



CALGARY BOOSTER CLUB

64th Sportsman of the Year Dinner



2017 Sportsman of the Year

Jack Gregory

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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 64th Sportsman of the Year

Jack Gregory





It is my pleasure to welcome you to the 64th Sportsman of the Year Awards Dinner and on behalf of the Calgary Booster Club, thank you for taking time to support our dinner with your attendance this evening. By making the dinner a part of your social calendar, you affirm the value of athletics in our community and you honour the individuals being recognized this evening for their leadership, sportsmanship and contributions to sport in Calgary.

Your presence also supports the Calgary Booster Club, an organization that is use to shining the spotlight on others, rather than on itself. Over the past 64 years, the Club has endeavoured to provide assistance to aspiring athletes and to recognize the contribution of volunteers, coaches and administrators; those who have been the foundation of sport in Calgary. Calgary's sport excellence is the envy of Canada. I am proud to be amongst those individuals who have been Directors of the Club or who have been recognized and supported in their sporting excellence.

This year, the Calgary Booster Club Directors are very proud to introduce the Red Jacket Club which honours the Sportsman of the Year with a custom-tailored "red jacket". The prominent colour of the jacket is meant to showcase those individuals who have made a great contribution to Calgary sports. This evening, we induct our longest serving Sportsman of the Year, Doug Kyle (1996) and our current Sportsman of the Year, Jack Gregory (2017). All other Sportsmen of the Year will be inducted at next year's, 65th Sportsman of Year Awards Dinner.

Also new this year is the Bob Freeze Sport Grants program. Bob Freeze was the Sportsman of the Year in 1995 and his estate left a very generous donation to the Calgary Parks Foundation and the Calgary Booster Club. The Bob Freeze grants are awarded to individual athletes who are 16 years of age and under and to an organization that provides wide-reaching support to youth athletes.

The remarkable relationship between the Calgary Booster Club and the Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association (CSHSAA) continues with the distribution of scholarships and awards to each participating school. The Calgary Booster Club is very pleased to introduce the Harry Hood Memorial Award for football, sponsored by the Calgary Stampeders and will be awarding a \$3000 athletic scholarship annually to both the Gretta Schwartz Memorial Outstanding Female Student Athlete and the John Mayell Memorial Outstanding Male Athlete.

The Calgary Booster Club is deeply honoured to recognize all of the athletes, organizations, esteemed Leaders and our Sportsman of the Year, Jack Gregory. If this is your first time at the dinner, welcome, enjoy the evening and please consider joining us for our 65th Awards Dinner next year. To all of our returning friends, I hope this evening brings many smiles as you reminisce and share those wonderful moments.

Please visit www.calgaryboosterclub.ca for information on awards, grants and scholarships.

Jon Jewell



Alberta Sports
Hall of Fame & Museum

Congratulations to Jack Gregory, the
Calgary Booster Club
Sportsman of the Year,
and all 2017 Calgary Booster Club
Athletes and Leaders.

Special Mention to
Alberta Sports Hall of Fame
Honoured Member Hayley Wickenheiser

Join us for the
2017 Alberta Sports Hall of Fame

Induction Banquet
on May 26, 2017

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60th
Anniversary
1957-2017

Jack Gregory



Jack Gregory has been the ambassador as well as the face of Special Olympics Calgary for nearly three decades. He has served as a Board member for the Special Olympics for over 20 years and is currently Past Chairman of the Board. Jack also continues as a Special Olympics coach in both curling and golf. Jack has made numerous donations along with providing subsidized sports equipment and uniforms for Special Olympic events and programs. Jack has represented Special Olympic Calgary provincially, nationally and internationally. Jack's involvement goes much more than that. He is now renting the front office section of Tuxedo Source for Sports to Special Olympics Calgary. When Tuxedo Source for Sports celebrated their

50th anniversary in 2010, they hosted a celebration gala and auction which raised \$50,000 for Special Olympics Calgary. Jack's generosity, kindness and love for the Special Olympic athletes has never wavered for the last 28 years.

Jack has served as a coach in both baseball and hockey and has volunteered and supported numerous fundraisers and casinos for sport groups in Calgary. Jack and Tuxedo Source for Sports have contributed all types of sports equipment to virtually every minor sport in Calgary. Much of this equipment was donated or given to sport groups at deeply discounted costs.

Jack was instrumental in establishing the very first Calgary Minor Hockey Equipment Drive that provides gear to families that would otherwise be unable to afford new equipment. The funds collected started one of the first player subsidy programs allowing less fortunate kids the opportunity to play hockey. Jack later helped create the first Calgary Minor Hockey Golf Tournament, where all funds raised were used to subsidize deserving hockey players. Jack through his business signed Bauer Hockey as the major tournament sponsor, ensuring the tournament was successful for many years. Jack has received multiple awards for his contributions to both Calgary Minor Hockey and Little League Baseball.

Jack and Tuxedo Source for Sports have been actively involved with Mac's Hockey tournament for over 30 years. He is currently the Director of the Mac's Tournament Scholarship Program which awards a total of eight \$1500 scholarships each year. Jack continues to support the tournament in many ways which may include driving a truck, supervision of ticket sales and deliveries.

Jack has been involved with the Calgary Oldtimers Hockey Association for more than 20 years, providing financial support to deserving athletes, Junior A, university and college hockey teams and awarding academic scholarships to a wide range of athletes. Jack has served on multiple committees within the Association and is currently the Vice President.

The Calgary Booster Club takes great pride in recognizing Jack Gregory as the 2017 Sportsman of the Year.

PAST SPORTSMEN OF THE YEAR

CALGARY BOOSTER CLUB

64 Years of Tradition



2016
Joe Massey



2015
Christine Hampshire



2014
Ken Bracko*



2013
Tony Spoletini



2012
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



2003
Frank King



2002
Jim Courchesne



2001
John Semkuley



2000
Eldon Godfrey



1999
Bill Warren



1998
Donald Phelps



1997
Tom Humphrey*



1996
Ted Rhodes*



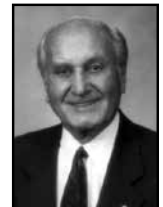
1995
Joe Shea



1994
Margaret Scott



1993
Murray Copot*



1992
Tony Anselmo*

*deceased

PAST SPORTSMEN OF THE YEAR

CALGARY BOOSTER CLUB

64 Years of Tradition



1991
Bill Salt



1990
Dorothy Read*



1989
Ted Bancks*



1988
Keith Evans



1987
Doug Rooke*



1986
Marg Southern &
Ron Southern*



1985
George Blundun*



1984
Jim (Deak) Cassidy



1983
Keith Kendal



1982
Bob MacNichol*



1981
Stan Jaycock



1980
Ray Kingsmith*



1979
Bill Phillips*



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*

*deceased

PAST SPORTSMEN OF THE YEAR

CALGARY BOOSTER CLUB

64 Years of Tradition



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*

**deceased*



The Red Jacket Club

A symbol of dedication & commitment,
the Red Jacket represents the
legacy of sport in Calgary.

