



MILTON
SPORTS
HALL OF FAME

Class of 2023
Induction Ceremony
Thursday, November 16, 2023

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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 this evening at this 7th 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!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gord Krantz".

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, I welcome you to the Induction Ceremony for the Class of 2023.

This will certainly be a memorable evening as we induct 5 more into the Hall, to celebrate their athleticism and to show our appreciation for the entertainment that they have provided to us and their selfless efforts in building sport in Milton.

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" for the tireless efforts of the Board, to the Milton Town Council (who endorsed this year's Inductees), to Town Staff for their support and to all of our sponsors and volunteers. Thank you to all of the guests here today for helping us formally recognize excellence in sports in Milton.

On behalf of the Board, I congratulate and thank, David Anderson, Leigh Armstrong, Mildred (Millie) Evans (posthumously), Dan Loiselle and the Milton Oldstars Hockey Club, collectively now known as the "Class of 2023", for their invaluable contributions to sports, for entertaining us and for teaching us and future Miltonians to reach for the stars. Welcome to the "100% Club".

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

A video of today's inductions will be available on our website later this year.
www.MiltonSportsHoF.com

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Yaworski".

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

Nominations for 2024 are Now Open

Visit our website to nominate an athlete, team, or builder for the Class of 2024.
www.miltonsportshof.com/pages/nominations



Master of Ceremonies – Jim Kenzie



Jim Kenzie has been Canada’s foremost automotive journalist for four decades.

Weekly columns in The Toronto Star Wheels section (38 years) and “Kenzie’s Korner” on TSN’s Motoring TV (35 years) reflected his often-unique views on cars and driving.

His work now appears on www.vicariousmag.com.

His engineering background (B. A. Sc., University of Toronto) gives him added credibility in this increasingly technical world.

He has been a professional-grade race / rally driver since his early-twenties.

Jim has also been a life-long campaigner for safer roads and vehicles, and improved driver training and licencing.

He has been a singer and guitar player in a rock ‘n’ roll band (“The Compleat Works on their Mid-Life Crisis Tour”) since before their repertoire were “oldies”!

Jim lives in Halton Hills Ontario with his ever-indulgent wife Sandra. He keeps his lovely 1977 American Motors Hornet hatchback in his Barn.

Agenda – Milton Sports Hall of Fame Induction

Cocktail Hour, Escarpment Hall (Lobby)

Induction Ceremony, Mattamy Theatre

Piping of Inductees..... Dave Punton, Jr.

On-stage Inductee Panel Unveiling..... Joe Yaworski & Inductees

Video: Great MSHOF Moments 2016-2022

Welcome Jim Kenzie, Master of Ceremonies

Opening Remarks Joe Yaworski, Chairman MSHoF

.....Mayor Gord Krantz

Sports Camp Athletes of 2023.....Erin Holloway & Colton Dickson

Inductions Leigh Armstrong, Millie Evans (posthumously), David Anderson,

..... Dan Loiselle, Milton Oldstars

Closing RemarksJim Kenzie

Social with Inductees..... Escarpment Hall (Lobby)

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 Kranztz	Athlete	Jiu-Jitsu	2018
Darlene Kranztz	Athlete	Martial Arts (Jiu-Jitsu)	2020
Peter McDuffe	Athlete	Ice Hockey	2017
Jack Roberts	Athlete	Baseball	2022
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
Steve LeBlanc	Builder	Sports Writer	2022
Jim Leworthy	Builder	Lacrosse	2018
Nancy McDonnell-Lemaire	Builder	Figure Skating	2022
Carole Murray	Builder	Swimming	2016
Keith Pearce	Builder	Football	2022
Jim Ridley	Builder	Baseball	2019
Bill Rowney	Builder	Ice Hockey	2020
Leon Stickle	Builder	Ice Hockey	2019
Glenn Turner	Builder	Baseball	2022
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 2023

David Anderson	Athlete	Lawn Bowling	2023
Leigh Armstrong	Athlete	Curling	2023
Mildred (Millie) Evans	Athlete	5 Pin Bowling	2023
Dan Loiselle	Builder	Horse Racing, Announcer	2023
Milton Oldstars Hockey Club	Builder	Fundraising	2023

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Leigh Armstrong | Curling

A T H L E T E



Only a select few find the drive within to not only master a sport, but also rise to international renown. Leigh Armstrong began curling in the 1980s and became known in curling circles as the one to watch.

Getting her feet wet in novice-level bonspiels at Milton Curling Club, quickly led to a touring career—first locally and later globally.

