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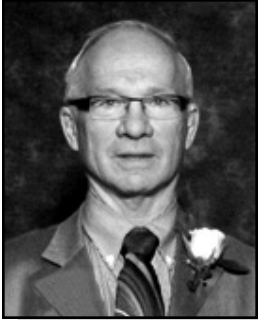
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In keeping with its  
 “Dedication to the Development  
 and Encouragement of Athletic Endeavour”,  
 the Calgary Booster Club  
 takes great pride in recognizing this year’s  
 Founding Members, Past Sportsmen of the Year, Athletic Leaders,  
 Calgary’s Athletes of the Year,  
 and the 61st Sportsman of the Year

**Ken Bracko**



# Don Phelps



Thank you for attending the Calgary Booster Clubs 61st Sportsman of the Year Dinner. The Booster Club is proud to annually take this opportunity to recognize outstanding athletes, committed volunteers, and a special individual who has dedicated decades of service to amateur sports in Calgary.

The outstanding male and female athletes are wonderful representatives of the Calgary sports scene at the amateur or professional level.

The professionals have been great ambassadors for the Calgary Stampeders Football Club, the Calgary Flames and the city of Calgary. Likewise the amateur athletes have been the very best at their respective sport with some achieving Olympic gold.

This year the Calgary Booster Club is very pleased to add the "The Calgary Booster Club Special Olympics Athlete" award. This award is to be given annually to a special Olympian who has excelled in their respective sports.

The HALs (honoured athletic leaders) are a very small representative of the thousands of coaches, administrators and volunteers who work tirelessly at their respective sports with little or no recognition. They are the same people that flood the rink at night, drive the kids to practice, fund-raise, coach and mentor our children. They are the heart and soul of amateur sport in Calgary.

The "Calgary Booster Club sportsman of the Year" joins an impressive list of long time volunteers who put new meaning to the word commitment. They have contributed decades of service to their respective sport and sacrificed a great deal of their personal lives to the betterment of amateur athletics. These individuals are outstanding role models to everyone involved in sports.

Without your generosity and attendance here tonight these people would never be recognized. You have chosen to honor these individuals for the contribution they have made and the Calgary Booster Club thanks you for doing so.



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and to all the  
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## **A MESSAGE FROM MAYOR NAHEED NENSHI**

On behalf of my City Council colleagues and the citizens of Calgary, it is my privilege to welcome all of you to the 61st Annual Sportsman of the Year Gala hosted by the Calgary Booster Club.

The Calgary Booster Club has made an excellent choice in honouring Ken Bracko as Sportsman of the Year. For as long as anyone can remember, Mr. Bracko has been encouraging young hockey players in Calgary to take part in our great national pastime. For Mr. Bracko, this devotion to amateur sport has been about much more than coaching kids to make it to the big leagues; it has been about instilling values and life skills that last long after a player has hung up the skates. It is hard to imagine the state of minor and junior hockey – such important aspects of sporting life in our city – without him.

In addition to the Sportsman of the Year, the Calgary Booster Club is honouring a Male, Female and Special Olympics Athlete of the Year. As they have pursued and achieved excellence in their sport, Jon Cornish, Kaillie Humphreys and Jennifer Riddell have been exceptional ambassadors for our city, and we are proud to count them among our own.

The seven Honoured Athletic Leaders being recognized tonight have contributed to our community through sport in a variety of ways, and their legacy is sure to be felt for years to come.

We are fortunate that Calgary and its citizens will continue to benefit from the knowledge and expertise of all of tonight's Honourees. Thank you to the Calgary Booster Club for recognizing all of these individuals for their achievements.

Sincerely,

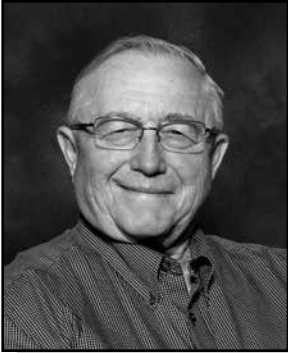
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**2014 SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR*****Ken Bracko***

A Calgary Booster Club Honoured Athletic Leader in 1991, Ken Bracko has been an ardent builder and supporter of Baseball, Hockey and Soccer in Calgary for over 40 years. He has coached all three sports and has given generously of his time and money towards the betterment of minor sports and the success of youth athletes. He has had an unparalleled volunteer career of sports administration with the Northeast Athletic Association and the Calgary Junior A Canucks, serving as Director, Vice President and President with both organizations.

Ken was the driving force in establishing the "SAM League", the Southern Alberta Major Midget League, one of the finest AAA midget hockey leagues in Canada. He was also one of the original founders of the annual, world recognized, Mac's Midget Christmas Hockey Tournament.

In addition, Ken is an active fund raiser who has raised millions of dollars to fund the operation of the Calgary Junior A Canucks. He is the principal reason that this hockey club has survived and is still operating.

Ken has always been the volunteer who will do anything that is needed and has been recognized many times by the Northeast Athletic Association and the Calgary Canucks for his contribution to minor hockey.

The Calgary Booster Club Sportsman of the Year Award is meant to recognize those who have been active, long term sport volunteers having a significant impact on both their sports' growth and profile as well as on the athletes who participate. It is difficult to think of anyone who more embodies these attributes than Ken Bracko. The Calgary Booster Club is very pleased to recognize this outstanding Sportsman of the Year for 2014.

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**PAST SPORTSMEN OF THE YEAR****CALGARY BOOSTER CLUB*****61 Years of Tradition***

2012  
Tony Spoletini



2013  
Carol Kyle



2011  
Bob Vickers



2010  
Frank Sisson



2009  
Wilf Kaiser



2008  
Alf Fischer



2007  
Doug Mitchell



2006  
Jim Holden



2005  
Russ Parker



2004  
Stan Schwartz

# PAST SPORTSMEN OF THE YEAR

CALGARY BOOSTER CLUB

*61 Years of Tradition*



2003  
Frank King



2002  
Jim Courchesne



2001  
John Semkuley



2000  
Eldon Godfrey



1999  
Bill Warren



1998  
Donald Phelps



1997  
Tom Humphrey\*



1996  
Ted Rhodes



1995  
Joe Shea



1994  
Margaret Scott



1993  
Murray Copot\*



1992  
Tony Anselmo\*



1991  
Bill Salt



1990  
Dorothy Read\*



1989  
Ted Banks\*



1988  
Keith Evans



1987  
Doug Rooke



1986  
Marg & Ron Southern



1985  
George Blundin\*



1984  
Jim (Deak) Cassidy



1983  
Keith Kendal



1982  
Bob MacNichol\*



1981  
Stan Jaycock



1980  
Ray Kingsmith\*



1979  
Bill Phillips\*



# PAST SPORTSMEN OF THE YEAR

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*61 Years of Tradition*



1978  
Harry Maubert\*



1977  
Dr. Lou Goodwin\*



1976  
Henry Viney\*



1975  
Arthur "Scotty" Kay\*



1974  
Tom Cheney\*



1973  
John Mayell\*



1972  
Jack Setters\*



1971  
Charlie Scott\*



1970  
Dr. Ward Steckle\*



1969  
Doug Kyle



1968  
Les Ferguson\*



1967  
Ed Corbett\*



1966  
Bob Freeze\*



1965  
Stu Peppard\*



1964  
Jack Bannerman\*



1963  
Jerry Trudel\*



1962  
Jimmy Condon\*



1961  
Harold Brandreth\*



1960  
Frank Woodman\*



1959  
Pete Egan\*



1958  
Art Davis



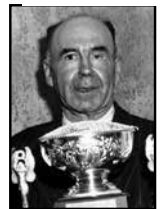
1957  
Lloyd Turner\*



1956  
Father Jim Whelihan\*



1955  
Rose Kohn\*



1954  
Eugene "Musty" McGill\*

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**Masters of Ceremonies**

## *Grant Pollock & Angela Kokott*

Grant has been working as a sports anchor and reporter in Calgary at Global, which was formerly Channels 2&7 when he was hired back in 1983. He achieved his career goal of being a part of the TV crew doing NHL games. He has never had more fun in TV than the 9 years doing Sports @ 11, but the biggest enjoyment in his 35 years of TV in both Calgary and Barrie, Ontario and still today, is covering amateur sports.