A thank you to all of the past
Calgary Sportsmen of the Year!

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Rob Kerr



Rob has been a staple in the afternoon on Sportsnet 960 the FAN since 2003. He was the host of Calgary Flames Radio up until 2011 and then spent the next 3 seasons as the TV voice of the Calgary Flames. In addition to his work in radio Rob has been an active member of the sporting community. In 2012 he and other members of the Calgary hockey community started the CTRL-F hockey camp for disadvantaged youth. Recently Rob has worked with the Calgary Flames Foundation on a Hockey is for Everyone initiative which teaches new Canadians the basics of hockey.

Rob is currently a director for Sport Calgary and a board member of the Comries Sports Equipment Bank.

Lisa Dixon-Wells



Lisa Dixon-Wells has been working in school systems across Canada since 1990. After completing her M.Ed in Educational Psychology (1997), Lisa's focus has been on Bully Prevention and Mental Health. As the founder of the Dare to Care program, her work has focused on early prevention and intervention in schools as well as sporting organizations, community groups, and the workplace. The Dare to Care program impacts over 65,000 children, youth, and adults each year and has had a significant impact in creating and maintaining safe and inclusive environments for children and youth.

Lisa is a former member of the Canadian National Swim Team and a current World Masters champion. Lisa was inducted into the University of Calgary's Sports Hall of Fame in 2015.



Congratulations to all Award Winners

Jack Gregory
2017 Sportsman of the Year

Sarah McCarthy
Special Olympics Athlete of the Year

Kevin Koe
Male Athlete of the Year

Erica Wiebe
Female Athlete of the Year

**Parks Foundation Calgary
Congratulates the 2017
Sportsman of the Year
Jack Gregory**

Congratulations to
Athletes of the Year

Erica Wiebe
Kevin Koe
Sarah McCarthy

Honoured Athletic Leaders

Perry Cavanagh
Shauna Denney
Joe Stambene
Dr. Don Stouffer
Ralph Strother
Hayley Wickenheiser

Your commitment to
excellence inspires us all.



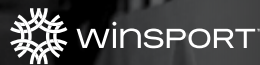
Since 1985, Parks Foundation Calgary has created opportunities to improve the quality of life of Calgarians. PFC has the ability to bring together diverse agencies to enhance Calgary's parks, river valleys and amateur sports.

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.



**BETTER THAN
YESTERDAY**



**Perry Cavanagh**

Perry Cavanah's contribution to sport in Calgary over the last 25 years is very impressive. He began volunteering as a coach for his son's hockey team and quickly moved into the administration side of the sport. Throughout his many roles, Perry has had a lasting impact on hockey and other sports in Calgary. He has helped build numerous facilities within the city and has raised awareness of the remaining athletic facility shortages.

Once moving to the administration side of hockey, Perry became President of Southern Alberta Tyke Hockey Association, the Properties Sports Hockey Association and the Calgary Minor Hockey Association. After being elected to the Calgary Minor Hockey Association Board of Directors in 1998, he served for 2 terms as President and implemented the inaugural "Respect in Sport" parent program, helping parents understand the critical role they play in their child's sport life. Perry also successfully took on the challenge of Co-chair of the 2012 IIHF World Junior Championship Organizing Committee.

Perry currently volunteers his time sitting on the Comrie's Sports Equipment Bank Society Board, holds the position of Executive Director and General Manager of the Don Hartman North East Sportsplex and is the Chairman of Sport Calgary. Perry and Sport Calgary recently delivered the "All Sport in One Day" for youth, a program that allows young athletes to try a variety of different sports in one day at no cost, and launched "All Sport One City", an initiative to encourage adult activity and participation in sport.

It is with great pride and admiration that the Calgary Booster Club recognizes Perry Cavanagh as an Honored Athletic Leader for 2017.

**Shauna Denny**

Shauna Denney is very well known in the Calgary volleyball community and in fact, her name has become synonymous with volleyball. Shauna founded the 403 Selects Volleyball Club in 2008 and continues as the club president.

Shauna is a true sports advocate and her involvement in sport extends beyond volleyball having also coached soccer, track and field, basketball and softball. She is passionate about providing opportunities for athletic development of young people and has shown sincere dedication working as a coach, mentor, leader and administrator. Shauna has worked with the Safe Haven Foundation supporting young "at risk" women and has contributed to a variety of community-based programs to help young people grow and succeed. She is presently the Public Relations/Clinic Director for the Art of Coaching Volleyball and has helped develop a course that teaches parents to take a positive role in youth sport.

Congratulations to Shauna Denney, a very deserving Honoured Athletic Leader for 2017.



Joseph Stambene

Joe is a dedicated teacher and athletic director who has been volunteering his time to coaching football for the Saint Francis Browns team for over 30 years. During this time he has won numerous City and Provincial titles and has produced a winning culture. He has also been instrumental in assisting with the development of the Calgary Midget football program.

While his record for winning is very impressive what makes Joe stand out is how his players and fellow coaches have come to love and respect him. Joe is a mentor first with many of his former players going on to play professional football or give back to the program by becoming coaches themselves. Over the many years he has helped countless athletes realize their sense of confidence and pride both on and off the field. With Joe's selfless attitude and commitment to serve it is no wonder he has inspired and taught young adults to become ambassadors away from the field and how to work together to achieve greatness.

Please congratulate Joe Stambene as an Honoured Athletic Leader for 2017.



Hayley Wickenheiser

Hayley Wickenheiser is a local Calgary graduate from Bishop Carroll High School, she played hockey with the University of Calgary Dinos and is a multiple world and Olympic champion. Hayley is a "tower of power" in women's hockey, competing for Canada in a total of five Olympics.

Hayley's passion for hockey extends to the community as she has worked tirelessly to promote women's hockey in Canada and throughout the world. She visits schools, created the "Stepping Out" initiative and volunteers with the "Right to Play", the international humanitarian organization aimed at helping children through play.

