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A Message from the 2021/22 Selection Committee

Established in 2010, the North Grenville Sports Hall of Fame has honoured the history of sport in our community through the recognition of those individuals who have achieved athletic success and made significant contributions to competitive sport.

To our generous sponsors, we offer our gratitude. To the Municipality of North Grenville, we extend our appreciation for your continued support. To our 2021-2022 inductees, we say thank you for your contributions and congratulate you on your sport successes.

Congratulations 2021-2022 Inductees



Induction Ceremony

- 5:30 pm *Inductee Photos*
- 6:00 pm *Cocktails - Meet and Greet*
- 7:15 pm *Greetings from Dignitaries*
Induction Ceremony
Closing Remarks

David McFadden - Builder

David “Coachey” McFadden began coaching hockey in his 20s, during the 1974-’75 season as an assistant coach with the Kemptville Royals Midget A hockey team. “The Big Cat” ended his career as head coach with the Kemptville 73’s Junior B hockey team in 2005-’06. Over those three decades he was always coaching, sometimes 2 to 3 teams a year. He often coached minor hockey, Junior B and College Varsity all in the same year, which was quite a challenge as he was also raising a family and working as Director of St. Lawrence College, Brockville Campus.

During the summer, he did not slow down. While coaching boys’ fastball in Kemptville, Dave also managed the Mid-Way Mustangs Summer Hockey Program, and the Ontario Hitman Summer Hockey Program, incorporating competitive summer playing and an on- and off-ice conditioning camp prior to the regular fall hockey season.

The list of teams Dave McFadden coached during his 32-year career include:

- Kemptville Developmental
- Kemptville Atom Rep
- Rideau St. Lawrence Kings
- Kemptville 73’s Junior B
- Brockville Tikis Junior B
- South Grenville Rangers Jr. B
- Nepean Raiders Junior A
- Smiths Falls Rideaus Sr. A
- Lanark Flyers Senior A
- Cardinal Red Wings Senior A
- St. Lawrence College Schooners Varsity Men’s Hockey

Over the years he coached teams to be league champions:

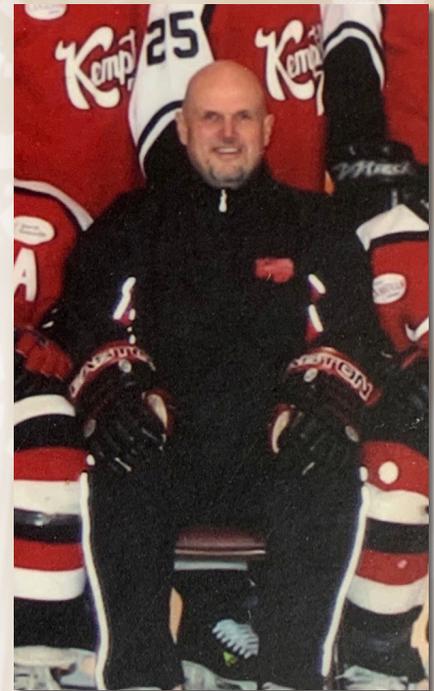
- Rideau St. Lawrence Kings Major Atoms & Minor Pee Wees
- Kemptville 73’s Junior B’s (won several divisional championships and the league championship)
- Cardinal Red Wings (won the Eastern Ontario Senior A league championship)
- St. Lawrence College Schooners varsity team (Provincial championship x2)
- Championship teams at AA, AAA, Junior B, Senior AA
- Provincial OCAA College Champions

David has coached approximately 2500 hockey games and emerged with a winning percentage.

Awards and recognition include:

- 1st team All Star Coach award 4 times in Junior B
- OCAA College Coach of the Year
- AA Rideau St. Lawrence Kings Coach of the Year 3 times

David’s leadership skills brought the teams he coached to their best potential while maintaining good sportsmanship. With an eye on the competition, he focused on skills development for his players. David was and still is devoted and dedicated to the sport of hockey. He will often be found at the rink watching games and volunteering his time for player scouting and assisting coaches with their questions and strategies. He has a lifelong passion for the game and the people involved.



In his 32 years of coaching David has made many lasting memories and friendships from the game. He coached the Kemptville 73’s through four decades - the 70’s, 80’s, 90’s and 2000’s - and along the way he coached the children of some of his former players.

Although there were many highlights over his time coaching the 73’s, most notably would have been the 1998-’99 season, when they won the Eastern Ontario Junior B Championship. The team was inducted into the Kemptville and District Sports Hall of Fame in 2016.