Angela started her broadcasting career over 30 years ago in radio in Nanaimo. She moved to Calgary in the early 80's working for CBC TV, QR Radio and then Global Television. Angela has been a news reporter and co-host of Global TV's Morning News. Today she is the afternoon host of Calgary Today on Newstalk 770.

Grant and Angela have been together since 1994, they have two children, both living in Toronto.

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**GUEST SPEAKER**

## *Kent Hehr*



Student Kent Hehr, 21 left hockey practice with some of his fellow Mount Royal College Cougars. A year or so previous, he played with the Calgary Canucks, a team that clinched the Alberta Junior Hockey League championship title - the prized Carling O'Keefe Trophy. That night's practice was not unusual in any way. As Kent and his buddies made their way home however, Kent became a victim of a drive-by shooting, leaving him quadriplegic at the C5 level. Hehr says "It was one of those random acts of violence that shouldn't have happened, but nevertheless it did, and life goes on." That was October 1991.

Fast forward to 2014. Kent is the two-term provincial Member of the Legislative Assembly for Calgary Buffalo. A well-known personality in Calgary, he was named one of the "20 most compelling Calgarians to watch" in 2008 by the Calgary Herald, one of the "Top 40 under 40"

by Calgary Inc. Magazine in 2006; and was named "Graduate of the Last Decade" by the University of Calgary Alumni Association in 2005. He has been a member of the Downtown Rotary Club since 2009.

Before entering politics, Kent was a lawyer at the national law firm of Fraser Milner Casgrain. He built his reputation as a community leader through public service with a wide variety of organizations including the Downtown West Community Association, the United Way of Calgary, the Canadian Paraplegic Association (Alberta), and the City of Calgary's Advisory Committee on Accessibility.

As the critic for Treasury Board and Finance, Kent believes that if Alberta's future is going to be as bright as it's past, we need to look at the current fiscal structure and ask if it can be sustainable in the long term. In the Legislature, Kent also focuses his efforts on assuring that all students have the opportunity to reach his or her full potential through a vibrant education system. Kent is passionate about the roles he has taken on which includes being the critic for Education, Energy, Enterprise and Advanced Education, Treasury Board and Finance, Jobs, Skills, Training and Labour, and International and Intergovernmental Relations for the Alberta Liberal Caucus.

Kent lives in downtown Calgary and enjoys spending time with his nephews Parker, Marshall and Jackson, and his niece Charlotte.

Kent is a man who has learned to take life as it comes, and does so with humour, grace and deep conviction.



# Congratulations

Sportsman of the Year, Ken Bracko,  
Honourary Athletic Leaders and  
2013 Athletes of the Year, Jon  
Cornish, Kaillie Humphries  
& Jennifer Riddell.

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### Ken Bracko

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Jon Cornish, Jennifer Riddell  
the 2014 Honoured Athletic Leaders

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Since 1985, Parks Foundation Calgary has created opportunities to improve the quality of life of Calgarians. PFC has the ability to bring together diverse agencies to enhance Calgary's parks, river valleys and amateur sports.

Parks Foundation Calgary has proudly awarded more than \$9 million towards the development of amateur sports through our Amateur Sport Grant Program - a partnership between the Calgary Flames, Saddledome Foundation, and PFC.

Our long-standing partnership with The Calgary Booster Club enables us to further support amateur sport and we are so proud of all this year's honoured athletes.




## **BRENT ALLARDYCE - Baseball**



Brent Allardyce has been a volunteer in the Calgary sport scene for half a century, starting with coaching hockey in the 60's and football in the 70's. In the 80's, he began his long involvement in baseball by coaching Little League. Between the three sports, Brent has coached almost 70 teams, at all levels of competition. He is still active as a football coach where he continues to coach high school football at William Aberhart High School, serving as the defensive coordinator. Brent has been a volunteer administrator and advocate for amateur sport and athletes in Calgary, serving on numerous boards and committees. Brent was the driving force behind the development of the baseball and fastball clubs at the University of Calgary. The U of C clubs allow Calgary and area baseball and fastball players the opportunity to continue playing their sport and pursuing a University education. For the past ten years, he has served as the President of the Board of Directors of the Calgary Collegiate Baseball and Fastball Society which operates the men's and women's program. The program aspires to increase the profile of baseball and fastball in the City of Calgary through coaching and skill clinics and hosts an annual fund-raising dinner which brings baseball celebrities to the City. A philanthropist, Brent has generously created an endowment fund for athletics and engineering students at the University of Calgary. Most recently, Brent has been active advocating for the enhancement and development of multi-sport athletic facilities in the City of Calgary. The Calgary Booster Club is very pleased to include Brent Allardyce on its list of 2014 Honoured Athletic Leaders.



## **MELODY DAVIDSON - Hockey**

Melody Davidson has been the face of Women's Hockey, not just in Alberta, but throughout the world. She is the General Manager of the 2014 Canadian Women's Olympic Hockey team in Sochi and was the Head Coach of the Canadian Women's National Hockey Team that won 10 championships including gold medals at the 2010 and 2006 Olympics – the only Head Coach in Canada to win back to back gold medals at the Olympic Games.

On a volunteer basis, Melody is the International Ice Hockey Federation Coach Mentor Coordinator for the Ambassador and Mentor Program, has been a board member Alberta Sport Council and was a volunteer coach with the Northeast

Athletic Association.

Melody is a NCCP Level 4 Hockey coach and has certification in swimming, basketball, volleyball, softball and baseball as well. From 2006-2011, she was an Assistant Coach with the Calgary Junior A Canucks, the only woman to ever hold this position. She was nominated as one of the most influential women in sports and physical activity by CAAWS in 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010. Just a few of Melody's awards include:

- Canadian Olympic Hall of Fame Inductee 2010
- 2010 Jack Donahue Coach of the Year
- 2010 C. Vivian Stringer Coaching Award from the United States Coaching Academy
- 2009 Clearview Award of Merit
- Alberta Sports Hall of Fame Inductee 2008
- Hockey Alberta's Development Award in 2005 and Meritorious Award in 1997
- Petro Canada Coaching Excellence Award in 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2010
- University of Alberta's Distinguished Alumni Award 2010 and Alumni Award of Excellence in 2006
- Red Deer College Distinguished Alumna Award in 2006

Melody has reached the pinnacle of international success as a Head Coach, but she has worked at the grassroots level of the game in Alberta for many years and has been an inspiration to thousands of female hockey players, providing guidance that has helped them to achieve their goals on and off the ice. The Calgary Booster Club is proud to include her on the 2014 list of Honoured Athletic Leaders.



## **MIKE FULLERTON - Basketball**

For over 30 years, Mike Fullerton has been an outstanding ambassador for Basketball in the community, volunteer-coaching in Calgary's junior and senior high school, community, club and university programs.