In partnership with Girls Hockey Calgary and The Rocky Mountain Female Hockey league, Hayley hosts Wickfest, an annual Hockey Festival that engages more than 1500 female hockey players. Hayley was also a recipient of the Order of Canada in 2011 for her efforts both on and off the ice.

Please congratulate Hayley Wickenheiser as an Honoured Athletic Leader for 2017.

**Dr. Don Stouffer**

A personal story of success, be it as an athlete, coach or as an administrator is quite remarkable in and of itself. Don Stouffer has managed to be all three.

As a youngster growing up in Lethbridge, Don's innate talent as a skilled athlete and team leader was identified and nurtured. Don was very successful as a multi-sport athlete. In baseball, he and his teammates on the Lethbridge Tigers earned the right to attend the Little League World Series in Chicago in 1953. The Tigers were the

Canadian Pony League Champions in 1955. In hockey, he was the captain of the 1956/57 Alberta Midget "A" Hockey Championship Team. In football, he was one of the team captains of the 1957 Alberta High School Football Champion L.C.I. Rams. In basketball, he was a member of the 1957/58 Alberta High School "A" Champion L.C.I. Rams. Don was voted the Colorado College Athlete of the Year in 1962/63, when he was the team captain, MVP and leading scorer of the Colorado College Tiger Hockey Team.

Don began his teaching career at Mount Royal College in the fall of 1967. His talent as a coach was soon recognized when the MRC Men's Hockey Team earned the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference Championship in 1968/69. As a golf coach, Don guided the MRC Golf Team to a total of 14 ACAC Championships.

While at Mount Royal College, Don worked as the Athletic Director, was the Department Chair of Physical Education and Recreation Studies and was the Dean of the Faculty of Community and Health Studies. Don and Al Bohonus propelled the Mount Royal Cougar Athletic Program to be the best College Athletic Program in Canada over a 25 year period. As an illustration of Don's commitment to leadership in sport, Don was the founding President of the Canadian Colleges Athletic Association.

Don's efforts and successes have been recognized by others in the sporting community; he is a member of the City of Lethbridge Sports Hall of Fame, the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference Hall of Fame and the Canadian Colleges

Athletic Association Hall of Fame. The Calgary Booster Club recognized Don's leadership abilities by asking him to be the Vice Chairman of Hockey at the 1988 Winter Olympics.

Don's philosophy about developing talented student athletes has a certain amount of irony to it. To quote Scott Atkinson, a former hockey player, coach and faculty member at MRC, "Don's belief in emphasizing character development, citizenship, and academic accomplishment over competitive success led to unprecedented competitive success. To put it in athletic terms, he was a great captain and an even better teammate."

Don's charismatic leadership is matched by his unparalleled humility, altruism and sense of humour. It is with great pride that the Calgary Booster Club recognizes Dr. Don Stouffer as an Honoured Athletic Leader for 2017.

**Dr. Ralph Strother**

Sports medicine physician, Dr. Ralph Strother grew up in Calgary and played youth hockey, little league baseball, ran track and participated in numerous school sports at the Henry Wise Wood High School. With practice and the benefit of excellent coaching, he excelled at tennis and basketball. This positive and successful experience in amateur sport provided Ralph with a firm foundation to pursue a career in sports medicine.

In 1981, Ralph graduated from the University of Alberta Medical School (Phi Beta Kappa). His passion for sport and medicine inspired him to be a leader in developing the newly evolving specialty of sports medicine. Today, there are many qualified physicians and medical practitioners visible on the sidelines of the spectrum of sporting events. Thanks to Ralph, sport medicine is now recognized as a practice “specialty” at medical schools in Calgary and across Canada.

Ralph has contributed to every aspect and level of sports medicine. He has been part of the Canadian Academy of Sport Medicine National Credentials Committee and was responsible for setting the standards for sport medicine practice in Canada. He has been a recognized leader in educating sport medicine professionals and has been the volunteer editor and medical adviser to numerous sport medicine journals. Ralph was recognized as a Charter Recipient of a Diploma in Sport Medicine from the Canadian Academy of Sport Medicine in 1989 and a Charter Recipient of a Certificate of Added Competency in Sport and Exercise Medicine (SEM) from the College of Family Physicians of Canada in 2016.

As a sports medicine specialist, Ralph has served as the coordinating team physician for numerous National Teams including Volleyball, Badminton, Luge and Bobsled and has been a network physician for Nordic Ski Jumping, Downhill and Freestyle Skiing and Swimming. He is a consulting physician for Professional Rodeo, the National Ballet of Canada, Alberta Ballet, Decidedly Jazz Dance Works, the Cascades Diving Club and the Sport Canada High Performance Training Centre.

As a community leader, Ralph has chaired the National Board of the Canadian Breast Cancer Foundation and has been a Director and Chair of the Calgary Foundation (a leader in collaborative philanthropy since 1955).

Ralph has been a long-time advocate of safe sport participation and continues to contribute to the Calgary sporting community in multiple capacities; some as a coach and mentor, some as a father, some as an administrator, some as facilitator, but most of all, as an outstanding sports medicine physician. Dr. Ralph Strother is a truly deserving recipient of the Calgary Booster Club Honoured Athletic Leader Award for 2017.



Calgary wrestler, Erica Wiebe, is the 2016 Female Athlete of the Year. Wiebe capped off an incredible 2016 season as she captured a Gold medal in the 75kg women's wrestling competition at the 2016 Rio Olympic Games. Wiebe became only the third female Canadian wrestler to capture an Olympic Gold medal and she is the third wrestler to win the Henry Viney award as the top Calgary Female Athlete of the Year. Previous winners of the Viney were Christine Nordhagen 1997 and Carol Huyhnh in 2009.

Originally from Ontario, Erica came to Calgary and the University of Calgary to pursue her wrestling ambitions and academic goals. At the University of Calgary she was a four-time CIS medalist, capturing a silver medal in 2010 and gold in 2009, 2011 and 2012. Erica has two degrees from the University of Calgary (Bachelor of Kinesiology 2012 and Bachelor of Arts (Sociology) in 2016). Following her CIS success Erica continued to train at the University of Calgary as she pursued her international goals.

Wiebe had enjoyed a very successful 2014 season in which she won every individual tournament she entered, a streak of 36 matches, until the world championships quarterfinals. Among her notable victories were gold medals at the Commonwealth Games and World University Championships. It was the third straight year she had stood on the podium at the latter, improving on her silver in 2012 and bronze in 2013. Despite not earning a spot on the Canadian Pan Am Games or world championship teams in 2015, Wiebe still gained a wealth of international experience, highlighted by first place finishes at the Nordhagen Classics, Ivan Yarygin Grand Prix, Klippan Lady Open, Grand Prix of Germany, Canada Cup, Grand Prix of Spain and Bill Farrell Memorial, extending her international competitive record in 2015 to 29-1.

