



SASKATCHEWAN — SPORTS — HALL OF FAME

FOR THE RECORD

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT SCOTT WATERS & EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHEILA KELLY



With summer behind us the SSHF is embarking on what will be a very busy fall and winter season as we move into our 50th year of operations. An immediate change for us was the elimination of “summer” and “winter” hours of operation. Normally, with the passing of Labour Day, we would close on weekends for the winter. However, for the present time (for sure until the end of the calendar year) we are testing our members’ and the public’s interest in our being open on Saturdays from noon-5 p.m., just as we have been open all summer. With at least one special event planned in each month, there is always a reason to be coming back for another visit. And, with the waning of the outdoor golf season, don’t forget that you can keep your skills up in our multi-sport simulator. Members get free unlimited usage on a first come basis; however, it is a good idea to call ahead to ensure that we don’t have education tours pre-booked into the facility. Those kids don’t like to wait!

Setting the stage for the caliber of events that are to come was the 3rd Annual Saskatchewan Roughrider Alumni Autumn Golf Classic hosted on September 23 in Saskatoon. We are delighted to celebrate this continuing partnership with the Alumni as we work together to combine camaraderie and fun with the need to raise much needed funds for Saskatchewan’s sport heritage and other Alumni funding priorities.

You will have noticed that October 1 passed by this year without our usual call for inductee nominations and a lot of media attention to the fact that the submission deadline was looming. In anticipation of 2016, when we will spend the year celebrating our 50th Anniversary, the board has decided that we should focus those celebrations on the 505 inductees that we currently have. As a result there will be no new Class of 2016 inducted next June. We will take a pass until 2017 when we look forward to celebrating a brand new Class of inductees to launch us into our next half century of operations. In the meantime, we will continue to actively solicit and accept new nominations for evaluation in advance of the October 1, 2016, nomination deadline.



Among the priorities of the upcoming 50th Anniversary celebrations will be to actively engage our provincial mandate and develop new partnerships through special events and exhibit opportunities. The first of these events will start this month with our President’s Reception in Saskatoon on October 24 at The Willows Golf & Country Club. Those of you residing in the Saskatoon and district area should already have received your invitation (by email or via Canada Post) to this event. Please contact us immediately if you have not yet had an opportunity to RSVP. For those of you residing in Regina and district we will be hosting a President’s Reception at the SSHF on Saturday, November 21. Invitations to this event will be distributed shortly via email and Canada Post. Watch for yours! These Receptions are always a great opportunity to renew friendships, catch up on the most recent SSHF activities and learn a bit about what’s ahead. We hope to see you there!

Other events that are currently slotted into the calendar include our Halloween Birthday Party on October 31. Did you know that the SSHF was launched as the Molson Sports Hall of Fame on October 31, 1966? A week later the Saskatchewan Roughriders won their first Grey Cup. What a great week for Saskatchewan sport! November will see our sport simulator fired up for some serious competition as we host a series of participant challenges sponsored by Boston Pizza Regina & Emerald Park, culminating in “The Finals” on Friday, November 20 (National Jersey Day), and Saturday, November 21, which is RBC Sport Day in Canada.

October/November 2015

The decision to feature minor hockey in Saskatchewan as the theme of our fall exhibit proved to be fortuitous. It appears that the Regina Symphony Orchestra (RSO) also has hockey on their mind and a new partnership was born. On December 6 we will be throwing open the doors (hopefully not all at the same time!) to 900 ticket holders of the RSO's Kids Concert Series presentation of "The Hockey Sweater". An afternoon of pre-concert activities are planned to inspire creativity and fun! Don't have kids or tickets to the concert? No problem. We are open Monday-Friday from 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m. and Saturday noon-5 p.m. Stop by anytime and check out *Breakaway with Minor Hockey* at your convenience.

This is just a taste of things to come. We look forward to unveiling a year's worth of activities in the weeks ahead. Make plans for a visit! It's been 50 years in the making. We can't wait to welcome everyone to the party!

OUR COLLECTION IS GROWING

Attention all inductees, families of inductees, sports memorabilia collectors and more, we need your help!

At the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame our goal is to collect, record, preserve and interpret our province's phenomenal sports history. However, in order to achieve our goal, we often need to attain items that may currently be stored in basements, garages or attics and give them new life.

Whether your collection is big or small, before you pack up your old sports related items and send them away for donation or worse yet, to the dumpster, please think of us first! We will never say no to viewing your items and will always consider new additions to our collection.

To give us the chance to preserve your sports history, please call. 306-780-9232.

Photos: Top – Even though he currently lives in the United States, Donald Gerhardt, a member of the 1966 Grey Cup winning Saskatchewan Roughriders, thought of us and donated his collection to the SSHF (Photo courtesy of the SSHF Archives). Bottom – A glimpse of Hans Nickel's 2000-piece collection, graciously donated to us in 2012.



INDUCTEE NOTES

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

Gene Makowsky (2007 Saskatchewan Roughriders – Football 2012) was inducted into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame on August 20, 2015. Makowsky spent 17 seasons in the CFL, all of them with the Saskatchewan Roughriders. After finally earning himself a Grey Cup ring in 2007, Makowsky retired from the game in 2010 and is currently an MLA for the Saskatchewan Party.