Representing W.I. Dick Middle School, Leigh was the first female skip to win the Elementary School Provincial Championship in 1996. That was a huge

stepping stone into her bantam and junior career, winning a total of 7 provincial championships, three of them representing Ontario at the Canadian Junior Championships. Notably she won a provincial championship at every position - lead, second, vice and skip before the age of 18.

Shortly after Leigh's junior career, she became a Canadian Mixed Champion in 2006, winning gold for Ontario with Team John Epping in Whitehorse.

Not surprisingly Sherry Middaugh came calling in 2010—the start of a new Olympic cycle—scooping up Leigh as the team's new lead curler. With their sights set on Sochi 2014, Leigh and Team Middaugh reached the gold medal game at the Canadian Olympic qualifier, which was known as The Roar of the Rings, losing out to eventual Olympic champion Jennifer Jones.

With an eye to the grassroots, Leigh became Chair of The Dominion Curling Club Championships and grew the event into the largest participated curling event in the world. The Dominion Championships have also raised thousands to support various spinal cord injury chapters across Canada.

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Mildred (Millie) Evans | 5-Pin Bowling

A T H L E T E



Trailblazer, role model and barrier-breaker. Mildred Evans was born in Milton in 1924. She attended Bruce Street Public School and Milton High School, where she was always an outstanding athlete, taking part in various sports along the way.

Millie served in WWII as a member of the Milton Canadian Auxiliary Territorial Service, and in 1943 she entered the Royal Canadian Air Force (RCAF) as a member of Class #2 of the School of Photography in Rockcliffe, Ontario.

She received the rank of Captain and while in the RCAF starred on the baseball, track and field, and basketball teams.

In 1946, she joined the Oakwood Ladies Fastball League and excelled in playing fastball

and became a member of the Toronto Kalyx Fastball Team.

Her true love came at the bowling alley, and in 1999 Millie was named the top female five-pin “Bowler of the Century” by the Ontario Master’s Bowling Association (MBA).

Over three decades on the circuit Millie racked up the accolades. She held an incredible 250-point average and enjoyed the rare feat of a perfect game in 1970 with the Olympia Mixed Major League.

Millie was at her best when it counted the most, winning 13 Masters Tournament titles — a record that still stands until today.

Millie was inducted into the 5-Pin Bowlers’ Hall of Fame in 1986 and was a titleholder of nine Ontario Bowling Championships between 1955-1972.

In 2019, Millie was recognized by the Canadian Federation of University Women (CFUW) as one of Milton’s top 100 leading women trailblazers.



BASEBALL MILTON



★ Milton Oldstars Hockey Club ★

David Anderson | Lawn Bowling

A T H L E T E



Milton has been and is the origin for numerous homegrown high-performance athletes, but just as important has been the town's allure to those seeking a new place to hone their craft and grow their sport.

Hailing from St. Lambert, Quebec, where he got his start bowling with his grandfather at age 9, David Anderson moved to Milton in the year 2000. One of the deciding factors for his move was the fact that he felt the Milton Lawn Bowling Club was not only progressive, but also open to his drive to promote lawn bowling as a true sport.

Arriving in town with a resume that already included his first provincial title at age 16 and multiple trips to the Canadian National

Championships, the Milton Club quickly embraced its new star with a sense of gratitude and pride. Over the last 20 years, that appreciation for David's accomplishments has only grown.

In his quest to not only nurture the game, but also to elevate it, David has conquered all of the various lawn bowling disciplines, winning several provincial and national medals in each.

For over a decade David played for the Canadian national team, putting him into action with the world's best players at the sport's highest levels.

While David was recently recognized by the Ontario Lawn Bowls Association Hall of Fame in 2019, he continues to compete provincially and nationally.



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Dan Loiselle | Horse Racing Announcer

B U I L D E R



It is difficult to quantify passion and heart in sports, but if one were to measure the output of Dan Loiselle's love for Canadian horse racing, it would surely be off the charts. Proof positive of Dan's love affair with serving as Canada's premier announcer in the sport lies in the fact that he called more than 55,000 thoroughbred races, 28 editions of the Queen's Plate, and was the voice of record for the first million-dollar race in 1988.

It first began to get serious for Dan when he started working for The Ontario Jockey Club in 1967. But he didn't initially enter the scene with a sense of entitlement or expecting to come to great heights. It was more a sense of destiny.

Even though his parents and grandparents worked at the track and he essentially grew up trackside, he was his own worst critic when he initially took over the play-by-play reins from the legendary Woodbine announcer Daryl Wells, Sr.