Representing Canada at the 2016 Rio Games Erica finished on top of the 75kg weight class in her Olympic debut, defeating Kazakhstan's Guzel Manyurova in the final.

Off the mat Erica is making a commitment to giving back to the community as she is an active ambassador for Fast & Female, Right to Play & KidSport Calgary. She also works with Motivate Canada as part of their Esteem Team as she goes into class rooms to share positive messages and goal setting skills through my sport experiences. As Erica says: "The informal and interactive presentations highlight the values I have learned through sport and is shared in an informative, fun way! It's important for these young girls and boys to see that the athletes they see at the Olympics are just like anyone else; working hard every day to achieve great things. For them to understand that it's cool for a girl to be a wrestler speaks to the opportunity to go out and follow their dreams." She also gives back to her sport as a coach and mentor.

The Calgary Booster Club congratulates Female Athlete of the Year Erica Wiebe for a tremendous year of accomplishments and her first Henry Viney award.

2016 ACHIEVEMENTS

Rio Olympic Games – gold medal 75kg

OTHER 2016 FEMALE NOMINEES:

Alison Beveridge (Cycling)
Kaillie Humphries (Bobsleigh)
Elisabeth Vathje (Skeleton)

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
1988 – CAROLYN WALDO, Synchronized Swimming
1989 – CAROLYN WALDO/MICHELLE CAMERON,
Synchronized Swimming
1990 – VERONICA VANDER SCHEE, Basketball
1991 – JODI EVANS, Basketball
1992 – KERRIN LEE GARTNER, Skiing
1993 – KERRIN LEE GARTNER, Skiing
1994 – LISA HARVEY, Cross Country
1995 – SUSAN AUCH, Speed Skating
1996 – SUSAN AUCH, Speed Skating
1997 – CHRISTINE NORDHAGEN, Wrestling
1998 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating
1999 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating
2000 – LEIGHANN DOAN, Basketball
2001 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating

2002 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating
2003 – CATRIONA LE MAY DOAN, Speed Skating
2004 – TARYN SWIATEK, Soccer
2005 – CINDY KLASSEN, Speed Skating
2006 – CINDY KLASSEN, Speed Skating
2007 – CINDY KLASSEN, Speed Skating
2008 – HAYLEY WICKENHEISER, Hockey
2009 – CAROL HUYNH, Wrestling
2010 – MELISSA HOLLINGSWORTH, Skeleton
2011 – CHERYL BERNARD, Curling
2012 – CHRISTINE NESBITT, Speed Skating
2013 – KAILLIE HUMPHRIES, Bobsledding
2014 – KAILLIE HUMPHRIES, Bobsledding
2015 – KAILLIE HUMPHRIES, Bobsledding
2016 – MONIQUE SULLIVAN, Track Cycling



Calgary curler Kevin Koe is the 2016 Scott-Mamini Memorial Award winner (Male Athlete of the Year). Kevin capped off a terrific 2016 season by capturing the World Men's Curling Championship. Kevin Koe becomes the fourth male curler to be named the Athlete of the Year. Ron Northcott in 1966 and 1968, Paul Gowsell in 1977 and Ed Lukowich in 1986 were all recipients of the Scott-Mamini Memorial Award, Cheryl Bernard captured the female Henry Viney award in 2011.

Kevin Koe is one of Canada's curling elites. Koe along with his current teammates consisting of lead Ben Hebert, second Brent Laing and third Marc Kennedy put together an incredible run in 2016 as they dominated the curling world. Having had previous success in 2015 as Alberta champions the Koe team followed up that success with another provincial title in 2016. As representatives of Alberta they then captured the 2016 Canadian Brier against an always tough field earning themselves the right to represent Team Canada at the 2016 World Men's Curling Championships, where they topped the world and were crowned 2016 World Champions.

At the 2016 Canadian Brier the Koe foursome went 8 and 3 in the round robin good enough to get them into the playoffs where they won three straight games to capture the 2016 title. Koe defeated Brad Gushue in the final earning the opportunity to represent Canada at the World Championships.

At the World Championships the Koe rink went 10 and 1 in the round robin. In the playoffs they beat Denmark twice including a 5-3 victory in the gold medal final. For Koe this was his second World Championship victory (first in 2010 with a different team). For Canada the Koe victory broke a four year drought at the World Men's Championship. Koe commenting on his victories in 2016 said "It wasn't flashy, but it was solid, and what a feeling. It's so hard to win the Brier, so you just want to win the worlds when you get here, and it feels awesome."

Originally from Yellowknife Koe now calls Calgary home. The 42 year old is a graduate of the University of Calgary and curls out of the Glencoe Club in Calgary. Away from the ice Koe is a landman at Respol Oil & Gas Canada, is married and has two children. He comes from a curling family as his brother Jamie has represented the Territories at the Brier and his sister Kerry has also represented the Territories at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

The Calgary Booster Club congratulates Male Athlete of the Year Kevin Koe for a tremendous year of accomplishments and his first Scott-Mamini Memorial Award.

2016 ACHIEVEMENTS

2016 Alberta Men's champions
 2016 Brier champions
 2016 World Men's Curling Champions

OTHER 2016 MALE NOMINEES:

Steve Claggett (Boxing)
 Stefan Daniel (Para-Triathlon)
 Akeem Haynes (Track)
 Brady Leman (Ski Cross)
 Alister McQueen (Para-Javelin)
 Bo Levi Mitchell (Football)

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

SPECIAL OLYMPICS CALGARY ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Sarah McCarthy



Sarah McCarthy has been actively involved with Special Olympics Calgary since 2001. She competes in the sport of cross country skiing in the winter months, and athletics, badminton, swimming and powerlifting in the spring and summer.

Sarah has an impressive sport record and has competed at three Special Olympics World games, nine National, nine Provincial, and two Western Canada Summer Games. From these games, Sarah, has proudly stood on the podium many times, winning 18 Gold, 5 silver and 7 bronze medals.

Most recently she was part of Team Canada for the 2017 Special Olympics World Winter Games in Austria, where competed in Cross Country Skiing.

Sarah is committed to her training and is consistently improving in all her sports. She is a gentle, courteous and respectful person and is always first to cheer on her fellow athletes.

