

Stars will Shine on Induction Night

World and national champions, national team members, an international boxing official, Canadian coaching record holder, and a former National Hockey League player highlight the 2011 class of inductees to the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame.



The **Colleen Jones-skipped rink** of Mayflower Curling Club in Halifax won two world championships and five Canadian titles, including a record **f o u r - i n - a - r o w**

between 1999 and 2004. Team members are Jones, Kim Kelly, Mary Ann Arsenault and Nancy Delahunt. Coaches for the team were Hall of Famer Peter Corkum (99-01) and Ken Bagnell (01-05). Alternates were Lainie Peters (99-03) and Mary Sue Radford (04-06).

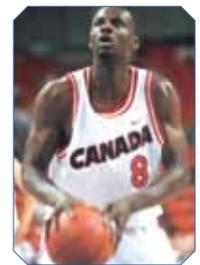


Boxing official **Hubert Earle**, Halifax, refereed several world championship bouts at sites all over the globe. Yet, more importantly, he has given back to the game at an executive level and by implementing many health and safety regulations for boxers and martial arts fighters.



Basketball coach **Carolyn Savoy**, Halifax, entering as a builder, has won an unsurpassed 858 games in Canadian Interuniversity Sport while coaching at Dalhousie University in Halifax for 32 years and St. Francis Xavier University in Antigonish for seven. Her teams won five AUS Conference titles and she was named AUS Coach of the Year five times.

Will Njoku, Halifax, starred in basketball at Saint Mary's University, winning the Mike Moser Award as most outstanding player in Canadian Interuniversity Sport in 1993 while leading his Huskies to the national championship. He was the first Haligonian to be drafted to the NBA, by Indiana Pacers in 1994 (41st overall), and also played 10 years of pro ball in Europe. He was a member of Canada's national team for 10 years and played in two FIBA world championships.



Steve Pound, Millinocket, ME, starred in basketball for Acadia University, leading the Axemen to the national university championship in 1981. He won the AUS scoring title twice, was a four-time AUS all-star, led the CIS in scoring in 1969-70, was an All-Canadian selection, is a three-time member of the Acadia Sport Hall of Fame, and is in the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame with the 1970-71 Acadia team.



Cam Russell, Dartmouth, was a tough defenseman with Chicago Blackhawks and Colorado Rockies for 10 seasons in the National Hockey League. He played in one Stanley Cup final with the Hawks and was an all-star in the Quebec Major Junior Hockey League with Gatineau.





Mike Scarola, Dartmouth, and now living in Toronto, won 19 senior national paddling championships in the C-2 class, a world bronze medal, and was a long-time member of Canada's national team. He finished sixth in the 2004 Athens Olympics (C-2 1000) and won silver at the world marathon championships (C-2) in Dartmouth in 2000 and silver (C-2 1000) at the World University Games in 2002 in Italy.

Induction will take place Saturday October 8, 2011 at the World Trade and Convention Centre in Halifax.

Bruce Rainnie, CBC news host in Charlottetown, as well as national sports voice for the network, will provide his entertaining emcee abilities for the 12th consecutive year.

Tickets will be available in September at the Hall of Fame.

Hall News & Notes

- The Hall of Fame facility at Halifax Metro Centre continues to attract large crowds. Among the thousands of visitors in the last several months were 12,326 during Canada Games events in Halifax in February.
- The Hall of Fame continues to be a focal point for the local sport community. Many media conferences and special events have been held in the Hall since January, including the Canada Games Hall of Fame induction ceremony in February (Halifax's Colleen Jones was honoured, among others), book launches by local media personalities Chris Cochrane (The Chronicle Herald) and Paul Hollingsworth (CTV), and media conferences announcing many sport and community events.
- Long-time friend of the Hall, emcee of our annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremonies and of other Hall events, Bruce Rainnie and wife Kendra MacGillvary added to their family when Alistair Donald Vail Rainnie was born April 6, 2011. He weighed in at 7.1 lbs.
- You can join the Hall of Fame's Facebook page through the website or by searching Facebook by Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame.
- Paul MacLean, inducted to the Hall in 1995, has been named head coach of the NHL Ottawa Senators. MacLean starred at Dalhousie University, on Canada's national team and for many years in the NHL. He was most recently an assistant coach at Detroit where his teams were Stanley Cup champions.
- Brad Marchand of Lower Sackville, finished his rookie season in Boston, helping the Bruins win the Stanley Cup. Expect to see Brad and the Cup on parade in the metro area sometime this summer.
- The annual Hall of Fame Golf Tournament will be played June 29 at the New Ashburn Golf Club in Fall River. For information, contact the Hall of Fame.
- The 25th annual Digby Classic will be played in early July at the Digby Pines course. The event has raised more than \$1 million in its quarter century. Three sponsors have been involved for all 25 years – The Digby Pines Hotel, Pepsi and Labatt Breweries. The Hall, Sport Nova Scotia and several Digby charities receive funding from the proceeds.

Hall Loses Members

Since our last newsletter, four members of the Hall of Fame have passed away.

Builder **Arnie Patterson** (2008), 82, died March 9 in Halifax. A long-time print and electronic journalist, Arnie was a promoter of sport in Nova Scotia and Dartmouth – all sport from paddling to harness racing to baseball.