Under the weight of his own self-imposed expectations to not only get it right, but also to develop his own personal style, Dan found his footing on the strength of an incredible memory for detail, which he used to weave a new and enticing narrative for every race, and for each special moment.

Much like a muscle car, Dan used his unique vocal timbre to change gears, even within the body of a race, transporting his listeners to the very edge of their seats, with wit, enthusiasm and even a drop of humour.

Dan recently retired from The Ontario Jockey Club and Woodbine Entertainment after an incredible 48 years in the industry.



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Milton Oldstars Hockey Club | Fundraising

B U I L D E R



In the winter of 1980-81 the “team from Milton” made their debut in a hockey tournament in eastern Ontario. The Milton Oldstars Hockey Club, as they came to be known, was made up of a mix of players of varying ability. However, they banded together to find success in their first tournament.

Besides their athletic ability, what became much more apparent was the group’s desire to make a difference in the community.

Rockwell International’s Milton plant general manager, Bruce Dolson, heard about the initiative at the time and provided hockey equipment to the entire team in the form of a sponsorship, on the condition that the team commit to find ways to raise funds for local community causes, particularly the hospital.

Fast forward, and over the years numerous local businesses have come and gone with their own sponsorship of the Oldstars, contributing vitally to the team’s pay-it-forward mission. Through it all the Oldstars have stayed true to that initial vision.

That charitable spirit evolved to support such diverse causes as healthcare, local sports teams, various worthy organizations and even individual causes. Nothing is too big or too small, even young players quietly needing a helping hand with sports registration fees.

In 2009, the Milton Chamber of Commerce recognized the Oldstars as “Fundraising Organization of the Year”.

The Milton Oldstars Hockey Club has remained dedicated to fundraising via an annual invitational charity hockey and golf tournaments. In all, the donations made by the club now exceed \$1 million and the group has represented Milton across Ontario.

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Milton Sports Hall of Fame Inductees**

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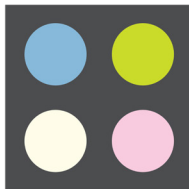


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Thank you to our Contributors and Supporters

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2023

MILTON SPORTS HALL OF FAME SPORTS CAMP

Below:
Sports Camp athletes (in green),
and Leaders (in blue and purple).



If you happened to be travelling past Milton District High School this past July, you may have noticed 90 happy and sweaty children running around the fields and baseball diamonds. We are proud to say this was our 3rd annual Sports Camp “Journey to the Hall”. This exciting week is the main fundraiser for our November Induction Ceremony. A big thank you to the parents who sent their athletes to join us in this fun-filled week!

Campers came to us with a wide range of athletic experience, and they spent an action packed week working on skills

old and new. In addition to competing in small group practices and games, our campers made new friends, worked on being good teammates and positive role models to younger campers.

Some highlights of the week include Dynamo Wrestling Club demonstrations, as well as Olympian Ali ten Hove speaking to the athletes about her sport of sailing, including her training, successes and challenges, and her goals for competing in the 2024 Olympics. Be sure to cheer her on next summer in Paris!

Thank you to the following organisations and individuals for volunteering their time to ensure this week such a success.

Milton Edge Volleyball (Shane Kilgour), Sleeveless Sports (Dean Woolley), Milton Mavericks (Bryan Gent & Jim and Cassie Leworthy), Milton Stags Basketball (Linda Lipari and Marsha Dorscht), Milton Soccer Academy (Uwe Samstag-Schnock), Milton Menace (Stephanie Tryfon), Guelph Minor Football (Sean Faulknor & Drew Todd), Milton Mets (Greg Ollerenshaw), Milton Bats (Nicole Hehn & Nicole Bester)

Tonight, we are excited to congratulate the Camp’s Athletes of the Week, Erin Holloway and Colton Dickson. They were chosen by their leaders for their hard work and the positive attitude they showed all week long. Congratulations Erin and Colton!

Stay tuned for our next Camp in July 2024. Ages 9-12.

Athlete registration and sponsorship inquiries can be sent to mshofcamp@gmail.com



2023 MSHOF SPORTS CAMP



Clockwise from top: Campers honing their skills in volleyball, ball hockey, sprinting, basketball, and Ultimate Frisbee Above: Campers with Canadian Olympic sailor Ali ten Hove.



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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.

The Milton Sports Hall of Fame enables us to recognize, honour and preserve the sports accomplishments and contributions to our sporting community. The Milton Sports Hall of Fame Board of Directors are committed to research, collect, exhibit and promote the history significant to the development of sport in Milton.

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 2024 INDUCTION CEREMONY WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY NOVEMBER 21, 2024.

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