Mike has had a long and meaningful career as a teacher and guidance counselor and is the Head Coach of the Varsity Boys basketball program at Sir Winston Churchill High School. Mike's coaching expertise and passion for excellence is reflected in his teams' successes. He was an Assistant Coach for Basketball Alberta for two years and the Head Coach of the Juvenile Men's provincial team that won the Western Canada Summer Games and the first

annual Nike National Juvenile Championships. In 2010, he was approached to run clinics for the CCYD club programs and became the Head Coach for the travelling teams. He currently serves as the Director of Basketball Operations on the CCYD board. Mike has helped to create endowed scholarships that will support the University of Calgary Dinos basketball program in perpetuity.

Mike is the recipient of the 1999 Basketball Alberta Men's Program Coach of the Year and the 2005 Wayne Thomas Award for outstanding contributions to high school basketball in Calgary. His positive relationships with his athletes have ensured that they have benefited not only from his basketball knowledge, but also from his life messages.

Mike Fullerton is a worthy recipient of the Calgary Booster Club's Honoured Athletic Leader award.



## **MYLA HODGINS - Volleyball**

Myla Hodgins has been an integral part of the Calgary volleyball landscape for over 35 years. After an outstanding high school and university athletic career, she has continued as a coach and sport administrator in Calgary for the last 32 years. She has coached fifty teams ranging from elementary school age to varsity and elite teams. Her teams have been City Champions thirteen times, Provincial Champions six times and National Champions four times. She has also coached Field Hockey, Soccer and Golf.

In addition, Myla was key in pioneering the Sports Medicine programs in the City of Calgary School system. She chaired the committee that got this program approved as a locally developed program and eventually a CTS course. She has been teaching Sport Medicine for over twenty years.

Myla is a vibrant and skilled technical coach with a clear vision of building strong athletes and developing future leaders. Her commitment to student academics has her ensuring that players have success in the classroom as well as on the volleyball court. She has been instrumental in helping over 150 students attain scholarships.

The Calgary Booster Club is pleased to recognize Myla Hodgins as a 2014 Honoured Athletic Leader.

**BARB MITCHELL - Field Hockey**

Barb Mitchell has been tireless in her dedication to the Calgary Ladies Field Hockey league for over 30 years. She has served the Board of Directors of the CLFHA in many capacities including President, Treasurer, Secretary, Director of League Game Schedules and Junior Development Coordinator. Barb has run the High School and Junior High School Tournaments and helped on the Technical Table for many National Tournaments. In addition, she has officiated and helped to coach club teams. Barb was instrumental in organizing the League's donation to the University of Calgary for the building of Hawkings Field – a state of the art venue for amateur field hockey in Calgary. Barb has been an active member of the Bluestreaks Club since the 70's and has had a tremendous influence on the club. She has been a participant in the Golden Oldies Work Hockey Festival, travelling to other countries to play and to promote field hockey abroad. In addition to her contributions to Field Hockey in Calgary, Barb participates in Ice Hockey, yoga, hiking, swimming and cross-country skiing and is a fitness trainer at the YMCA. Barb Mitchell is a truly committed volunteer and the Calgary Booster Club is pleased to recognize this commitment with the Honoured Athletic Leader award.

**JENN WOODS - Basketball**

Jenn Woods, a Physical Education teacher at Crescent Heights High School, has been an active promoter of sports for twenty eight years, with an unwavering commitment to students and a belief in the life lessons to be learned from sports. Her strong relationships with students and her contagious passion for her work have resulted in success in both her teaching and coaching careers. She has coached twenty seven basketball teams, thirteen field hockey teams, two rugby teams and a gymnastics team - all on a volunteer basis.

Jenn was recognized by the CSHSAA in 2006 with the Ken Runquist Award for Excellence in Coaching and by the Calgary Sun as Teacher of the Month in 1992.

Over the years, Jenn has taught and coached over 10,000 students. She has had a significant impact on these students and their families.

In addition, Jenn was the World Natural Sports Organization's Bodybuilding Champion in 2006, a Finalist in 2005 and Novice Champion in 2004.

The Calgary Booster Club agrees that Jenn Woods is very deserving of recognition as an Honoured Athletic Leader.

**KELLY ZACKODNIK - Athletics**

Kelly Zackodnik is a key volunteer who has been actively involved with Special Olympics Calgary since 1991. Her willingness to be available to athletes, parents and other volunteers is inspiring, and she has taken on the roles of supporter, advocate, coach and mentor.

She has become one of Canada's premiere coaches, achieving success and recognition at the local, provincial, national and international levels. Just a few of her significant accomplishments include:

- Team Alberta Athletics 2002, 2006, 2010
- Team Alberta Snowshoeing 2000, 2004
- Team Canada Athletics Head Coach 2003, 2007, 2011
- International Technical Delegate and Resource Team member

Kelly has clearly thrived at the highest levels within the Special Olympics organization, investing her time and skill in developing her athletes and the coaches around her. However, even while Kelly was committed to Team Canada, she never shifted her focus from her local programs and athletes. She has been involved at the grass roots level for over 20 years, always providing quality coaching and direction to athletes of all abilities.

Kelly was recognized with the Coaching Association of Canada Excellence award in both 2008 and 2011. She is also the 2003 recipient of the Alberta Sport, Recreation, Parks & Wildlife Foundation Alberta Coaching and Recognition Award and was chosen as the 2003 Special Olympics Canada National Female Coach of the Year. The Calgary Booster Club is proud to add the Honoured Athletic Leader award to her list of accomplishments.



**Congratulations to the 2014 Calgary Booster Club  
Sportsman of the Year  
Ken Bracko**

**Female Athlete of the Year - Kaillie Humphries**

**Male Athlete of the Year - Jon Cornish**

**Special Olympics Calgary Athlete of the Year - Jennifer Riddell**

**The 2014 Honoured Athletic Leaders  
Brent Allardyce, Melody Davidson, Mike Fullerton  
Myla Hodgins, Barb Mitchell, Jenn Woods  
Kelly Zackodnik**

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2014 Sportsman of the Year!



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## **The Calgary Booster Club** *and Talisman Centre*

Talisman Centre congratulates The Calgary Booster Club on 61 years of dedicated volunteer service to athletic endeavor in The City of Calgary.

The Booster Club famously recognizes the Calgary Sportsman of the Year, Honoured Athletic Leaders, as well as female and male athletes of the year. They also support and recognize athletic excellence in High School sports, and provide a number of generous athletic grants and awards. "Talisman Centre applauds the Calgary Booster Club for recognizing athletes of all abilities and initiating the Calgary Special Olympics Athlete of the Year award in 2014," Jeff Booke, CEO, Talisman Centre.

The Calgary Booster Club's passion and dedication to athletic endeavour make them a perfect fit with Talisman Centre, and the two organizations have enjoyed a long and mutually beneficial friendship for more than 30 years. Talisman Centre is proud to be the home of The Calgary Booster Club Sports Wall of Fame, a digital display of the history of the Club's achievements and award recipients as well as the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympic torch and 2010 Vancouver Winter Olympic torch. This video display provides The Calgary Booster Club with a new and vibrant public portal to promote its events, awards, and celebrate athletic achievement.

