



MILTON
SPORTS
HALL OF FAME

Class of 2022
Induction Ceremony
Thursday, November 17, 2022

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Message from Mayor Gord Krantz

On behalf of Milton Town Council, I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of those in attendance at this induction ceremony.

Thank you to the organizing committee for hosting this induction ceremony for the Milton Sports Hall of Fame. Your ongoing commitment and support for this project helps celebrate our history and legacy in sports.

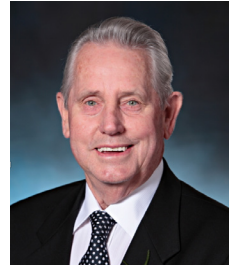
As a dynamic, diverse and growing community, we continue to invest in facilities, programs and initiatives to promote healthy and active living. However, while Milton is growing, we continue to take pride in our roots and the heritage that defines our Town.

I hope visitors to the Milton Sports Hall of Fame learn more about our past, recall fond memories of great sporting moments, and celebrate the impressive achievements of our hometown athletes.

Congratulations to all of tonight's inductees!



Mayor Gordon Krantz



Board of Directors



Back Row Left to Right: Bob (Pie) Lee, Glenn Turner, Joe Yaworski, (Chair), Uwe Samstag-Schnock, Neel Bhatt, Rod McLachlan, Greg Ollerenshaw.

Front Row: Kelly Guard, Martha Gleason, Linda Lipari, Sandy Holloway.

Not Pictured: Drew Todd.

Message from the Chairman



On behalf of the Milton Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors and myself, I welcome you to the Induction Ceremony for the Class of 2022.

We acknowledge the land we are celebrating on today. It is the traditional territory of many Indigenous peoples. Many of our sports today have their roots in the recreational activities created by them.

I offer my congratulations and thanks to Jack Robarts (posthumously), Glenn Turner, Keith Pearce, Nancy McDonell-Lemaire and Steve LeBlanc collectively the “Class of 2022”, for their invaluable contributions to sports, for entertaining us and inspiring us to reach for the stars.

Scott Hogarth, Class of 2016, says “Welcome to the 110% Club”.

The Milton Sports Hall of Fame is committed to recognize, honour and preserve the sports accomplishments and contributions of our sporting community. The Sports Hall of Fame Board researches, collects, exhibits and promotes the history significant to sport in Milton.

I offer a heartfelt “Thank You” to our sponsors, to the Board for their tireless efforts, to the Milton Town Council, who endorsed this year’s Inductees, to Town Staff and to the volunteers for their assistance to make tonight’s event happen.

Thank you to all of the guests here today to formally recognize excellence in sports in Milton.

These Inductees have all excelled in their chosen sports at the local level, beyond Milton and on the world stage as well.

A video of today’s inductions will be available on our website later this year.

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A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Yaworski". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Joe Yaworski, Chairman Milton Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors

Nominations for 2023 are Now Open

Visit our website to nominate an athlete, team, or builder for the Class of 2023.

www.miltonsportshof.com/pages/nominations

Master of Ceremonies – Melissa Candelaria

Melissa Candelaria had an extensive career in both radio and television for the past 13 years. She’s worked in Fort McMurray, Alberta, Muskoka and Halton Region. She spent 11 of her 13 years working with YourTV sharing stories, news and special programs to the local community. She now works for the Government of Ontario.



Working in radio and television has helped Melissa make community connections, especially in the world of local sports. She took part in the Band on the Run event with the Huntsville Fire Department racing in full fire gear, and raising money for a local charity. She raced in the TriMuskoka Sprint Triathlon, volunteered as a finish line cheerleader in the Half Ironman, was on the Hockey Canada U18 Women’s Championship planning committee and has emceed the Huntsville Sports Hall of Fame Gala.

“Milton is such a vibrant community with so many opportunities for people to get involved in sport,” said Melissa. She also believes sports are vital to children’s development. “My three-year-old daughter is enrolled in a couple of sports activities, and she is already building her strength, discipline and confidence. Qualities that will take her beyond the world of sport.”

