



SASKATCHEWAN — SPORTS — HALL OF FAME

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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SCOTT WATERS



I am excited, honoured and humbled to have been elected President of the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame (SSHF). I will do my best to carry out my duties well, keeping in mind the many impressive and notable individuals who have held the position since the inception of the SSHF in 1966. I would be remiss in not specifically acknowledging my immediate predecessor, Trent Fraser, whose passion and energy will be difficult to match.

A little about myself...I am a lawyer from Saskatoon, practicing with the firm McDougall Gauley LLP. I have a beautiful wife, Carmen, and three children, who keep me very busy. I have been a member of the board of directors of the SSHF since 2006, and a member of the Executive Committee for several years. During this time the SSHF has undergone great transition and has seen many improvements, including the addition of several exciting new staff members as well as a re-branding and updated website and full immersion into the world of social media. It remains a priority to secure a more suitable location for the SSHF, which is necessary for ongoing success and sustainability. In the meantime, we are focusing on providing the best product we can with our current resources and have made vast improvements to the current location; wherever possible ensuring such improvements are transferable to a new location.

On June 13, 2015 the SSHF held its annual Induction Dinner at the Conexus Arts Centre, which was a great success and celebrated a diverse group of athletes, teams and builders. Many inductees, family and friends travelled great distances to attend the celebration, and they were treated to an excellent evening. I would like to specifically acknowledge Sheila Kelly, Executive Director, staff and volunteers, as well as the Induction Dinner committee who all worked tirelessly to ensure the success of the event.

I would like to formally welcome a new member to the board of directors, and also acknowledge and thank three long-serving members of the board. Joining the board is David Belof of Regina. We look forward to working with David and are particularly excited about the experience and perspective he will bring. I would also like to thank three board members who recently stepped down; Greg Indzeoski, Paul Spasoff and Steve Chisholm, who completed ten, eleven and four years of service, respectively. During their tenure they all contributed greatly to the SSHF, particularly with regard to the Induction celebrations, Sport History committee, and Communications committee.

We are looking forward to participating in the 3rd Annual Rider Alumni Tournament (Saskatoon) being held Wednesday, September 23rd at Dakota Dunes Golf Course located south of Saskatoon. We are also very excited for 2016, which will mark the 50th Anniversary of the SSHF; celebration plans are underway and will be revealed in due course.

On behalf of the SSHF board of directors I would like to wish you the best for the remainder of the summer and fall seasons. Please stay in touch and stay connected with the SSHF through our website at www.sasksportshalloffame.com, our Facebook page at SaskSportsHF, our Instagram at SaskSportsHF and on Twitter @SaskSportsHF.

July/August 2015

MESSAGE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHEILA KELLY

If you haven't been into the SSHF for a few months, things have changed. Not just in terms of exhibits and programming, which always change, but rather in how we are presenting our product and the opportunities that come with a visit here. Since 2015 began we have installed a multi-sport simulator that has become the focus of our curriculum-based education programming for grades 1-8, as well as a corner stone of our summer programming. Visitors to the SSHF have unlimited access to the simulator as part of their admission and, of course, SSHF members have unlimited access as part of their membership benefits. We have also installed 6 video monitors throughout the galleries that allow us to create multi-media presentations providing for expanded exhibit capabilities with our collection which our physical space doesn't allow for. Our current feature exhibits all benefit from this enhanced presentation format.

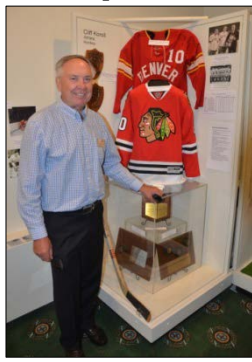


Chalk, Wheat and Diamonds: Saskatchewan 'Ball pays tribute to some of Saskatchewan's favourite summer sports - baseball, softball and fastball. The exhibit highlights: how these sports developed from the earliest days of Saskatchewan; the All American Girls Professional Baseball League; the all-important umpires; the SSHF inductees who have played the game; and in celebration of this summer's Pan-Am Games, a feature look at those inducted Saskatchewan athletes who have played a major role in Canada's national success in softball. *Chalk, Wheat and Diamonds* will remain on exhibit until September 11, 2015. For a sneak peak of the exhibit check out our website:

<http://sasksportshalloffame.com/exhibits/chalk-wheat-and-diamonds-saskatchewan-ball/>



Dedication to Sport: Our Newest Inductees was officially opened in conjunction with the 49th Induction celebrations on June 13. This exhibit features individual displays specific to each member of the Class of 2015 and shares with us personal insights into what they consider to be their most memorable experiences, top accomplishments, personal anecdotes, and reflections on how sport has affected their lives.



