2005 - 2009 is on the site under “Inductee Profiles”. The site also offers the ability to place orders online for tickets to Hall events.

Viewers can search the collection online

through Artifacts Canada, which is linked off the Hall’s site, as well as other regional, provincial and national sport halls of fame.



“This is something we’ve wanted to do, and needed to do, to remain relevant and timely,” says Facility & Communications Manager, Shane Mailman. “We have limited personnel resources, but this site makes it easy for us to update it without contracting externally.”

Forever in Our Memories

Donald “Chick” Charlton, 87, passed away in Halifax July 1, 2010. Elected to the Hall of Fame as an athlete in 2000, Chick excelled in both hockey and baseball. He was a member of the Halifax Jr. Canadians who won the Maritime championship in 1941-42 and of the Moncton Hawks who captured the Maritime Senior Hockey title in 1946-47. He was an all-star member of baseball’s Halifax Arrows who won Halifax and District League, Nova Scotia Senior Baseball, and Maritime Senior Baseball Championship in 1947. He was also a member of the 1948 Halifax Capitals who won the same three titles.

Lou Medynski, 88, Halifax, passed away August 5, 2010. Growing up in Manitoba, Lou won

a Memorial Cup as a junior hockey player with the 1941 Winnipeg Rangers. He played a year of minor hockey in the New York Rangers system before joining the armed forces for World War II. Coming to Nova Scotia in 1945, he played hockey and baseball with Truro Bearcats and was a member of the Sydney Millionaires 1948 hockey team, inducted to the Hall of Fame in 2000.

Andy Swan, a member of the Shearwater Flyers 1957 national intermediate football champions, passed away in late September. The team thrilled 5,000 fans at Wanderers Grounds in Halifax with a 27-21 win over Fort William Redskins and became the first Maritime-based team to win that title. Swan’s Flyers were inducted in 1987.

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Halifax Anticipates Canada Games

Forty-one years ago, in 1969, “Look Out World!” was the rallying cry splashed across front pages and echoed by thousands who gathered in Halifax-Dartmouth to celebrate the first Canada Summer Games.

For the people of Halifax-Dartmouth and the country’s best young athletes, dreams of sport success took flight, records were set and goals were realized. The impact of those Games, in the legacy left behind, is still felt as Games venues, such as Centennial Pool, the Commons tennis courts, Canada Games softball field on the Commons, Saint Mary’s Huskies Stadium and Beazley Field in Dartmouth, a soccer, track and baseball site, are all continually busy today.



From February 11-27, 2011, The Canada Winter Games will give the country’s top young athletes an opportunity to live their athletic dreams in new facilities and some “old”, like Halifax Forum, completed in 1927, and Halifax Metro Centre, completed in 1978. Brand-spanking new venues, such as the Canada Games Centre, the main indoor stadium, with its pools and courts, on Lacewood Drive in Halifax, and the speed skating course being constructed on Halifax Commons, are sparkling. The main Canada Games Centre will remain as a permanent legacy for training young athletes in Nova Scotia, and affording an opportunity for people of all ages to participate in an active lifestyle.

These Games will be the third held in Nova Scotia, and the first since a highly-successful Winter Games in

Cape Breton in 1987 when new Hall inductee, Bucky Buchanan, was Games president.

Twenty-one sports will be represented at the 2011 Winter Games including: artistic



Canada Games athletes will be vying for medals during the 2011 Winter Games in Halifax. Pictured is a set of medals from the inaugural Summer Games held in Halifax in 1969.

gymnastics, badminton and synchronized swimming at the Canada Games Centre, long track speed skating at the Canada Games Oval, wheelchair basketball and table tennis at Citadel High School, ringette at Cole Harbour Place, hockey at Dartmouth Sportsplex and Halifax Metro Centre, boxing at Halifax Forum, curling at Mayflower Curling Club, target shooting and archery at Sackville High School, squash and

The difference in 42 years

	1969	2011
# of Sports	16	20
Days long	9	18
# of Athletes	2,500	2,700
# of Volunteers	2,000	5,000
# of media	209	400

judo at Saint Mary’s University (SMU), biathlon, cross country ski and snowboarding at Ski Martock, freestyle skiing and alpine skiing at Ski Wentworth, and short track speed skating and figure skating at St. Margaret’s Centre. A few thousand volunteers, the lifeblood of any amateur sport event, will give their time to ensure the participants, coaches and officials, as well as expected thousands of visitors, are cared for in a way for which Nova Scotians are known – friendly, helpful and warm.

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