Agenda – Milton Sports Hall of Fame Induction

Cocktail Hour

Wall of Fame Unveiling..... Joe Yaworski & 2022 Inductees

Video: Great MSHOF Moments 2016-2022

Welcome Melissa Candelaria, Master of Ceremonies

Piping of Inductee..... Dave Punton

Opening Remarks Joe Yaworski

..... Mayor Gord Krantz

Sports Camp Athletes of 2022..... Reid Bender & Quinn Petrie

Inductions Jack Roberts (posthumously), Steve LeBlanc,

..... Glenn Turner, Keith Pearce, Nancy McDonell-Lemaire

Closing Remarks Melissa Candelaria

Social

Past Inductees

Inductee	Category	Sport	Year
Steve Condren	Athlete	Horse Racing	2020
Travis Gerrits	Athlete	Freestyle Skiing (Aerials)	2020
Darren Haydar	Athlete	Ice Hockey	2019
Scott Hogarth	Athlete	Martial Arts	2016
Bob Kranstz	Athlete	Jiu-Jitsu	2018
Darlene Kranstz	Athlete	Martial Arts (Jiu-Jitsu)	2020
Peter McDuffe	Athlete	Ice Hockey	2017
Enio Scisizzi	Athlete	Ice Hockey	2017
Neil Teague	Athlete	Softball	2019
John Tonelli	Athlete	Ice Hockey	2016
Ed Whitlock	Athlete	Athletics	2016
Dave Brush	Builder	Ice Hockey/Baseball	2018
Martha Gleeson & Pat Gleeson	Builder	Basketball	2020
Bradley Grant	Builder	Ice Hockey	2018
Janet Campbell	Builder	Gymnastics	2019
Bruce Hood	Builder	Ice Hockey	2017
Cliff Houston	Builder	Ice Hockey/Baseball/Tennis	2017
Jim Leworthy	Builder	Lacrosse	2018
Carole Murray	Builder	Swimming	2016
Jim Ridley	Builder	Baseball	2019
Bill Rowney	Builder	Ice Hockey	2020
Leon Stickle	Builder	Ice Hockey	2019
Campbellville Merchants	Team	Baseball	2016
E.C. Drury Spartans	Team	Freestyle Wrestling	2017
Milton Jr. A Merchants '96-'98	Team	Ice Hockey	2018

Class of 2022

Jack Roberts	Athlete	Baseball	2022
Nancy McDonnell-Lemaire	Builder	Figure Skating	2022
Steve LeBlanc	Builder	Sports Writer	2022
Keith Pearce	Builder	Football	2022
Glenn Turner	Builder	Baseball	2022

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Jack Roberts | Baseball

A T H L E T E



Jack Roberts was born in the hamlet of Campbellville in 1934. After a notable juvenile-level career in his hometown, a newly formed Intermediate team, the Campbellville Merchants, was eager to bring the young pitcher into the fold when its players first stepped onto the field, under the direction of Len Andrews, in 1952.

Over the course of his stellar amateur career, the southpaw hurler would win 180 games for his “Village Nine” team, dropping only 46 decisions, recording a winning percentage of .796.

The Merchants’ fans instantly took to their star, as his 1.89 earned run average propelled Campbellville to an unheard of 12 Ontario titles in 16 years. In a village of merely 300 residents at the time, it was not unusual for 1,400 or more fans to pack the Old Ball Park to see their ace terrorizing opponents’ line-ups.

Nicknamed “Banana” for the way he intimidated batters with sidearm pitches that appeared to be headed straight for left-handed opponents, Jack’s victories accounted for 43.5% of the team’s 411 wins during a 16-year reign of domination, of which he pitched in 15 seasons.

The zenith of his powers came quite possibly in 1966, when at age 32 he pitched two back-to-back no-hitters in the Ontario Baseball Association’s final series. Only a single error in each game prevented him a perfect 18 innings, as he did not walk a single batter in either match.

Jack passed away in 2022 at the age of 87, secure in the knowledge he held one of the greatest amateur pitching careers this province has ever seen.

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Steve LeBlanc diligently covered local sports for The Milton Canadian Champion for 25 years and was the longest serving sports reporter in the newspaper's 160-year history.

Acting as a trusted steward, Steve meticulously reported on everything from local minor championships, rising stars, and international professionals.

Through it all, Steve was the conduit through which Miltonians could not only follow their sons' and daughters' exploits at the rink, field or pitch, but

also find pride in those who had risen to the global or national sports scene and were representing Milton on the big stage.

Steve's consummate approach saw him ride shotgun on numerous road trips from Ontario Minor Hockey Association (OMHA) Junior A hockey to provincial high school championships, and more.

Another hallmark of Steve's coverage would be to relentlessly call down to the local rink staff late at night to find out if any word could be had on the outcome of this week's story of interest.