From providing funds and volunteers for athletic events, to the awarding of scholarships and grants to high school, and post-secondary programs, as well as recognizing outstanding contributions made by Calgary athletes and athletic leaders, The Calgary Booster Club has been one of this city's most valuable organizations for 61 years. Through perseverance and visionary leadership, they were instrumental in pushing forward the successful bid for the 1988 Winter Olympic Games in Calgary. That landmark achievement alone ensures The Calgary Booster Club a prominent place in Calgary's history books.

Talisman Centre is proud to have a close relationship with The Calgary Booster Club and looks forward to celebrating athletic endeavours with them for many years to come.



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## Joining the Calgary Booster Club

What can happen when like-minded individuals get together to discuss a simple idea – to organize a club of sports enthusiasts to boost both amateur sports and sports in general? In Calgary, the results have been exceptional. The founding members of the Calgary Booster Club met in 1951 at Calgary's old Club Café and created such an organization, and this evening's celebration is just one of our annual events supporting athletics. Our members

- are dedicated to the development and encouragement of athletic endeavour,
- have an interest in sport and athletics,
- wish to work with other positive, supportive people,
- enjoy the benefits of volunteering, and
- seek ways to improve sport programs in the City of Calgary.

If you are such a person, please consider becoming a member of the Calgary Booster Club.

For membership information, please contact us by phone at (403) 541-0609  
or email at [info@calgaryboosterclub.com](mailto:info@calgaryboosterclub.com)

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### CALGARY BOOSTER CLUB

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The Calgary Booster Club is proud of its ongoing commitment to sponsor amateur sport through grants, scholarships, and awards to athletes and sporting bodies who demonstrate excellence, determination and development.

Financial support provided during the past year includes:

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| • High School Athletic Scholarships                    | \$57,000 |
| • Art Smith Amateur Sport Legacy Fund Endowment Grants | \$10,000 |
| • Post Secondary Scholarship Awards                    | \$22,000 |



Kaillie Humphries is the reigning Olympic champion in the two-woman at the 2010 Winter Olympics and the 2014 Winter Olympics. With her victory in 2014 she became the first female bobsledder to successfully defend her Olympic title. Due to her repeat championship she was named flag bearer for the closing ceremonies at the 2014 Games together with brake woman Heather Moyse. In addition, Humphries is also the two time defending overall World Cup champion. In her career she has won seven FIBT World Championship medals which includes her current title as the reigning two-time World Champion.

Christine is a native of London, Ontario. At the age of twelve, she chose short-track speed skating over hockey. By age fifteen, she was the Ontario Junior Short Track Speed Skating Champion. In the following two years, Christine was ranked the top Ontario female

junior and senior short track speed skater.

She won the silver medal in the mixed bobsleigh-skeleton team event at the 2008 FIBT World Championships in Altenburg, Germany. Humphries finished the 2009-10 Bobsleigh World Cup second overall with a third place finish on the last stop at Igls.

Humphries then most prominently won a gold medal in the Two-woman competition at the 2010 Winter Olympics with Heather Moyse. The win completed a childhood dream for Humphries. After the final run she said that "I don't think I can put it into words yet, we did our job, you know. The goal I set as a little kid, to have done it, is amazing."

During the next couple of years, Humphries met with limited success on the World Cup tour and in World Championship competition. However, during the 2012 championships in Lake Placid she won her first World Championship gold. This was also the first gold for any Canadian woman's sled team at the World Championships. When asked about what her result means on top of her Olympic gold she said that "It feels amazing. It is another goal accomplished. This means a lot to me. I feel like I'm still growing as a pilot and I try to learn from every experience. I have been working on my consistency and I'm glad it showed here." In the team event, Humphries went on to help guide the Canadians to a bronze medal as well, adding to her medal tally that year.

Humphries continued to turn heads during the 2012–13 Bobsleigh World Cup season with five straight wins aided by the pushes of new brakeman Chelsea Valois.[7] This success continued as the pair placed first while setting a track record at the 2013 FIBT World Championships in St. Moritz, thus enabling Humphries to successfully defend her title as World Champion. This was also Humphries' twelfth straight podium finish in FIBT events.[8] She locked up the World Cup overall title with a third place finish at the Sliding Center Sanki near Sochi, site of the 2014 Winter Olympics. Humphries responded to press about her runs saying "They weren't the best runs today, I made a few mistakes, but I am still learning. We are going to come back here again next year for international training week and work hard to clean things up." [9]

The 2013-14 World Cup season saw Humphries reunited with her Vancouver 2010 teammate, Heather Moyse. The team of Humphries and Moyse traded podium positions with Elana Meyers and Lauryn Williams at several World Cup events with the Canadian women ultimately succeeding in winning the overall World Cup title. This close contest between the Canadians and Americans carried into the 2014 Sochi Olympics competition. Humphries' clean driving propelled the Canadians from second place into the gold medal position, allowing them to become the first female bobsleigh team to repeat as Olympic champions, the first female Canadian Olympians to repeat as champions since Catriona Lemay Doan, and etching their names into Olympic history.

Humphries said of the record setting achievement: "How do you describe achieving a dream? This is a four-year goal of ours. This has been something that we've done together. Winning gold is amazing, but walking away satisfied is better. After the third run I knew that if we did the business we could be on top."

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**PAST WINNERS**

# Henry Viney Trophy

This award, named in honour of Henry Viney, the long-time Sports Director of CFCN Radio-Television, was established in 1987 by the Calgary Sports Media Club. Viney, over a career that spanned some 50 years, covered every major sporting event around the globe and received many major awards including Canadian Sportscaster of the Year (1967 Foster Hewitt Award) and the Calgary Booster Club Sportsman of the Year (1976). The “little man with the big cigar” passed away in 1980.

1987 – CAROLYN WALDO, Synchronized Swimming	2000 – LEIGHANN DOAN, Basketball
1988 – CAROLYN WALDO, Synchronized Swimming	2001 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating
1989 – CAROLYN WALDO/MICHELLE CAMERON, Synchronized Swimming	2002 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating
1990 – VERONICA VANDER SCHEE, Basketball	2003 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating
1991 – JODI EVANS, Basketball	2004 – TARYN SWIATEK, Soccer
1992 – KERRIN LEE GARTNER, Skiing	2005 – CINDY KLASSEN, Speed Skating
1993 – KERRIN LEE GARTNER, Skiing	2006 – CINDY KLASSEN, Speed Skating
1994 – LISA HARVEY, Cross Country	2007 – CINDY KLASSEN, Speed Skating
1995 – SUSAN AUCH, Speed Skating	2008 – HAYLEY WICKENHEISER, Hockey
1996 – SUSAN AUCH, Speed Skating	2009 – CAROL HUYNH, Wrestling
1997 – CHRISTINE NORDHAGEN, Wrestling	2010 – MELISSA HOLLINGSWORTH, Skeleton
1998 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating	2011 – CHERYL BERNARD, Curling
1999 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating	2012 – CHRISTINE NESBITT, Speed Skating
	2013 – KAILLIE HUMPHRIES, Bobsledding

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**PAST WINNERS**

# Scott-Mamini Award

The Scott-Mamini Award, initiated by the Calgary Press-Radio-TV Sports Club in 1958, was presented annually to the city's Athlete of the Year as chosen by the media. That format continued until 1987 when the Scott-Mamini became the Male Athlete of the Year recognition. It is named for Harry Scott, Sports Editor at the Calgary Albertan and Bob Mamini, the Sports Department Head at the Calgary Herald. Both men were highly respected across the country during the 1930's and 1940's.