This exhibit will be on display until May 11, 2016. A virtual look at the exhibit can be found on our website:

<http://sasksportshalloffame.com/exhibits/dedication-to-sport-2015/>



On June 17 & 18 we had the opportunity to partner with the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame in welcoming to the province renowned historian, author and founding member of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, Phil S. Dixon, for his *Barnstorming Baseball on the Prairies Commemoration Tour*. During presentations in Saskatoon and Regina, Phil recounted a significant time in baseball history - that of the barnstorming tours of the Negro Baseball League into Western Canada in the 1930s & 1940s. As part of a 90-city North American tour, Phil is following the touring path of the Kansas City Monarchs and their legendary players including Jackie Robinson, Leroy Satchel Paige, Ernie Banks, and Wilbur "Bullet" Rogan. The presentations were well-received in both locations with audience members bringing forward their own experiences with members of the barnstormers.



July 1 brought some changes to the staffing of the SSHF as we said goodbye to our Online Coordinator, Tyler Daku, and welcomed Autumn McDowell into the newly created position of Communications Coordinator. Tyler joined our team in October 2012 with the mandate to increase our social media and website presence as part of our topline strategy. During his term we saw quite extraordinary growth in this regard, particularly with our website. Tyler, along with our web designers, Command Base, was a significant factor in our being the recipients of the 2014 ISHY Award from the International Sports Heritage Association for a website which was voted "Best in the Industry". Tyler has left big shoes to fill and we have no doubt that Autumn will rise to the challenge. The Board and staff unite in wishing Tyler all of the best in his future endeavours and welcoming Autumn to the team.

Photos: Sport Simulator, *Wheat, Chalk & Diamonds*, *Dedication to Sport* featuring (L-R) Dick White, Sharon Tkachuk, Cliff Koroll & Hritzuk Curling Team, and Phil Dixon & Rodney MacLean

SUMMER STAFF: JENNA CARPENTER-BOESCH & ZACH STARTUP

We are thrilled to welcome back to our summer staffing team, Jenna Carpenter-Boesch, now in her third year with the SSHF courtesy of funding support from the Human Resources and Skills Development Canada Summer Jobs program. New to the team is Zach Startup who is hired through financial support from the Young Canada Works In Heritage Institutions summer employment program. Jenna is working with Vickie to plan and implement our summer education and special event programming, while Zach is working closely with Brock in the area of collection management. The SSHF is most grateful for the funding support received through these grant programs created by the Government of Canada.

INTRODUCING AUTUMN McDOWELL, COMMUNICATIONS COORDINATOR



Hi everyone, my name is Autumn McDowell and I am the new Communications Coordinator for the SSHF. I thought I would take this opportunity to share a little bit about myself, which will serve as a virtual handshake for those of you that I have yet to meet.

For starters, over the past four years I was the sports editor for the student newspaper at the University of Regina, *The Carillon*. Throughout my time there I was lucky enough to be nationally published 19 times; including a stint in *Macleans Magazine*. I also covered the 101st Grey Cup and even reported on my first two NHL games in Winnipeg. If you can't already tell, I have a passion for sports and I am extremely excited to be continuing my journey in the sports industry with the SSHF. I look forward to all of the challenges that may come my way in this new position, and if anyone would still like to put a face to my name, I am always willing to chat!

I hope that you will choose to follow me and the news of the SSHF through our various communication channels: www.sasksportshalloffame.com, Facebook at SaskSportsHF, Instagram at SaskSportsHF and on Twitter @SaskSportsHF.

FAMILY FUN DAY – SATURDAY, AUGUST 22ND

Make plans to attend our Family Fun Day from 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 22. Activities will be hosted inside the SSHF, as well as in the parking lot west of the building. Among the planned events will be carnival games, a Party Time Dino Bouncer, crafts, door prizes, and a BBQ. Inside, the sport simulator will be available to all participants and there will be give aways from our sponsors Rochdale Dairy Queen Grill & Chill and Cabela's. \$5/person or \$10/family gives you access to all of the activities. Members of the SSHF are FREE!

SUMMER PROGRAMMING

Chalk, Wheat and Diamonds is serving as the basis for our summer education program, as well as the *Exploration Days for Kids* program, hosted in conjunction with Regina Downtown. If you need a way to entertain a group of kids (minimum 10 required) this summer you may wish to consider booking your group into our summer programming. Each session features a fun-filled tour of the SSHF, kid-friendly activities within the galleries, and then outdoor games in Victoria Park (weather permitting). Bookings will be accepted through August 28 and space is filling up fast! Give Vickie or Jenna a call at 306-780-9232 to book your spot! *I Love Regina Day* in partnership with the City of Regina and our upcoming *Family Fun Day* provide an opportunity for the whole family to get involved in SSHF programming.