Though minor league local sports have always been Steve's bread and butter, the 2015 Pan-Am Games, with its Milton-based track cycling, are a highlight of his sports reporting career to be sure.

While it is difficult to quantify Steve's impact on the town's sporting history or landscape, unquestionably there is not a single inductee of the Milton Sports Hall of Fame that Steve has failed to profile.

In recognition of his dedication to his journalistic craft, Steve has repeatedly been granted industry awards, and in 2011-12 he received the OMHA Media Award.

Always striving to respectfully treat each new story with diligence and perspective, Steve has been the Town of Milton's author of record and its sporting history's caretaker. He has always "championed" Milton.

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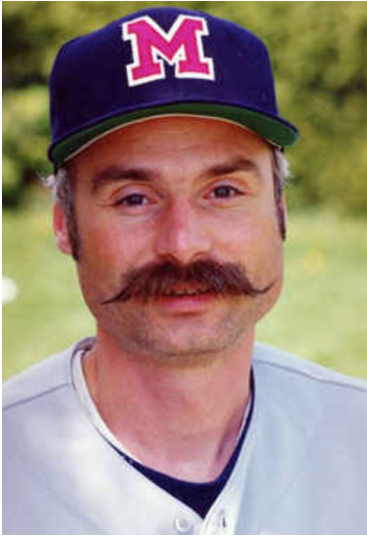
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Glenn Turner | Baseball

B U I L D E R



No one in Milton has contributed to baseball as long and as fully as Glenn Turner. As a five-year-old, he first came to love the game and played minor ball from 1960-76, winning Ontario Baseball Association (OBA) titles twice.

He continued to find new ways to contribute when he took up umpiring for the rep minor league from 1974 to the early 1990's.

It was in his teens when Glenn got his first taste of coaching, first with house league and

then as an assistant for the local bantams. From there, he would go on to coach Milton's juvenile- and junior-level teams for 15 years, again winning two provincial championships.

In 1977, Glenn and some others formed the Milton senior team. He shone as their catcher and centre fielder, earning MVP honours in 1981. Glenn stepped up to become player-coach, before graduating to Red Sox general manager in 1987. Under his watch as GM, they won four OBA championships and have been finalists three times.

In all, he has been to 13 OBA finals as a player, coach or general manager.

Glenn took particular pride in the diamond maintenance at the then-new Brian Best Park in 1978, doing so for 33 years before serving as advisor to the Town on the creation of two new Community Park diamonds more recently.

In 2008, Glenn was Milton Chamber of Commerce Sportsman of the Year. To this day, he remains active as the Milton Red Sox's GM.

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Keith Pearce began working at Milton District High School (MDHS) in 1986, and he instantly recognized a void in not only his school's athletic offerings, but also within the Town of Milton.

Initially working alongside Keith Swarbrick and Doug Foley with the existing Junior squad, which was seeing success, Coach Pearce set to work at MDHS on building up Milton's first winning, organized Senior football program. His first steps were to reinstate the school's inactive senior team.

At the outset, Keith's goals were lofty considering that no other secondary school in Milton had a senior-level football program, and there were no minor football organizations either. Thus began a labour of love each season that saw Keith methodically start each year with sessions on how to put equipment on, the game's rules, positions, and other idiosyncrasies.

Over the next 30-plus years, Keith's grassroots efforts sprung to life, germinating an idea into a reality for hundreds of Milton youth who felt like they finally had a place where they could grow, flourish, and belong. That was in the "Blue and White" team colours.

"The Mustang Brotherhood," as it came to be known, won four Senior titles and was a finalist eight times under the leadership of Coach Pearce and his successful coaching staff over the years. The Mustang football factory churned out countless university football graduates – some of them All-Canadian All-Stars, a few of them Canadian Football League players. All of them thankful for Keith's guidance, direction, and mentorship.

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Nancy McDonell-Lemaire | Figure Skating

B U I L D E R



Nancy McDonell-Lemaire first began her skating journey in 1973 with the Milton Skating Club at the Brown Street Arena. She skated competitively up to the junior level before switching to coaching.

For over 30 years Nancy has guided figure skating's next generations as their coach and mentor, all the while taking Milton Skating Club from a very small operation to one of Skate Canada's largest and ever-prominent clubs.

Nancy's impact is limitless. From three-year-old CanSkate newbies to Canadian Olympians, her passion for teaching is without bounds.