1958 – AL ROLLINS, Hockey	1977 – PAUL GOWSELL, Curling	1996 – DON BLAIR, Football
1959 – DON LUZZI, Football	1978 – HELEN VANDERBURG, Synchronized Swimming	1997 – CURTIS MYDEN, Swimming
1960 – DOUG KYLE, Track & Field	1979 – KEN READ, Alpine Skiing	1998 – MIKE VERNON, Hockey
1961 – KEITH ALEXANDER, Golf	1980 – KEN READ, Alpine Skiing	1999 – JEFF GARCIA, Football
1962 – DOUG BARKLEY, Hockey	1981 – JAMES SYKES, Football	2000 – JEREMY WOTHERSPOON, Speed Skating
1963 – HARVIE WYLIE, Football	1982 – KARL TILLEMANN, Basketball	2001 – DAVE DICKENSON, Football
1964 – JAMIE PAULSON, Badminton	1983 – WILLIE deWIT, Boxing	2002 – JAROME IGINLA, Hockey
1965 – LOVELL COLEMAN, Football	1984 – REGGIE LEMELIN, Hockey	2003 – JAROME IGINLA, Hockey
1966 – RON NORTHCOTT, Curling	1985 – TOM PONTING, Swimming	2004 – JEREMY WOTHERSPOON, Speed Skating
1967 – WAYNE HARRIS, Football	1986 – ED LUKOWICH, Curling	2005 – KYLE SHEWFELT, Gymnastics
1968 – RON NORTHCOTT, Curling	1987 – RICK JOHNSON, Football	2006 – LEE GRAVES, Rodeo
1969 – BOB WYLIE, Golf	1988 – JOE NIJEWENDYK, Hockey	2007 – MIIKKA KIPRUSOFF, Hockey
1970 – PETE SAVINKOFF, Fastball	1989 – MIKE VERNON, Hockey	2008 – STEPHEN AMES, Golf
1971 – BARBARA SIMPSON, Equestrian	1990 – MARK TEWKSBURY, Swimming	2009 – HENRY BURRIS, Football
1972 – JOHN DAVIDSON, Hockey	1991 – BOB WYLIE, Golf	2010 – JOHN KUCERA, Alpine Skiing
1973 – JOHN HELTON, Football	1992 – MARK TEWKSBURY, Swimming	2011 – JON MONTGOMERY, Skeleton
1974 – BILL BENKO, Wrestling	1993 – MARK TEWKSBURY, Swimming	2012 – JON CORNISH, Football
1975 – KATHY PRIESTNER, Speed Skating	1994 – DAVID SAPUNJIS, Football	2013 – JON CORNISH, Football
1976 – WILLIE BURDEN, Football	1995 – RICHARD BOHNE, Basketball	

*The Calgary Athlete of the Year Award was started in 1958 by the Calgary Press Radio TV Sports Club. The award was given to the top male or female athlete in Calgary until 1987 when the Henry Viney Trophy was instituted for the top female athlete of the year. The Calgary Booster Club has coordinated the recognition program since 1990 after the Sports Media Club folded. The Calgary Booster Club honoured its first athlete at the 1956 Sportsman of the Year Dinner - a young football star named Normie Kwong, who was Alberta's Lieutenant-Governor from 2005-2010.*

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1952-53 – Vere Carmichael*	1973-74 – Tony Schneider*	1994-95 – Dr. Brent Humphrey
1953-54 – Art Smith*	1974-75 – Dennis Kadatz	1995-96 – Lawrence King
1954-55 – Ernie McCullough	1975-76 – Jack Wilson	1996-97 – Reg Verley
1955-56 – Wally Rowan*	1976-77 – Bill Warren	1997-98 – Bob Croteau
1956-57 – Al Ward*	1977-78 – Fred Wuotila	1998-99 – Brian Randall
1957-58 – Curly Hunt*	1978-79 – Bill Nield	1999-00 – Reid Morrison
1958-59 – Bob Freeze*	1979-80 – Don Podgurny	2000-01 – Sue Chambers
1959-60 – Ken Moore	1980-81 – Ted Sullivan	2001-02 – Don Buchignani
1960-61 – Bill Dickie	1981-82 – Trevor Williams	2002-03 – Don Young
1961-62 – Ron Butlin	1982-83 – Skip Morgan	2003-04 – Leon Nellissen
1962-63 – Ron Butlin	1983-84 – Wes Dalgleish	2004-05 – Pat Franks
1963-64 – Bill Pullar*	1984-85 – LeRoy Pelletier	2005-06 – Rob Stinson
1964-65 – Joe Kryczka*	1985-86 – Sim Laing	2006-07 – Gary Maher
1965-66 – Lou Goodwin*	1986-87 – Doug Kowel	2007-08 – Kathy Van Heurn
1966-67 – Stu Adams*	1987-88 – Lorne Scott	2008-09 – Wayne Meadows
1967-68 – Gerry Maier	1988-89 – John Langille	2009-10 – Al Taylor
1968-69 – Doug Mitchell	1989-90 – Bill Waddell	2010-11 – Wayne McDougall
1969-70 – Jack Prette*	1990-91 – Rod Antoniuk	2011-12 – Brent Gough
1970-71 – Jim (Deak) Cassidy	1991-92 – Jack MacDonald	2012-13 – Mike Boyles
1971-72 – Roy Maxwell	1992-93 – Don Beamer	
1972-73 – Don Park	1993-94 – Chuck Rose	

\*deceased

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# Honour Roll

1980 – Jim (Deak) Cassidy	1989 – Frank King	– Pete Egan*
– Marv McDill*	1999 – Dennis Kadatz	– Curly Hunt*
1982 – Mr. Justice	2000 – Art Smith*	– Dr. Les Maxwell*
Joe Kryczka*	2003 – Stu Adams*	– Ernie McCullough, Jr.
– Doug Mitchell, Q.C.	– Roy Beavers*	– Jack Quigley*
1984 – Bill Warren, Q.C.	– Ron Butlin	2006 – Bob Niven
1985 – Bill Nield	– Vere Carmichael*	2008 – LeRoy Pelletier
– Fred Wuotila	– Harry Cohen*	

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# Jon Cornish



It was another stellar year for Jon Cornish.

The Calgary Stampeders running back was named the 2013 winner of the Lou Marsh Memorial Trophy as Canada's top athlete, becoming the third CFL player to win that award.

Cornish turned in one of the greatest seasons in CFL history in 2013 as he helped lead the Stampeders to a league-best 14-4 record. He was voted both the CFL's Most Outstanding Player and Most Outstanding Canadian and won his second consecutive rushing title as he ran for 1,813 yards, the fourth-highest total in CFL history.

Cornish also led the league and set a new franchise record with 2,157 yards from scrimmage. He led all running backs with an average of 7.0 yards per carry and was tops in the CFL this season with 14 touchdowns.

His spectacular season featured nine 100-yard games — including five in a row to tie a franchise record — and a career best, 208-yard effort on Oct. 5 against Winnipeg.

This season Cornish became the first Canadian to win the MOP award since Tony Gabriel in 1978. Jackson, who earned the honour in 1963, 1966 and 1969, is the only other Canadian to be named the league's top player.

Jon was born in New Westminster, B.C. He attended high school in Burnaby and participated in basketball, track and field and football. He was selected as British Columbia's provincial high school football player of the year in 2001. After high school, Jon attended college in Kansas. In his senior year at Kansas, he rushed for 1,457 yards, a single-season Kansas record.