Dave’s outgoing personality has allowed him to maintain lifelong friendships with countless former players and coaches. This is a testament to the type of person he is, and the bond he formed with those he coached.

Patrick McNeely - Athlete

The Ironman slogan is “anything is possible.” Pat McNeely has taken that message to heart and tested his own athletic limits multiple times.

Patrick McNeely found his place on the world stage in the Hawaii Ironman event in 1998. Close to 100,000 athletes from around the world chase 2,000 spots each year in this long-distance triathlon, so it's pretty stiff competition. Pat managed to qualify at a race in Muskoka, placing 2nd in his age group and earning himself a spot. The Ironman Triathlon is a 4k swim, 180k bike and 42k run. Athletes have 17 hours to complete starting at 7am and ending at midnight. Pat did 1 hour, 10 minutes for the swim, 6 hours on the bike and a 4-hour marathon in the hottest part of the day. He finished #634 out of 2000.

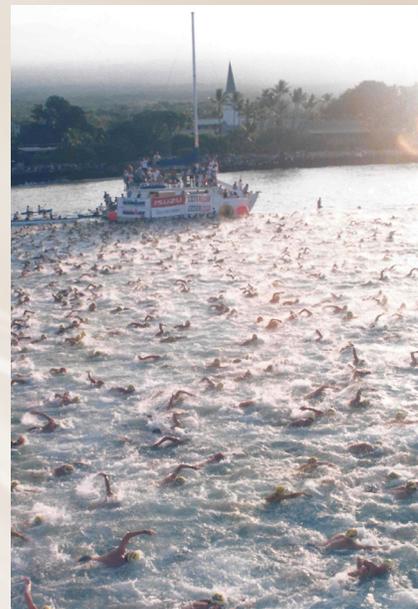
Each Ironman competitor tries to find a course that suits them best. For Pat, the more hills, the better. The National Ironman championship sends about 10 people per age group to the World championships. In 1997, Pat finished 2nd on a very tough course in Gatineau Park that sent him to Spain. He was suffering with a stress fracture but went on to race anyway, feeling that it was his year. He ended up finishing 27th.

Over his career, Pat finished 6 Ironman competitions and more than 20 marathons. He achieved many top 10 finishes in Ontario, Quebec and the U.S. For the Duathlon World Championships



(10k run, 40k bike, 5k run), he placed 29th (1995 Mexico), 23rd (1996 Italy) and 27th (1997 Spain). He was also Captain of the Canadian Duathlon Team in 1996.

While training 10 to 25 hours per week in his sport, Pat was also running his own business as a blacksmith. Now 20 years later, he still loves to work training into his weekly schedule, along with coaching hockey and soccer.



Bob Schrader - Builder

Coach Bob Schrader has led numerous Local, Provincial, and International athletes to levels of success they previously had only dreamed of. His keen eye and insight helped to improve his athletes and the game overall.

Much of Bob's coaching activity surrounded wheelchair track and field sport, where he led athletes to attain world records as well as world Paralympic medals. Bob wrote training plans for his athletes and attended each training session, 6 days per week. His belief in his athletes built their confidence and taught them to believe in themselves and to pursue their full potential. In 1998 he started the largest track team with varied abilities in Ontario. Bob shared his insight into the optimal positioning of an athlete's hands on the wheelchair rims with coaches and their competitors around the world, earning him great respect as a peer and leader.

The other area of interest for Coach Bob was in hockey in Leeds Grenville. He focused on things that others seemed unaware of, including ensuring that goalies were given as much attention as other players. When he started coaching hockey in Kemptville and beyond he tried to make his practices work not only for the players but also for the goalies, bringing them into the play and teaching where their focus should be - not just in the net, expected to stop everything shot at them - but on all of the play.

Bob coached the Kemptville Panthers, the Kings and the summer team that he put together, the AAA Kemptville Wild.

Bob's summer goalie camps were extremely popular amongst Kemptville goalies and into Ottawa West. They ran for eight years and were not always easy to organize as the camp required a number of volunteers to help every Sunday. From this camp there were a number of goalies that wanted one-on-one coaching. Bob rented ice in Kemptville early mornings before school started as well as after school in order to make that extra coaching available to them.