Athlete **Ernie Yeadon** of Halifax, who left us March 18 at 81 years of age, was a goaltender on the Halifax St. Mary's Junior Hockey club that was inducted in 2002. He went on to a stellar senior career with several Halifax teams in the 1950s.

Athlete **John Salmond**, who passed away March 26 at the age of 75, was a member of the Shearwater Flyers football club that won the Canadian Intermediate Football championship in 1957. He also played senior baseball and armed forces hockey.

Athlete **Tony Lugar**, 75, died June 3 in Head of St. Margaret's Bay. He was a member of the Queen Elizabeth High School Canadian juvenile basketball champions of 1950 who were among the first inductee class in 1980. His daughter, Judy, is also a Hall of Fame member, inducted with sailing partner Morag MacLean in 2006.

Leah McInnis Brings Enthusiasm to Expanded Hall Education Program

Leah McInnis has jumped into her new job with enthusiasm and excitement.

“Education is the number one priority at the Hall of Fame,” says the recent graduate of St. Francis Xavier (B. Ed. in Physical Education 2011) who is the Hall of Fame’s education coordinator.

“It’s important for me to go across the province to touch all the communities who don’t have an opportunity to see the exhibits here (at the Hall site in Halifax).”

Leah is continuing a program started in spring 2010 that reached thousands of children, and adults, too, from Yarmouth to Sydney and points in between.

The Halifax native, who also holds a BA in History from Dalhousie (2006) and played varsity volleyball at both Dal and X, understands the importance of leadership, determination and facing challenges. She was an assistant volleyball coach at X and says, “as a local person, I love



Newly appointed Education Coordinator Leah McInnis shares her love of sport and history with students at L.E. Shaw Elementary School in Avonport, Hants County.

being able to give back to the community by showing the rich history we have in sport.”

Leah’s teacher training enables her to understand what her colleagues in the classroom need. “I know what other teachers are seeking,” she says. “I’m developing a curriculum so they can meet the outcomes sought by the provincial department of education.”

She understands sport and what its heroes mean to youngsters. “Our Hall of Famers, those who will appear with me in the classroom, and all the others, too, have inspiring stories to tell. They can talk about goal-setting, facing and overcoming challenges, being inspired by THEIR heroes, and talking about what they did to achieve higher levels.”

Leah also knows the sport stories are not just history lessons. Other education areas can be touched, such as geography (where the Hall of Famers come from), math (statistics), and English (writing and speaking assignments).

“And offering these programs free to the students, either in classroom or assembly settings, anywhere in the province, is a wonderful thing the Sport Hall of Fame is able to do.”

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Leah speaks with a stroke-recovery group about Sidney Crosby’s exploits during a presentation at the Hall of Fame.

Hall Features New Display of Uniforms



Top, from left:

Ricky Anderson's Boxing Robe

Between 1974 and 1986, Anderson had an amateur record of 85 wins and 12 losses and a professional record of 19 wins and 2 losses. He won numerous gold medals at Canadian and international events and, in 1986, for the 2nd time, he became Canadian Welterweight Champion.

Chris Flynn's Football Jersey, 1987-1990

This jersey was worn by Chris Flynn, when at Saint Mary's University. As a 2011 Canadian Football Hall of Fame inductee, Flynn is the first Canadian Interuniversity Sport player to be inducted into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame in over 50 years.

\$74,000,000 Harness Racing Outfit

Bill O'Donnell earned his living as a great harness racer. In 1991, when inducted to the Hall of Fame, he was close to 5,000 career wins and was second on the all-time money-winning list with almost \$74 million dollars in purse winnings.

Marie MacNeil Bowness' Figure Skating Dress

Marie McNeil (Bowness), with skating partner Robert McCall, won gold at the Senior Dance Championship of Canada and placed 12th in the World Championships in 1981.

Junior Mohawks Jacket

Thorburn Mohawks won three straight Provincial and Maritime championships between 1963 and 1965. The team won the Trenton Softball League Championship in 1964 and 1965, while competing against both intermediate and senior teams.

Bottom from left:

Rowing Suit, c. 1920s

The "J" stands for the Jubilee Amateur Aquatic Club. In 1930 the Jubilee Four-Oared Rowing Crew won a silver medal at the first-ever British Empire Games (now Commonwealth Games). The members of the crew were Jerry Calnan, Jim Flemming, Bart Bellow and Henry Pelham.

Royal Canadian Navy Basketball Jacket, 1941

During the World Wars, new sport rivalries were formed between the Army, Navy and Air Force. Sports were not only a leisure activity, but also an important way for soldiers to get to know each other better and improve their team skills.

Fisherman's Market Jersey

In only its second year of existence, the 1981 Fisherman's Market Midget Boys Fastball Team became the first midget boys' team from Nova Scotia to win a gold medal at a Canadian Fastball Championship.

Dalhousie Hockey Sweater, c. 1920s

In the past, hockey sweaters were once like any other sweater – thick and often made from wool. Today they are thin, lightweight, and made from polyester. Breathability and wind resistance are also factors in their design.

Curling Sweater of Champions

In March 1951, Nova Scotia's Glooscap Curling Club of Kentville won the MacDonald Brier Curling Championships in Halifax. They became the first team to be a perfect 10-0 at the MacDonald Brier. Members of the team were Don Oyler, George Hansen, Fred Dyke and Wally Knock.