Jon Cornish signed with the Calgary Stampeders in 2007, spending most of his time with the special teams unit. In 2008, he served as the primary backup at running back and scored his first professional touchdown against his hometown BC Lions in the last game of the regular season. His greatest contribution came on special teams as he led the team with twenty-one tackles.

Jon was a part of the 2008 Grey Cup Championship Team. After suffering an injury during the 2009 pre-season, Jon returned to action in Week 4. Once again he served as primary backup at running back and was valuable on special teams. In 2010, his fourth season with the Stampeders, Cornish established a number of career highs and earned the Stampeders' nomination for the Canadian Football League's Most Outstanding Canadian Award. His 7.3 yard average per rush was tops in the CFL among running backs.

Despite not making his first start of the past season until Week 13, Cornish led the Stampeders in rushing, was first among all CFL running backs in rushing touchdowns, tied for the league in total touchdowns, and earned West Division All-Star recognition. In addition to his excellent work on offence, Jon tied for second on the club with thirteen special-team tackles and returned eight kick-offs for 167 yards. He was named the CFL's Canadian player of the week three times and the top offensive player once. For the second year in a row, Jon was the Stamps' nominee for the CFL's Most Outstanding Canadian Award.





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**KAILLIE HUMPHRIES**

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SPECIAL OLYMPICS ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

# Jennifer Riddell



Jennifer Riddell has been involved with Special Olympics Calgary for 18 years. She participates in curling, cross country skiing, swimming, athletics, and snowshoeing. She is also an athlete ambassador for Special Olympics Calgary and a member of our Athlete Leadership Committee.

Jennifer represented Canada at the 2013 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Pyeong Chang, Republic of Korea, where she won 2 gold medals and one silver medal in cross country skiing.

Jennifer also attended the 2011 Special Olympics World Summer Games, held in Athens, Greece where she won 2 silver medals in athletics.

She again represented Canada in the cross country skiing races at the 2005 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Nagano, Japan, where she won 2 gold medals and one silver medal.

Jennifer will be heading to Vancouver in 2014 to compete at the Special Olympics Canada Summer Games in the sport of athletics. Her goal is to qualify for the Special Olympics World Summer Games in Los Angeles in 2015.



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# *Endowment Fund Grants*

In 1990, the Calgary Booster Club, in association with the Alberta Sport Council, established the Sportsman of the Year Endowment Fund. In 2000, the management of the fund changed.

The Art Smith Amateur Sport Legacy Fund is a partnership between the Calgary Booster Club and the Parks Foundation Calgary. Together these two groups have created and will continue to build an endowment fund to provide much needed assistance for amateur athletes. Because The Art Smith Amateur Sport Legacy is an endowment fund, your gift can be used now and will still be at work for many years to come. To check out the many ways you can gain taxable benefits, please visit [www.parksfdn.com](http://www.parksfdn.com), or call (403) 541-0609, or send an email to [info@calgarybooster.com](mailto:info@calgarybooster.com).

## **2013 SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR ART SMITH SPORT LEGACY ENDOWMENT GRANT AND SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

The following athletes were selected after considering performance ranking and financial need. The Calgary Booster Club is proud to recognize the commitment and achievement of the following athletes and hopes that this grant will help further their training and competitive opportunities.

### **CONRAD CONNICK (BOBSLEIGH)**

Cameron has been identified as a Canadian Bobsleigh National Team prospect. He has been competing provincially, nationally and internationally for the past three years. In 2013 he finished 6th at the Canadian 2 man Championships. His goal is to make the National Team next year and to compete on the Europa Cup circuit or at the World Cup level.

### **HALEY DANIELS (WHITE WATER SLALOM CANOEING)**

Haley is the reigning Canadian Women's Canoeing Champion and a member of the Elite Senior National Team. She is ranked #26 in the world. She has competed internationally for a number of years. In 2013 she placed 1st at the USA National Team Trials and 3rd at the Pan American Championships in Mexico. Her goal for the next year is to be the 2014 Canadian National Champion, to place 1st at the Pan American Championships and be in the top 10 in the World Cup Series and the Senior World Championships. Haley also gives back to her sport by coaching for her local club, inspiring the next generation of National Team athletes.

### **MICHELLE LONG (BOBSLEIGH)**

Michelle has been competing internationally since 2010 when she came 2nd at the North America's Cup. In 2011, she came 4th at the North America's Cup and 8th at the World Junior Championships. In 2012, Michelle was first at the Canadian Open. In 2013, she was 9th at the North America's Cup and 4th at the Canadian Championships. Her goal for 2014 is to compete alongside the very best on the World Cup circuit.

## *Endowment Fund Grants*

### **IVAN MARCISIN (WATER POLO)**

Ivan has been a member of the Senior Men's National Water Polo Team for the past 6 years. In 2013, his team was 11th at the FIAN World Aquatic Championships and 3rd at the Four Nations Cup. In 2014, Ivan hopes to participate in the World League and the Commonwealth Games as well as the National Club Championships.

### **HALLE PRATT (SYNCHRONIZED SWIMMING)**

Halle is a member of the 13-15 year old National Team. In 2013, at Nationals, she was 1st in the Combo, Team, Solo and Individual Figures events. She also received silver medals in Team, Figures and Solo at the UANA Pan American Championships. She aspires to be the first Western Canada Synchronized Swimmers to qualify to swim on both the 13-15 National Team and the Junior National Team.

### **EFREM VIOLATO (BOBSLEIGH)**

Efrem has been identified as a Canadian Bobsleigh National Team prospect. In the 2013/2014 season, he placed 13th at the Americas Cup race and 2nd in the Alberta Bobsleigh provincial selection races. His goal for next year is to make the National Team and complete on the World Cup circuit and at the World Championships.

### **STACEY WELDON**

Stacey has been climbing competitively and representing Canada at international competitions for over 15 years. She won multiple National Championships as a youth competitor and, in 2013, was 2nd at the Canadian Nationals (Open Female). In the next year, she plans to gain a position on the National team and compete on the International Federation of Sport Climbing Bouldering World Cup circuit. In addition, Stacey volunteers as an assistant coach on the National Youth Team.

### **KALI WONG**

Kali swims with the Calgary Aquabelles. She is the only team member to participate in all five events: figures, solo, duet, team and free combination. In 2013, she was the National Champion in both the team and free combination events, 2nd in solo and 4th in both figures and duet. She was named to the 2013 Junior National Team and won a gold and silver medal at the Junior Pan American Championships. Kali's goal for next year is to come first at National Qualifier and Nationals in all routine events. She also hopes to become a member of the Junior National Team and attend Junior Worlds.

## SPORTS WALL OF FAME AND OLYMPIC TORCH DISPLAY

For over 60 years the Calgary Booster Club has woven itself into the fabric of our community. Often standing behind the scenes, the Club has endeavoured to recognize the leadership that has made Calgary athletic programs so vibrant and to celebrate and support individual athletic accomplishments.

In 1984 the Calgary Booster Club approved the concept of a permanent display of recognition for leadership and athletic award winners. An agreement was reached between the Club and Board of Directors of the Talisman Centre to house the display in their highly used public athletic facility. The Calgary Booster Club Sports Wall of Fame was opened to the public on December 9, 1987. By 1998 no more names could be added and the display was beginning to deteriorate.

The original wall was removed during 2010 renovations when Talisman Centre was closed for roof repairs. On November 15, 2012 a new "living" Sport Wall of Fame was installed. A TV monitor displays photos and biographies of Calgary sports leaders and athletes recognized by the Club since 1953.