Outside of her sports, Sarah is a swim instructor at one of Calgary's YMCA's. She is grateful that she has been given the chance to help other people enjoy swimming.

Since joining Special Olympics, she has become a more confident person and it has helped her overcome her shyness. Her hard work and never give up attitude, and her willingness to learn is what makes her a great leader and a role model to other Special Olympics athletes.

ACHIEVEMENTS - SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD, NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL EVENTS

2017 Austria, Special Olympics World Winter Games, will compete in Cross Country Skiing

2016 - Cornerbrook - Newfoundland, Special Olympics Canada Winter Games - Cross Country Skiing, 3 Gold

2015 - Grande Prairie, AB, Special Olympics Alberta provincial games - Cross Country Skiing, 3 Gold

2014 - Vancouver - BC, Special Olympics Canada Summer games - Swimming, 1 Gold, 2 Bronze

2013 - Pyeongchang - South Korea, Special Olympics World Games - Cross Country Skiing, 1 Gold, 2 Silver

2012 - St. Albert - AB, Special Olympics Canada Winter Games - Cross Country Skiing, 2 Gold and 1 Silver

2011 Edmonton - Devon - AB, Special Olympics Alberta Provincial Winter Games - 3 Gold

2010 London - Ont., Special Olympics Canada Summer Games - Track, 3 Bronze

SPECIAL OLYMPICS CALGARY ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

Sarah McCarthy

2009 - St. Albert - AB., Special Olympics Alberta Provincial Summer Games, AB - Track - 3 Gold, 1 Silver

2008 - Quebec City - QC, Special Olympics Canada Winter Games - Cross Country Skiing - 2 Gold, 1 Silver

2007 - Shanghai - China, Special Olympics World Summer Games-Track - 1 Silver, 1 Bronze, 1 Fourth

PAST WINNERS SPECIAL OLYMPICS CALGARY

Athlete of the Year Award

Special Olympics Calgary's Athlete of the Year Award was jointly initiated by the Calgary Booster Club and Special Olympics Calgary in 2014. This award is presented annually to a City of Calgary Special Olympics' Athlete.

2014 - JENNIFER RIDDELL, Cross Country Skiing

2015 - SPENCER STEVENS, Power Lifting

2016 - KATHRYN SAUNDERS, Speed Skating

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Athlete's of the Year: **Sarah McCarthy, Kevin Koe, Erica Wiebe**

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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,
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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.

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Congratulations to Jack Gregory 2017 Sportsman of the Year

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**Repsol Sport Centre and Lindsay Park Sports Society
Congratulations – Jack Gregory, 2017 Sportsman of the Year**

Lindsay Park Sports Society (LPSS), operator of Repsol Sport Centre (formerly Talisman Centre), applauds The Calgary Booster Club for 64 years of dedicated volunteer service to athletic endeavor in The City of Calgary, and for its annual event honouring the Sportsman of the Year and Honoured Athletic Leaders.

We extend our congratulations to Jack Gregory, 2017 Sportsman of the Year. Jack's volunteer service and financial support for many amateur sport clubs and organizations, such as Special Olympics, Mac's Midget Hockey Tournament and Old Timers Hockey Association, is to be commended and admired.

The Calgary Booster Club's passion and dedication to athletic endeavour makes it a perfect fit with Repsol Sport Centre, and the two organizations have enjoyed a long and mutually beneficial friendship for more than 34 years. Repsol Sport 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.

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 64 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.

Repsol Sport 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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2017 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.

Halle Pratt - Synchronized Swimming

Halle is she currently swimming with the Calgary Aquabelles on their Junior A team and is ranked number 1 in Canada in the Junior age category. Last year, at age 16, Halle had podium finishes in all events through Provincials and Nationals. She had gold medal finishes at Nationals in figures, solo, and team. Due to her top placement in figures, she was ranked first on the Junior National Team and represented Canada in the summer of 2016. In July she competed in figures, solo, duet and team at the Junior World Championships in Kazan, Russia. At this competition, Halle placed 5th in solo and 6th in duet and team. This season, Halle's goals are to be on the top of the podium at Junior Nationals in figures and team, as well as Senior Solo. Earlier this season, Halle attended the National Team Trials in Montreal to earn a spot on the Centre of Excellence Team. Halle ranked 8th overall in Canada! Due to her age, Halle has remained in Calgary to finish her junior career and high school at home. She will move to the Centre in September of 2017.

Congratulations to Halle Pratt as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

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Christine de Bruin - Bobsleigh

Christine is currently training and competing at a very high standard and will represent Canada in the two man competition at the World Championships in Koenigssee, Germany. Following this she will travel to Pyeongchang, Korea, where she will compete in the final World Cup race on the 2018 Winter Olympic Games Track. For this current season, she joined the Next Generation high level development team- training and competing in both Europe and North America. Christine has been identified as a very promising future World Cup and Olympic driver. She is currently ranked 15th.

Congratulations to Christine de Bruin as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Alysia Rissling - Bobsleigh

This season has certainly been a resounding success for Alysia. Having been selected to continue her development on the Next Generation program, she has competed at World Cup and World Championship races with great results. Alysia now ranks in the top 10 in the World (currently 8th on the IBSF rankings) and has just finished 6th in the World Championships. These performances now place her in a very good position to fight for Olympic medals at the 2018 Winter Olympic Games in Korea.

Congratulations to Alysia Rissling as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Carla Shibley - Tandem Para (blind) Cycling

Carla is a highly motivated high performance tandem para (blind) cyclist as well as a full-time student. She is very dedicated and is competing at the provincial level as she strives to qualify for international races. She is continually improving and this year fund raised for a new tandem bike for \$15000.00. She is constantly looking for better ways to improve and installed an iPad on her bike so she can monitor her training more efficiently.

Congratulations to Carla Shibley as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Victoria Spence - Long Track Speedskating

Victoria competes in long track speed skating out of the Oval. She demonstrates a great work ethic, is supportive of team members, and shows leadership to her teammates. She has very strong commitment, discipline and maturity. In 2015-16 she set 5 personal records. In the Can-am International she finished 1st in the 1500m. In World Cup selection, she was 4th in the 3000m. This year she was 4th in the 3000m and 2nd in the 5000m for the Canadian Single Distance Championships. She is also a full-time student with a 3.43 GPA.