Scott Schultz (2007 Saskatchewan Roughriders – Football 2012) was inducted into the Plaza of Honor on September 25, 2015. On October 2, 2015, it was also announced that Schultz would be a member of the first-ever induction class for the Moose Jaw & District Sports Hall of Fame. Schultz hoisted the Grey Cup as a member of the Saskatchewan Roughriders in 2007. Upon his retirement from the field in 2009, Schultz became the president of a successful insurance company, Schultz Gareau Insurance Ltd.

Tim McCray (1989 Saskatchewan Roughriders – Football 1995) was inducted, alongside Schultz, to the Plaza of Honor on September 25, 2015. Most Roughrider fans will remember the star running back for his ability to dominate in all aspects of his position. When the team was in need, "Give it to McCray the rest of the way!" could always be heard chanted from the stands.



Mary "Bonnie" Baker (Baseball, Softball – 1985) was honoured with a very special ceremony in Central Park, Regina on August 8, 2015. A commemorative garden and mural have been placed in the park where Baker would frequently play her favourite game, with the hope that she will be remembered for years to come.

For more information on Baker, visit her inductee page: <http://sasksportshalloffame.com/inductees/mary-baker/>

Photos: Moose Jaw artist Carly Jaye Smith was commissioned to create this 8-sided commemorative mural.

3rd ANNUAL RIDER ALUMNI AUTUMN GOLF CLASSIC IN SASKATOON



For the third consecutive year, we had the pleasure of partnering with the Saskatchewan Roughriders Alumni Association for the third Annual Autumn Golf Classic in Saskatoon. The beautiful scenery of the Dakota Dunes Golf Course quickly became the backdrop for a very successful day on and off of the fairway.

Over 120 golfers, including multiple Roughrider Alumni and Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame inductees, took in the festivities on a beautiful – but windy – September day. All golfers enjoyed an 18-hole golf course, a fantastic meal and a wonderful reception where many lucky winners took home silent auction items and limited edition collectables.

Everyone at the SSHF would like to extend a sincere thank you to our participating inductees and board members, as well as all of the golfers and corporate sponsors who chose to

support this event so strongly once again. We would also like to thank the many volunteers who worked in support of this tournament both on and off the course. This event would not have been the success it was without you!



Photos: Left – Legendary Saskatchewan Roughrider George Reed (Photo courtesy of Autumn McDowell). Top Right – ICR Team featuring inductees Eugene Hritzuk, Verne Anderson, Dave Folk and Alumni Paul Hickie (Photo courtesy of Kristen Magnuson). Bottom Right – SSHF Team featuring inductees Don Gallo, Shirley Kowalski, Linda Burnham and Bernie Yuzdepski (Photo courtesy of Kristen Magnuson).

NEW EXHIBIT NOW OPEN: *Breakaway with Minor Hockey*

Our newest exhibit is officially open to the public! “Breakaway with Minor Hockey” is a tribute to the history of minor hockey leagues throughout Saskatchewan.



Come to the hall during our regular gallery hours to marvel at 1940s hockey equipment, Memorial Cup collectables and jersey's galore! With everything from the Prairie Junior Hockey League, to the Western Hockey League, World Juniors and much more, hockey fans are sure to love this exhibit.

This exhibit will remain on the ice until January 15, 2016. For more information on this exhibit, visit our website:

<http://sasksportshalloffame.com/exhibits/breakaway-with-minor-hockey/>



UPCOMING EVENTS

October 31 – Halloween Birthday Party 1-3 pm: In honor of celebrating our 49th birthday in 2015, we will be having a combined Birthday and Halloween party on Saturday afternoon. With plans for a costume contest, trick-or-treating, scavenger hunt, prizes, refreshments and much more, this has the makings of a very special event.

November 21 – Sport Day in Canada 1-3 pm: Join us in the Hall for an afternoon of games, prizes and celebrations! Everyone is also invited to take part in our simulator challenge in the weeks leading up to this event for a chance to win big prizes! Special thanks to our sponsors, Boston Pizza in Regina and Emerald Park for helping us with this event.

December 6 – Kids Concert Series 1:30-3 pm: The SSHF Fame is very excited to officially announce our partnership with the Regina Symphony Orchestra for their production of “The Hockey Sweater”. Join us in the Hall for pre-concert games and activities before this stunning performance at the Knox Metropolitan Church.

THE HOCKEY SWEATER

December 6, 2015 - 3 pm
Knox Metropolitan United Church

Mayor Michael Fougere, Special Appearance
Costa Maragos, Host
Warren Woods, Narrator

Premiering in Regina after rave reviews in Toronto and Calgary, this delightful new orchestral work is based on the Hockey Sweater, Roch Carrier's iconic book!

Pre-Concert Activities 1:30 pm

ADULT \$25.00
CHILD \$5.00

The Hockey Sweater
December 6, 2015 - 3 pm
Knox Metropolitan United Church

A Duck in New York City
May 1, 2016 - 3 pm
Knox Metropolitan United Church

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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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