### APPRECIATION

With thanks for funding received in support of the Calgary Booster Club Archive and Recognition Project



## SPORTS WALL OF FAME AND OLYMPIC TORCH DISPLAY

### 1988 Olympic Torch.

On February 13, 1988, Harry Maubert, 1978 Sportsman of the Year, representing the Calgary Booster Club, used the torch to officially light the cauldron at the Olympic Plaza.

Petro Canada, sponsor of the Cross Canada torch relay presented this torch to the Club on June 6, 1988 in recognition of the Calgary Booster Club's major contribution to the XV Olympic Winter Games.

### 2010 Olympic Torch

The 2010 torch was donated by Ernie McCullough, a founding member of the Calgary Boost Club and president of the Calgary Olympic Development Association (CODA) which submitted Calgary's first Olympic bid.

This torch is of special significance not only because of Ernie's early contributions but also because he represented Canada as a track and field athlete at the 1948 London Games. Sixty two years later, he carried this torch as part of the cross Canada relay tour.





The Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association was established in 1913 to provide competitive athletic opportunities for students in Calgary high schools. The Association believes that the interscholastic athletic program, as a recognized part of the school program, is educationally sound and will enhance the physical, mental, emotional and social development of young people.

Annually, 10,000 student athletes participate in twelve sports including football, cross country, soccer, volleyball, diving, wrestling, basketball, swimming, rugby, track and field, badminton and field hockey.

The CSHSAA is unique in many ways, but is recognized nationally for its belief that the amalgamation of Calgary's two educational systems into one common athletic association is in the best interests of the residents of Calgary. As such, the Calgary Board of Education and the Calgary Catholic School District have worked together harmoniously for decades. As well, the partnership with the Calgary Booster Club over the past five decades has been beneficial to hundreds of student athletes.

Since 1956, 380 student-athletes have been honoured for their academic and athletic excellence. The Calgary Booster Club has also awarded 230 maximum participation scholarships to student -athletes for a total investment of \$290,250.

**The Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association congratulates the Calgary Booster Club on their tremendous success and appreciates their involvement in high school athletics.**



# 2013-2014 Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association Award Winners



## 2013

**AWARD (FIRST YEAR)**

- HARRY HOOD MEMORIAL (1956)
- HENRY PHILIP TAYLOR MEMORIAL (1975)
- ALAN TAYLOR (1993)
- MYRNA EMPEY (1993)
- SHEILA IVERSEN (2006)
- FATHER PAT GALLAGHER (2008)
- JOHN SEMKULEY AWARD (2009)
- GRETTA SCHWARTZ MEMORIAL (1958)
- JOHN F. MAYELL (1990)
- CAROL ERICSON (1999)
- JOE MASSEY (1999)
- ERV HICKIE/ JOHN SCHELLENBERG (2001)
- NEV ANDERSON (2001)
- KEVIN PELEHOS (2003)
- LAWRENCE KING (2003)
- BERT JOINES (2007)
- SHARON REID (2009)
- AL HOLM (2009)

**RECIPIENT**

- Carlo Gallotta
- Bailey Wasdal
- Quinn Bromley
- Erica Walsh
- Jill Girgulis
- Alex James
- Katelynn Dimmell
- Brianna Ghali
- Austen Hartly
- Lauren Perry
- Ben LeSage
- Jennifer Nguyen
- Kimberley Owen
- Bryce Williams
- Madison Lauren
- Kevin Soe
- Allison Wo
- Karl Wagner

**SCHOOL**

- Notre Dame
- Bishop McNally High School
- Dr. E. P. Scarlett High School
- Western Canada High School
- Bishop Carroll High School
- Crescent Heights High School
- Bishop Grandin High School
- William Aberhart High School
- Bishop Grandin High School
- Dr. E. P. Scarlett High School
- Dr. E. P. Scarlett High School
- Juno Beach High School
- Sir Winston Churchill High School
- Bishop O'Byrne High School
- Western Canada High School
- Bishop Carroll High School
- Queen Elizabeth High School
- Sir Winston Churchill High School

## 2014

- LAURIE ROBERTSON MEMORIAL (1969)
- DR. ARLENE MCGINN (1990)
- TOM INKSTER (2006)
- DON BUCHIGNANI (2008)
- BARRY KIMICK (2009)
- ALLISON GODFREY BOBENIC (2014)

- Ross Crichton
- Vanessa Lim
- Nathan Galan
- Casey Wong
- Vivian Mark
- Katelynn Dimmell

- Ernest Manning High School
- Dr. E. P. Scarlett High School
- Sir Winston Churchill High School
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- Sir Winston Churchill High School
- Bishop Grandin High School

## 2013 High School Scholarship Winners

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|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Michael West        | Bishop Carroll High School      |
| Erin James          | Bishop O'Byrne High School      |
| Christina Minions   | Central Memorial High School    |
| Alex Hiatt          | Ernest Manning High School      |
| Shirley Luong       | Lester B. Pearson High School   |
| Owen Woycenko       | Queen Elizabeth High School     |
| Kevin Timmons       | St. Gabriel High School         |
| Kristina Siroishka  | St. Mary's High School          |
| Emma Jerome Smith   | Bishop McNally High School      |
| Brad Hansen         | Centennial High School          |
| Christopher Prosper | Central Memorial High School    |
| Laura de Waal       | John G. Diefenbaker High School |
| John Penny          | Notre Dame High School          |
| Riley Kowbel        | St. Francis High School         |
| Brian Madayag       | St. Gabriel High School         |
| Robert Bzdziuch     | St. Mary's High School          |

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# University / College Athlete Awards



## Mount Royal University

### Female Rookie of the Year - Alicia Tan, Basketball

Alicia Tan from women's basketball won the Female Rookie of the Year. Alicia became one of the top rookie ball handlers in Canada West this season and was recognized as a part of the All-Rookie Team. She was ranked third in the country in both minutes played, with 35.8 minutes per game and with steals averaging 3.8 per game.

### Female Athlete of the Year - Julia Pasieka, Volleyball

Julia Pasieka took home the Female Athlete of the Year for the second year in a row. Julia has been the one of the top players on the women's volleyball team her entire career and her fifth and final season was no exception. Julia was second on the team with 2.94 Points per set, second in kills per set with 2.2 and second in blocks per set with 0.83. This past year she was nominated by Canada West for the Teresa Quigley Award that recognizes the top student-athlete for academics, athletics and community service. Aside from volleyball, Julia has proven to be an excellent scholar and was nominated for a Rhode's Scholarship.

### Male Rookie of the Year - Riley Friesen, Volleyball

Riley Friesen of the men's volleyball team was named the Male Rookie of the Year. He began this season as an understudy to one of the best players in the nation. By the midpoint of the season Riley was getting into most matches and eventually started in six. His numbers spoke for themselves as he was third on the team with 2.65 Pts/Set.

### Male Athlete of the Year - Colton de Man, Volleyball

For the third straight year Colton de Man was named the Male Athlete of the Year. Perhaps the best player to ever don a Cougars volleyball jersey, Colton de Man had another memorable year. He spent the summer with Team Canada at the FISU University games in Russia. When he returned back to Calgary he picked up right where he left off being named a Canada West second team all-star. He was third in the nation in scoring, averaging 4.72 points per set. Colton will walk away from his time at Mount Royal as a legend and will undoubtedly be joining the Wall of Fame a few Cougar nights down the road.