Time after time, Nancy's former pupils have gone on to become certified instructors themselves, returning to the same rinks of their youth to follow Nancy in her pursuit to pass along the skating skills necessary to conquer an axel or merely to glide unaided up the ice for the first time.

Nancy's dedication to her craft is evident in her lifelong commitment to stay behind that extra hour, to travel that extra mile to an event, and most importantly to provide that extra care and calm at overseas competitions.

Her accomplishments extend beyond the rink to the successful implementation of a high-performance sports program in Halton's elementary and secondary schools, affording elite skaters more opportunities to train while still receiving an education. It is a program that has been replicated by many other local high-performance athletes and organizations.

At the time of her induction, Nancy is Milton Skating Club's technical director, a national- and Olympic-level coach, and a positive role model to countless more. It is clear she has imparted a sense that representing Milton comes before oneself upon the skaters she has uplifted.

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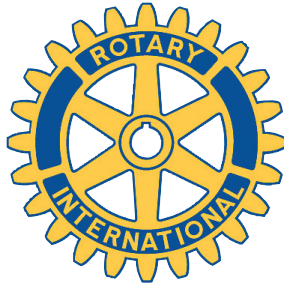
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Funding for tonight's event has been received from the Milton Community Fund and from the Sponsors listed in this program.

Merchandise Locker Room

We have partnered with Baron Rings, famous for their Toronto Raptors and other celebration/championship rings. Inductees can now purchase either a Milton Sports Hall of Fame ring or pendant that is unique to them. It will include the year of induction, their name, and the sport they were inducted for.

The rings and pendants can be purchased by the Inductees themselves or could be bought by family or friends to commemorate this wonderful achievement.

These can be purchased at any time and do not have to be bought in the year of induction. We hope that you will display and wear these proudly and continue to represent the Milton Sports Hall of Fame.



Now available for family and friends of the Inductees, friends of the Hall, and the general public, “Milton Sports Hall of Fame” gold or silver ring hoodies.

To order, please visit www.miltonsportshof.com/pages/baron



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“Journey to the Hall”

2022 Milton Sports Hall of Fame Sports Camp



The Milton Sports Hall of Fame held its second sports camp this past July. The camp fosters a passion for sports and athleticism while teaching healthy competition and leadership skills. One day, it would be awesome to see one or more of these young athletes come full circle and be inducted into Milton’s Hall of Fame. The camp is just another step in their ‘Journey to the Hall’.

The camp was a unique experience where community sports organizations, high school physical education teachers, World Champion athletes and qualified volunteers instructed Milton’s young athletes. The action-packed week of activities included baseball, softball, ball hockey, basketball, soccer, flag football, field hockey, lacrosse, ultimate frisbee and leadership activities. These activities challenged athletes while providing a fun experience.

Each day featured motivational speakers who discussed various topics including succeeding in sports and in life. The athletes were highly motivated by daily presentations by some of Milton’s own Hall of Famers.

The Milton Sports Hall of Fame is very thankful to the many individuals, sponsors and organizations who have assisted us with “JOURNEY TO THE HALL-2022”, including: Aimco Solrec, Cotton Candy, Jason Tavares—Market Drive Tim Hortons, Milton Edge, Milton Ford-Lincoln, Milton Menace, Milton Soccer Academy, Milton Stags, Ollie’s Roofing, RBC (Olympian Program), Robert ‘Pie’ Lee Insurance, Team Gent Fitness, and Ultimate Window Tinting.

This year’s “Athletes of the Week” are Reid Bender and Quinn Petrie.

The 2023 Sports Camp will be held July 17-24. The camp is open to 80 young athletes ages 9 to 12.

Athlete Registration and Sponsorship inquiries can be sent to mshofcamp@gmail.com.

Milton Sports Hall of Fame

Milton has a rich sporting history; many elite-level athletes were born, grew up or have moved into Milton.

The Milton Sports Hall of Fame is a not-for-profit organization. The Board members are all volunteers who work together to formally recognize Milton's top athletes, teams and sports builders. The Milton Sports Hall of Fame pays tribute to those who have brought us so much excitement and pride.

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We are very proud of the Milton Sports Wall of Fame in the Milton Sports Centre and the Milton Sports Hall of Fame online presence. The Wall of Fame includes static and video history of the Inductees, present and past.

THE 2023 INDUCTION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 16, 2023.

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