Congratulations to Victoria Spence as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

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Mark Armstrong - Trampoline Gymnastics

Mark is a long-time competitor in trampoline gymnastics. At the pan-am games he finished 6th in senior doubles and first in men's team doubles. He placed third in men's senior double mini and eighth in men's senior trampoline. Mark spends most of his time training and coaching gymnastics. He is very determined athlete who works very hard and continually pursues excellence.

Congratulations to Mark Armstrong as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Kara Douville - Para Road Cycling

Kara is a para road cycling athlete competing in the hand cycling H4 category. She is a full-time student at the University of Calgary and still finds time to train at the Canadian Sport Institute and compete. At the 2016 Canadian National Championships, she finished third and was also third in the time trials. She is hoping to qualify for the World Championships in South Africa this summer.

Congratulations to Kara Douville as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

William Dutton - Long Track Speedskating

William is a team leader in the sport of long track speed skating. He is now a senior athlete and finished 7th in the Sochi Winter Olympics in the 500-meter race. This winter he won several world cup silvers in the 500m and 1 gold in the team sprint. He is the Canadian Champion in the 500m. He has an exceptional work ethic and has demonstrated great leadership for his Canadian team mates.

Congratulations to William Dutton as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Jane Girgulis - Sprint Kayaking

Jane fell in love with the sport of sprint kayaking at the age of 13. During the past two years she has travelled to Europe to represent Canada at International Regattas. In Poland she placed first in U18 K1 500m, first in Under 18 K2 500m and second in the U18 K4 500m races. At the 2016 CANADIAN SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS, Jane achieved the following results competing in the U17 K1 category: 3rd in the 500m, 4th in the 200m & 2nd in the 6000m. In the U17 K2 she was 3rd in the 500m and in the U17 K4 500M she was 4TH. At the 2016 SHAWINIGAN CANADA CUP competition, she earned the following results: U17 K1 category 3rd in both the 200M & 500M. Her future aspirations for the 2017 season is to qualify for the Junior World Championships in Romania and she hopes to qualify to represent Team Alberta at the Canada Summer Games in Winnipeg this coming August.

Congratulations to Jane Girgulis as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

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Keil Hillis - Short Track Speed Skating

Keil is now at a point in his skating career where the next level of performance requires an even greater commitment.

Last year, Keil ranked 12th overall in the Intercontinental Short Track Invitational, competing against athletes from Russia, Poland, Great Britain, Belgium and Norway. This year Keil is currently ranked 15th overall in Canada, 10th going into the National Team Trials (second senior selection). Although injuries have hindered Keil, he hasn't let his inhibit his enthusiasm to compete this year. Currently he ranks 1st overall in Alberta as well as Western Canada.

Congratulations to Keil Hillis as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Ronen Gros - Water Polo

Personal and financial sacrifices are nothing new for Ronen in the pursuit of his dream to become a member of the Canadian National Water Polo team. He has had to put attending university on hold for four years to play water polo professionally in Hungary. While playing in Hungary he was recognized as the most improved player in the first division league. The team he played with won the Hungarian national championships 4 years in a row.

Ronen recently returned from Trinidad where the Canadian National Water Polo team qualified for the World Championships which will be held in Budapest this coming summer. He aspires to lead the National Team to rank in the top 6 in forthcoming World Championships. His ultimate goal is to qualify for the 2020 Olympic Games in Tokyo in 2020.

Congratulations to Ronen Gros as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Ellen Pennock - Triathlon

Ellen has had tremendous success as an athlete within the sport of Triathlon. She has competed in many international events such as 2013 U23 World Champions, 2nd in Commonwealth games, 4th in the World Cup Mooloolaba in 2015 and 6th in the Pan American Games (1st Canadian). Her long term focus now is being on the podium for the 2020 Olympic game.

Congratulations to Ellen Pennock as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

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Cynthia Appiah - Bobsleigh

Cynthia is a committed athlete within the Bobsleigh Canada Skeleton Team. Recently moving to Calgary to continue her training Cynthia has her eyes on making the Canadian team for Pyeongchang, South Korea Olympic Games next year. She has already shown fantastic results at the international level with 3rd places finish in 2016/2017 World Cup #2 Lake Placid USA, 5th place at 2016/2017 World Cup #4 Winterberg, Germany, 4th place at 2016/2017 World Cup #6 Königssee, Germany and most recently 6th place in 2017 IBSF world championships.

Congratulation to Cynthia Appiah as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Megan Banks - Biathlon

Megan grew up in Calgary racing Biathlon for Foothills Nordic Ski Club. With her full time training she also helps to coach the next generation of Biathlon of kids from 12-17 years old. She has had success on the National level with 1st place finishes in Individual, Pursuit and Sprint at the Canadian National Championships in Quebec-2016. She also achieved a 1st place in Pursuit and 2nd in Sprint at the 2017 World Junior Trails-2017.

Her record international is also very impressive with 1st place Individual at the World Junior Championships-2017, 13th in Sprint and 16th in Pursuit. At the Junior Open European Championships in 2017 she achieved 2nd in Pursuit.

Congratulations to Megan Banks as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Evan Marineau - Freestyle Skiing Slopestyle

Evan is a member of the Canadian National Next Generation Halfpipe Ski Team. He is currently ranked 5th by the FIS Junior Ranking System. Evan finished 1st in the halfpipe at the Canadian Open Tour. He placed 7th in the 2016 Youth Olympics. Evan attends Calgary Academy where he was awarded the Perseverance Award. Evan's Coach names him one of Canada's top up and coming freestyler.

Congratulations to Evan Marineau as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Marika Nadal - Short Track Speed Skating.

Marika is the highest ranking Alberta female short track speed skating athlete. She is currently ranked 16th in the Canadian national Senior Ranking System, At the most recent 2016/17 Intercontinent invitational she finished in the top ten in the 500 m(5th place), 1000m,(6th) and 1500m(6th).

Congratulations to Marika Nadal as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

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Madison Pearman - Long Track Speed Skating

Madison is developing into one of the best Junior Long Track Speed skaters. She represented Canada twice at the World Junior Speed Skating Championships. Madison is now recognized by Speed Skating Canada and Owns the Podium as a next Generation Athlete. As she continues to progress in her development as a neo senior and is currently ranked in the top three Neo seniors in Canada in the 1500m.

Congratulations to Madison Pearman as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Martin Corbett – Long Track Speed Skating

Martin has been involved in long track speed skating for a number of years dedicating his time and effort to making his Olympic dream a reality. In 2014-15 Martin made his first two world cup appearances and performed very well. In 2016-17 Martin set new personal bests in the 1500m and 1000m events unfortunately he suffered a concussion that set him back briefly. He is an exceptional talent and has a positive work ethic that he brings to the team each and every day.