# University / College Athlete Awards

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## SAIT Polytechnic

### SAIT Trojans Female Athlete of the Year:

#### **Lisa Giles, SAIT Trojans women's cross country running**

Student athletes have to show true discipline. When balancing a hefty schedule consisting of class time, homework, practice, and game schedules, you need to be a master of budgeting your time and your work ethic needs to be efficient and immaculate. Cross-country runner Lisa Giles had showcased her various skills as a student-athlete in the 2012-13 season. She had five top five ACAC finishes in her cross-country races and earned a spot on the ACAC All-Conference team. During CCAA Nationals, she finished 9th and was recognized with a 2nd team All-Conference vote. Her effort in the classroom was a result of dedication, as she received a perfect GPA of 4.0. However, Lisa Giles showed that her greatest characteristic was in helping others. She volunteered with multiple sclerosis special events around Calgary, as well as the Trojan Outreach Program for junior high cross-country meets.

### SAIT Trojans Male Athlete of the Year:

#### **Clinton Pettapiece, Men's hockey**

Veteran SAIT Trojan men's hockey player Clinton Pettapiece's leadership, skill and determination were vital factors in the team's playoff run. In his final year of eligibility, the assistant captain tallied up 11 goals, and 31 assists, which lead the Trojans to the silver medal in the ACAC finals. His actions in the community transformed this student athlete into a role model. Clinton Pettapiece felt the best way to give back is to teach the fundamentals, and to teach safety for the game. He accomplished this by dedicating his time at hockey camps for younger kids. Being a part of Movember fundraising, Pettapiece orchestrated the team to be a part of this annual tradition, and helped raise over \$3000 in doing so. Pettapiece bleeds red and white, and has been a commendable image of a Trojan student athlete.

### Trojan of the Year (unsung hero showcasing courage, determination and spirit):

#### **Kaitie Beard, Women's Basketball**

SAIT Trojans women's basketball player Kaitie Beard displayed courage, determination and spirit on and off the court, in the classroom and in the community all season long. Just to give you an example of her drive, Beard started the exhibition season with a fractured hand. When she initially fractured it, the EMT student popped it back into place on her own, not something that many of us can say we would ever do. Her reasoning for this was because she wanted to keep playing. It wasn't until the second time that it dislocated that Beard finally had to tell her coaches it was time for a substitute on the court. The fourth year player was one of the SAIT team's leaders. Kaitie Beard showed her teammates how important they were to her by practicing and playing, despite starting the season in immense pain. She stepped up her game in the second half of the semester by working on her shot and becoming a very crucial perimeter player. Kaitie Beard has been an active member of the Trojan Ambassador Council and always rose to the occasion when called upon.

# University / College Athlete Awards

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## University of Calgary

### **ANDREW BUCKLEY – Football**

Quarterback Andrew Buckley took the reigns all season as the Dinos starter, leading them to their first-ever 8-0 record, and a sixth consecutive Hardy Cup. The Kinesiology student currently has a GPA of 3.84 and was the recipient of the prestigious Russ Jackson Award, given to a CIS football player that exemplifies excellence in the classroom, on the field and by volunteering. This season, Buckley passed for 2,184 yards and 12 touchdowns in eight games and also added four rushing majors en route to a selection as a conference all-star and a Vanier Cup appearance.

### **Bogdan Knezevic – Men's Swimming**

Fourth-year Bogdan Knezevic has consistently excelled in athletics and academics throughout his career as a Dino. The Neuroscience student currently holds a 4.00 GPA, has earned his place on the Dean's list and has been named an Academic All-Canadian each year. In the pool this year, Knezevic won a CIS gold medal in the 200m individual medley and a CIS silver in the 4x100m medley relay.

### **TESSA MILLER – Women's Soccer**

Veteran Tessa Miller graduates as a fifth-year Dino, from the Werklund School of Education. Recording a 3.91 GPA over 21 credits, Miller majored in Physical Education. As a Dino, the captain was named a Canada West first-team all-star. She scored six goals and added 11 assists to lead the team in points with a total of 23. The inside midfielder helped the Dinos return to the conference playoffs for the first time in four years.

### **TIANNA RISSLING – Women's Swimming**

In just her second season with the Dinos, Tianna Rissling continues to impress both in the classroom and in the pool. A Kinesiology student, the Redcliff, Alta. native currently has a 4.00 GPA. A former CIS Rookie of the Year, Rissling added two more CIS medals to her collection which included a silver in the 4x100m free relay, and a bronze in the 4x100m medley relay. She also won a handful of medals at the Canada West championships.

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## Citizen Award Recipients 2013 - 2014



**Claire** (Grade 9) made an impact at the National Sport School immediately. Her quiet confidence in the classroom has helped others succeed when agreeing to work with her on school based projects. Claire's cheerful spirit also shows up in her willingness to help other students or even just to provide a sympathetic ear. Claire demonstrates leadership, patience, and understanding for her peers, and teachers.

**Astrid** (Grade 10) is a top student, athlete, and citizen. She truly exemplifies the EXCELLENCE we strive for at the National Sport School.

Astrid's strong independent work ethic and ability to grasp new concepts easily make her a pleasure to teach. Her grades are consistently at the top of every class – some very close to 100%.

As a synchronized swimmer she had another excellent season. Some of her most impressive sports accomplishments this past year included Bronze in Team and Duet at the US Open and Gold in Team and Combo at the Canadian Open Nationals.

Astrid has also developed into a leader in the school, setting the best possible example of how to treat others and how to meet the highest standards in everything she does.

To quote some of her report card comments, "Astrid is a wonderful student" and "We should clone her".

**Skye** (grade 11) is a wonderful young woman who is a joy to be around. She is always friendly, warm, generous and kind. She has shown kindness and compassion to her fellow students and has been an excellent role model for her peers at school and in her sport. Skye is outgoing, supportive and inclusive. As a result, others feel comfortable working with her. She always has a smile on her face and strives to do her best in everything she does.

Skye is a young woman who loves to volunteer and help out wherever she is needed. She spent several long days helping families and businesses clean up after the flooding in Bragg Creek, her community. She has also helped out with the Kid's Only Christmas Store for the past 4 years. This is a volunteer position where she helps children do their Christmas shopping for their parents. She helps them wrap their gifts so they can take them home and put them under their tree.

Skye hopes to travel and work as a nurse in underprivileged countries in the future. In order to prepare for this, she applied and was accepted into the Y-PODS program (Youth – Pursuing Ongoing Development and Success) at the Peter Lougheed Hospital. These are not easy positions to get and one of the things they looked for in their applicants, was the desire to volunteer for the sake of volunteering, not just for work experience. Skye is happy to drive the long distances, even with her busy schedule as a skier because helping people makes her very happy.

**Jasmine Sepandj** (grade 12) was a true citizen of the National Sport School. She is focused, unique, and committed, not only to ski jumping but to her academic pursuits as well. Jasmine's dedication to the National Sport School was demonstrated through her participation in the Remembrance Day ceremonies, and as a mainstay in the leadership group. Jasmine is currently living, training and competing out of Park City, Utah.

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## CONGRATULATIONS

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### **Ken Bracko**

2014 Sportsman of the Year

### **Jon Cornish**

2013 Male Athlete of the Year

### **Kaillie Humphries**

2013 Female Athlete of the Year

### **Jennifer Riddell**

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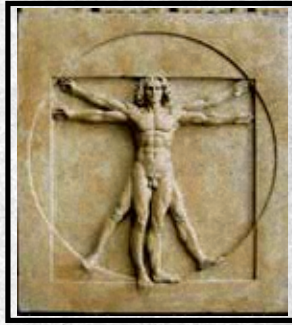
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