Bob gave 36 years to wheelchair sport and 15 years to hockey, sacrificing his time and efforts to lead athletes to the top of their game. He sat on the Executive Board for many of the organizations he was involved including the Kemptville District Minor Hockey Association, the Kings, Ottawa Lions, Ontario CP Association, Canadian CP Association, Ontario Wheelchair Association, Canadian Wheelchair Association and the International Paralympic



Association.

Awards over the years include the Builders Award, CP Sport Association of Ontario; Coach of the Year from the Ontario Wheelchair Sport Association; and years of recognition for his coaching at the international level with the Ottawa Lions, as well as the 3M Coaching Award (1996, 2000 and 2004).

From his start at a local level coaching wheelchair sport, leading to his attaining Level III Coaching status, Bob Schrader was able to finally end his career as an International coach with the respect of many around the world.



1990 Kemptville Peewee Royals - Team



“We were young enough to have fun but we still had a strong work ethic. The defence and the pitching were incredible that year. Darren and Collins hit them over the fence. Darren had that amazing no-hitter. Mr. Hay was all over the field with a cannon arm.” Winning the All-Ontario Peewee “B” Tournament is still fresh on the minds of the Royals, 30 years later.

It was a season most teams dream about, starting with a coach telling them they have what it takes to go all the way. Players start imagining home runs and strike outs that will bring them to a championship.

In 1990 the Kemptville Royals won the Belleville tournament and the Ottawa Valley Peewee League, but lost in the playoff finals. They won the A

championship in the Stittsville and Amherstview tournaments, and made the finals in Orleans (but lost to their arch rivals, the home team). And then on that fateful weekend, the Kemptville Peewee Royals made their dreams come true. They went undefeated in the All-Ontario Peewee “B” Tournament to become only the fifth Kemptville team to be crowned provincial champions.

Organized by the local Lions club, the Ontario Amateur Softball Association Tournament attracted teams from Orangeville, Dunnville, Simcoe, Cobourg, Pittsburgh Township, Stittsville and Aurora to Kemptville. The two-day tournament at Riverside Park was blessed with ideal weather and field conditions. In the opening round, Kemptville beat Pittsburgh Township.

It was a hard-fought win, with the Royals trailing 5-4 after 5 innings against their determined opponents. However, three runs in the sixth gave the Royals the victory. In the second round, Kemptville overpowered Aurora 15-0. On the second day of the tournament Kemptville remained undefeated with a narrow 6-5 win over Simcoe. Finally Simcoe defeated Orangeville and the scene was set for a showdown between the two strongest teams in the tournament: Simcoe and Kemptville.

Kemptville & Simcoe battled it out. In the final game, in the bottom of the seventh, with Kemptville leading 11-4, Simcoe did manage to score three runs to make the score 11-7, but a ground ball to second base ended their threat and gave the Royals the provincial championship.

Although no individual stars are officially selected at Peewee tournaments, convenor Keith Forbes identified three players from the two final teams, including Kemptville’s pitcher Darren Robinson and second baseman Michael Craig. But 30 years later, the players agree, it was all about TEAM. Everyone was equal in talent and commitment, willing to lift each other up to the best they could be.



1990 Kemptville Pee Wee Royals Team Roster:

Darren Cassidy
Kevin Collins
Mike Craig
Karl Forbes
Scott Graham
Jeff Hay
Brent Hodges
Eric Jansen
Shawn King
Darren Robinson
Steve Streight
Chris Summers

Team Management

Brian Higgins
Alan Forbes

Scorekeeper

Nancy Robinson

2022 Athlete of the Year Logan Henry



Logan Henry is twenty-two years old and he has accomplished what most golfers do not see playing the game for years. This past year for him was a remarkable year in his chosen sport of golf.

In 2022, Logan won the eQuinelle Golf Club Championship. This was his first year winning the Club Championship after several years of finishing runner up to his brother, Owen. He set

the club record with a three round total of eight under par (72-68-68).

He has also been an integral part of the Club's Intersectional Team that competes against other golf clubs in Eastern Ontario and Western Quebec. As a young man, he competes against the other clubs top-notch players that are much older and more experienced. This year Logan helped eQuinelle move up the ladder in the inter-club competition. He has been a big part of the golf club's team for several years.

Both he and his brother Owen can be seen enjoying the game at eQuinelle where both boys began playing at a young age.

The sportsmanship, kindness, and fair play that he displays does not go unnoticed at his club or when he represents at other golf courses. He is humble and generously plays with all golfers as he strives to perfect his game.

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