He has been a coach and volunteer for the Special Olympics Calgary speed skating for the past four years bringing his skill and knowledge to the athletes he has the privilege to work with. They enjoy working with him. He hopes to represent Canada in 1018.

Congratulations Martin as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Alison Desmarais – Short Track Speed Skating

Alison is a short track speed skater who began her career in 2013 while living in Price George BC. Since then she has improved rapidly in her chosen sport. She was selected to the Canada games team representing BC at the Winter Games where she performed extremely well. She has moved to Calgary to attend university and pursue her athletic dreams full time. She is now ranked 15th nationally among the elite short track speed skaters in Canada following the Fall World Cup Team selections.

She also gives back, coaching at her former club as well as her new club to younger athletes to help them pursue their dreams.

Congratulations Alison as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

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Haley Daniels – White Water Slalom Canoeing

Haley is a trailblazer in the sport of white water slalom canoeing for women. She has dedicated much of her life in pursuit of excellence, traveling to Europe to compete in three World Cups in 2016. Canadian Champion in 2015 and 2016 she continues to improve and compete at the highest level in the world. Bronze medalist at the Pan American Games in 2015. She has set her sights on Tokyo, Japan the Olympic Games in 2020

Congratulations Haley as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.

Jessie Loutit - Rowing

Jessie is a quiet, humble, and accomplished athlete. She leads by example, is a positive person, and is an integral member of the Calgary Rowing Club. In 2015 she represented Canada at the World University Games in Gwangju, Korea, and most recently, Jessie competed at the National Rowing Championships on an all Alberta crew winning a bronze medal. Her goal is to become a member of the Canadian National Team and represent Canada in rowing at the World Championships.

Congratulations to Jessie Loutit as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner

Jaclyn LaBerge - Skeleton

Jaclyn is known to be relentless in her determination, drive, and hunger. She is an ambitious, humble, and responsible team player. She has met with success in her endeavour to become an elite athlete in the sport of Skeleton. Most recently, she placed 3rd at the 2016-2017 Canadian Championships and in the InterContinental Cup circuit, she was ranked 5th overall.

Jaclyn has been working hard for the past 10 years, keeping her eye on her ultimate goal – representing Canada at the Winter Olympics.

Congratulations to Jaclyn LaBerge as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner

Dylan Marineau - Freestyle Skiing (Slopestyle)

Dylan is passionate about his sport and shows determination in his pursuits. He is currently a member of the Alberta Park & Pipe Freestyle Team. His excellent work ethic, desire, teamwork, and commitment to the sport will serve him well in his future endeavors in the sport.

Dylan has progressed quickly to become one of Alberta's top freestyle skiers. His aspiration is to become a member of the National Next Gen team.

Congratulations to Dylan Marineau as a 2017 Calgary Booster Club Endowment winner.



CONGRATULATIONS

2017 Sportsman of the Year Jack Gregory

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University / College Athlete Awards

SAIT**SAIT Trojans Female Athlete of the Year:**

Cora Sutton, SAIT Trojans Women's Hockey (#4, Defense, 5th year, Architectural Technologies, Kamloops, British Columbia)

Cora Sutton finished her fifth and final season with the SAIT Trojans women's hockey team with her best result ever, leading her team to an Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC) silver medal. This season, she earned her fourth-straight ACAC All-Conference selection. Off the ice, Sutton is an honours student, who has been active in the community in all five years at SAIT.

SAIT Trojans Male Athlete of the Year:

Dean Allison, SAIT Trojans Men's Hockey (#27, Defense, 4th year, Business, Surrey, British Columbia)

Dean Allison was named his team's captain in just his second season with the club. The forward finished third in the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC) with 38 points (14 goals, 24 assists) in 28 games. Allison's efforts led the Trojans to an ACAC bronze medal - their fourth medal in five years — and earned him an ACAC All-Conference First Team selection. Off the ice, Allison is an honours student and is active in various Trojans' outreach initiatives.

University of Calgary

**Alex Bader – Men's Volleyball**

In his second season with the Dinos, and fourth year of eligibility, Alex Bader has been named a Calgary Booster Club Scholar-Athlete. The Calgary native currently has a 3.85 GPA in the Faculty of Science. Bader started in every single match during the 2016-17 season as an outside hitter for the Dinos men's volleyball team. He was only one of two players to reach triple digits in kills on the season, recording 258 for an average of 2.80 per set. He also added 125 digs, 42 blocks and 17 aces over the course of the season.

Alexander Gall – Men's Track and Field

Third-year Alexander Gall has been named a Calgary Booster Club Scholar-Athlete for the first time in his career with the Dinos track and field team. The Calgary native currently holds

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a 3.90 GPA in the Faculty of Kinesiology. On the track, his speciality in the 60m hurdles earned him a Canada West gold medal at the conference championships.

Megan Grenon – Women’s Hockey

Finishing off her five-year career with the University of Calgary women’s hockey team, Megan Grenon has been named a Calgary Booster Club Scholar-Athlete. In the Haskayne School of Business, Grenon currently has a GPA of 3.88. The Calgary native captained the women’s hockey team in her fifth and final season with the Dinos, scoring five points and adding 21 shots on defence.

Tianna Rissling – Women’s Swimming

Fifth-year Tianna Rissling has been named a Calgary Booster Club Scholar-Athlete for the third time in her career as a Dino. Rissling currently holds a 4.00 GPA in the Faculty of Kinesiology and has consistently been named a U SPORTS Academic All-Canadian throughout her time with the University of Calgary Dinos swim team. The Redcliff, Alta. Native won a U SPORTS breaststroke gold (50m), silver (200m) and bronze (100m) at the national championships in February.

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Mount Royal University



In 2016, Cougar Night introduced the Brian Fleming Award. The award encompasses athletics, leadership, academics and community involvement over a student athlete's career at MRU. It was very fitting that the two alums chosen to emcee the evening were last year's winners, Jordan Parkin and Jenna Smith.

Jordan and Jenna, both former volleyball players, honoured a pair of hockey players with the prestigious awards in 2017. **Cam Maclise (Men's Hockey)** and **Sarah Weninger (Women's Hockey)** were named **this year's recipients of the Brian Fleming Awards**. Both Sarah and Cam were top players on their teams and influential members of the Mount Royal community.