INDUCTEE NOTES

Congratulations are extended to the following honoured members of the SSHF on their most recent accomplishments.

Don McDonald (Football 2009) was awarded the Saskatchewan Volunteer Medal on April 14.

Gerry James (Hockey 1994) is participating in the Canadian Sports Concussion Project in association with the Canadian Football League Alumni Association. This 20 week program is designed to study the effects of concussions suffered through involvement in sports on the brain.

The Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame will be honouring a number of past inductees on November 7, 2015, including **Donald Gallo** (Triathlon 2013), **Gord Barwell** (1966 Saskatchewan Roughriders – Football 1967); **Al Ledingham** (1958, 1959 & 1968 Saskatoon Hilltops – Football 1971) and the **1998 University of Saskatchewan Huskies Football Team** (Football 2013).

3RD ANNUAL SASKATOON AUTUMN GOLF CLASSIC – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

We are pleased to announce that the Saskatchewan Roughrider Alumni Association will be hosting its 3rd Annual Autumn Golf Classic with net proceeds once again being shared with the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame. Last year's event was a lot of fun and a great success but, of course, we are hoping for bigger and better things in 2015.

The Autumn Golf Classic will take place in Saskatoon on Wednesday, September 23 at Dakota Dunes. Registration and Lunch begin at 11 a.m. with a Shotgun Tee-Off starting at Noon.

Rider fans can golf with the likes of Terry Bulych, George Reed, Al Ford, Jim Hopson, Steve Mazurak, Dale West, Dan Rashovich, Roger Aldag, Greg Fieger, Preston Young, Carm Carteri, Cleveland Vann, Rob Bresciani, Quinn Magnuson and more....

Registrations are accepted as teams of three (\$900) or as individual entries (\$300). Your registration includes 18 holes of scramble golf with a power cart, Lunch, and post-tournament Reception and Dinner at the Dakota Dunes Casino. Each participant will also receive an exclusive limited edition commemorative tee gift. Registrations close September 15.

Full details specific to the tournament, sponsorship opportunities, and a registration form can be found on our website at www.sasksportshalloffame.com. Grab your friends and make a day of it!

To register please contact Jennifer in the Saskatchewan Roughrider Football Club office at 1-888-474-3377 or jennifers@saskriders.com.

INDUCTION 2015

Wasn't that a party! Induction 2015 was a great success thanks to our sponsors, the Class of 2015, our volunteers and the many past inductees who joined us for the celebrations. Events got underway with 170 individuals joining us Saturday afternoon at the SSHF for the Inductee Open House. This was an opportunity to grab a few autographs, check out the individual exhibits within *Dedication to Sport: Our Newest Inductees*, and visit with those about to enter the Hall of Fame.

Our formal induction celebrations were once again hosted at the Conexus Arts Centre as we recognized the contributions and achievements of the Class of 2015 comprising: Cliff Koroll (hockey), Milos Kostic (triathlon), Jason Parker (speed skating), Sharon Tkachuk (athletics), Richard "Dick" White (multi-sport), the 1985 Moose Jaw Generals AA Senior Men's Hockey Team and the 2009 Eugene Hritzuk World Senior Men's Curling Team. To each of the inductees we extend a heartfelt thank you for the privilege of working with you over the past few months. We certainly look forward to having you as part of the Hall of Fame family.

Thanks are also extended to our Master of Ceremonies, Warren Woods, and to all of our sponsors who helped to ensure that the induction events were a great success.

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Thank you to everyone who helped to make the 49th Annual Induction Weekend a success. We look forward to a year's worth of celebration in 2016 as we reach the big 50!



Photos(L-R): The 1985 Moose Jaw Generals Hockey Team & Cliff Koroll; Gene Bauck & Kevin Moore with President, Trent Fraser



Photos (L-R from top): President, Trent Fraser, and Simon Kostic unveiling Milos Kostic's portrait; Trent Fraser, Eugene Hritzuk, Kevin Kalthoff Verne Anderson & Dave Folk; Trent Fraser & Sharon Tkachuk; Trent Fraser & Dick White; Trent Fraser & Cliff Koroll; Trent Fraser & Jason Parker; Cliff Koroll responding on behalf of the inductees with members of the Moose Jaw Generals Hockey Club looking on.

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Photo: (Front Row L-R) Donald Gallo, Rankin Jaworski, Trent Fraser, Scott Waters, Nathan Morrison, (Back Row L-R) David Belof, Laurel Garven, Justin Scott, Vance McNab, (Missing) Linda Burnham & Hugh Vassos

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10:00 am - 4:30 pm
Noon – 5:00 pm
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The SSHF is closed on statutory holidays.

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