Sarah's outstanding community service was recognized with the Marion Hillard Award at the USPORTS National Championships in Kingston, Ontario. Her work with the HEROS Hockey program had one of the most profound impacts on the community in recent memory.

Cam Maclise was widely recognized as one of the top university hockey players in the nation. Maclise was unable to attend Cougar Night after signing with the Colorado Eagles of the ECHL. While excelling on the ice, Cam was even better in the classroom. He was recognized as an Academic All-Canadian each year he was at Mount Royal and will be a highly sought-after commodity in the financial world when his hockey career is over.

Connor Rankin took home **Male Athlete of the Year** honours after a breakout sophomore season with the men's hockey team. Connor became the first men's hockey player in program history to lead Canada West in scoring. Connor was named to the Canada West First All-Star Team and the USPORTS Second All-Star Team. He finished the 2016-17 season with 17 goals, 18 assists and 35 points, despite appearing in only 26 games.

Women's Volleyball **Libero Maddi Quinn** took home the **Female Athlete of the Year Award**. Quinn led the Cougars to their second straight playoff appearance and third in program history. She led the entire conference in digs with 352, 34 more than her closest competitor. Her 352 digs were the fourth-most ever recorded in a Canada West season. Quinn was widely regarded as one of the best defensive players not only in Canada West but in the entire nation.

Former Prince Albert Raiders star defenceman Jesse Lees took home the **Male Rookie of the Year Award**. Jesse was second in the league in scoring by a defenceman with 7 goals, 13 assists and 20 points. He was named to the Canada West and USPORTS All-Rookie Team. Jesse was the quarterback of Mount Royal's power play that was rated the highest in the conference for the entire season.

The **Female Rookie of the Year** was a tight race this season as a number of rookies stood out on the female side. Ultimately, it was **Carly Neis** of the women's soccer team who took home the honour. In her rookie season, Neis led the Cougars in goals and points. She accounted for 27.2% of her team's total offence and led them to the playoffs for the second straight season.

Calgary Booster Club Citizen Award Recipients 2016 - 2017



Alessio Carello, Grade 9 - Alessio is a competitive ice dancer and diligent student who is renowned for helping his peers both in and outside of the classroom. However, Alessio claims that he was not always a model student or citizen: years ago, he asked to use the bathroom, then he sneakily spent his time throwing wads of wet paper towels onto the ceiling. Thankfully, he has matured and improved his work habits. Through years of hard work, and shorter bathroom breaks, he has achieved excellence in his life. Alessio embodies excellence in understanding the dedication it takes to be a competitive ice dancer, a committed student, and a reliable friend. His day starts at 5am every morning, and despite this, he remains extremely focused throughout the school day. He continually exudes a positive attitude with a warm sense of humour, and his peers have all mentioned how likeable he is. In fact, many NSS students look up to Alessio as a role model of the culture of excellence. He is usually the first person to offer his assistance, and it hasn't gone unnoticed. Alessio hopes to continue to find the best in himself and to inspire others. Congratulations Alessio!

Isla Hawkins, Grade 10 - Isla is always putting others before herself; she will talk to anyone about anything whenever they are feeling down. She is very determined and hardworking in all of her classes and outside of the school. Whenever you see Isla in the hallway, she will flash you a smile and ask you how your day is going. Her pleasant attitude is so contagious; it spreads to those around her. Isla is an active member of our leadership team and the yearbook committee. She is always the first person to step up and initiate fundraising events and team building exercises, like: organizing clothing orders, selling candy grams at Christmas and Valentine's Day, and helping to organize the COP clean up. Isla's leadership skills promote themselves with everything she does. She is a true leader and community builder at school, and she is very deserving of this award. Thank you, and congratulations, Isla Hawkins.

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Nakia Kamachi, Grade 11 - Alpine skier Nakia Kamachi is a quiet and friendly student who is active in her community and her ski team on behalf of NSS. Nakia participates in many volunteering initiatives like: the Easter Seals Camp Horizon, where she visits and sings with disabled adult campers; fundraising for the Easter Seals through bike and hike events; volunteering at the Calgary Stampede; participating in the annual Ride for Will event and the Redwood Meadows Volunteer Fire Department by offering her face-painting and photography talents; planting food with Grow Calgary alongside NSS students; and the annual Run for the Cure campaign for the last five years in a row. Nakia is extremely considerate, and she is constantly willing to help her ski coaches with the handling of equipment on the hill. Her never-ending support and encouragement of her teammates and peers has been greatly appreciated by those around her. Nakia's commitment to giving back to her community while excelling in sport and academics makes her a very deserving young woman for this award. Congratulations Nakia!

Omid Raoufian, Grade 12 - Omid Raoufian was a wonderful contributor of our school and community. His kind and approachable personality made everyone feel included. Omid has been skiing for thirteen years and has been competitively racing for six years at many different events across North America, including 3 bronze medals at the Canadian Nationals in back to back years, and a silver medal at Canada Winter Games. He is ranked 3rd in Canada in the slalom discipline and has many junior national medals. Omid contributed to the NSS community through various opportunities in leadership and volunteer roles such as the Leadership group, Grow Calgary, Yearbook committee, emceeding our annual Awards Evening, and speaking at our school closing ceremony. Omid also volunteers with the SoccAbility program, teaching kids with various disabilities and special needs to play soccer and learn to adapt and be healthy despite their circumstances. Through this program, Omid has seen remarkable improvement in their physical life as well as their mental well-being. At his work, at Sport Check, Omid advises customers at various events and promotes the National Sport School as the key to a successful athletic career as well as academic achievement in school. Upon graduating from the NSS, Omid enrolled in the Child and Youth Care Counselling program at Mount Royal University. Omid embodies what it is to be a great citizen of the National Sport School community. Thank you, and congratulations, Omid!



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.

Our partnership with the Calgary Senior High School Athletic Association goes back to 1956 when we presented our first scholarship to Jack Sharpe of Western Canada for the inaugural Harry Hood Memorial Football Award. Since then we have honoured and recognized 477 individual high school winners for a total of \$318,500 and an additional 286 student athletes with maximum participation scholarships in the last 24 years for another \$96,500. This amounts to a total investment of \$415,000 for outstanding student athletes in the C.S.H.S.A.A. program.

For more information on how to apply for the Gretta Schwartz and John Mayell \$3000 Scholarships, go to www.calgaryboosterclub.com. The deadline for applying is May 18, 2017.



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And congratulations to the Athletes of the Year:

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Sarah McCarthy

as well as all the Honoured Athletic Leaders. Thank you for making Calgary an amazing city for sport!



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