



**Phyllis Wilson**  
On Hall of Fame board

**2022 induction**  
Saturday, Nov. 6, Prairieland Park

Serving on the Board of the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame has been a pleasure, as has being active most of my life. Cycling, which I took up seriously in my late 50s, has brought me the most pleasure.

From heading out in the countryside early in the morning in the spring and hearing my first meadowlark, to seeing the crops spring up and mature in the summer, and finally seeing the harvest and listening to the sandhill cranes gather for migration are things I

would never so intimately have experienced had I not ridden my bike.

I have cycled twice in Europe and that has been marvellous. Krakow to Budapest over 14 days showed me Eastern Europe up close and personal. Then riding in Provence for five days let me see all of those places I had only read about in novels. There is nothing like getting on my bike and going for a ride!

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**Athlete**  
Ron Friesen — diving  
Tim Kroeker — baseball  
Michael Linklater — basketball  
Natalie Lukiw — volleyball  
Cory Mantyka — football

**Builder**  
Ken Achs — drag racing  
Mark Loehndorf — football, softball, wrestling  
Brian Shalovelo — hockey, softball  
David Wassill — adaptive water skiing

**Team**  
2004-05 U of S Huskies men's & women's athletics

**Organization**  
Hilltops football

# Officially speaking

Hall inductees in the game from start to finish as a referee or umpire, linesman or scoring judge

List may be incomplete

Inductee, sport officiated,  
Hall of Fame honor



**BOB ADAMS** ..... athletics official  
Hall athlete: Athletics

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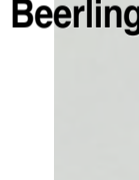
**CORA ANDREAS** ..... athletics official  
Hall team: 2000 Huskies athletics women (athlete)



**DENNIS BEERLING** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics

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**TONI BEERLING** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics



**LEN BELL** ..... baseball umpire  
Hall builder: Baseball



**RICK BEREZOWSKI** ..... football official  
Hall team: 1985 Hilltops football (equipment manager)



**BUD BESSE** ..... hockey official  
Hall builder: Hockey, softball

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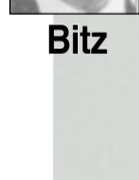
**ED BITZ** ..... softball umpire  
Hall builder: Softball



**KELLY BOWERS** ..... basketball official  
Hall builder: Basketball, football, wrestling  
Hall team: 1991, '96 Hilltops football (coach)

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**ED BRYANT** ..... baseball umpire  
Hall builder: Baseball



**DALE CLANCY** ..... wrestling official  
Hall builder: Wrestling



**BOB COFFIN** ..... athletics, football official  
Hall team: 1996 Huskies football (coach)



**ANNE COTE** ..... volleyball official  
Hall builder: Volleyball

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**KEITH COTE** ..... volleyball official  
Hall builder: Volleyball



**MAUREEN DuWORS** ..... athletics official  
Hall athlete: Athletics  
Hall team: 1971 Huskies athletics men (coach)

DuWors

**RAY (BUSTER) EAST** ..... football official  
Hall team: 1978 Hilltops football (manager)



**DAVE ELDER** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics, football, wrestling



**AL FEW** ..... judo official  
Hall builder: Judo

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**VERN FRIEBEL** ..... figure skating judge  
Hall builder: Figure skating



**DON FUNK** ..... hockey referee  
Hall builder: Softball



**DON GALLO** ..... triathlon official  
Hall builder: Triathlon



**CLARENCE GARVIE** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics  
Hall team: 1968 Hilltops football (president)

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**CEDRIC GILLOTT** ..... soccer official  
Hall builder: Soccer



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**HENRIETTA GOPLEN** ..... speed skating official  
Hall builder: Speed skating



Gudmundson

**BILL GORDON** ..... basketball official  
Hall builder: Basketball

**RANDY GUDMUNDSON** ..... volleyball official  
Hall team: 1980 Huskiettes volleyball (coach)

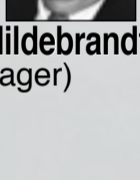


Hildebrandt

**MIKE HARRINGTON** ..... basketball official  
Hall team: 1990, '96, '98 Huskies football (coach)

**EUGENE HEARN** ..... softball, speed skating official  
Hall builder: Speed skating

**MEL HEPBURN** ..... figure skating judge  
Hall builder: Figure skating



Hildebrandt

**HARVEY HILDEBRANDT** ..... hockey official  
Hall athlete: Hockey, softball

**LLOYD HOWEY** ..... athletics official  
Hall team: 1970, '71 Huskies athletics (athlete)



Leddy

**JASON JOHNSTON** ..... basketball official  
Hall team: 1996 Huskies football (athlete)

**DOUG KNOTT** ..... soccer official  
Hall builder: Athletics



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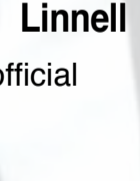
**SHANNON KEKULA-KRISTIANSEN** ..... athletics official  
Hall athlete: Athletics  
Hall team: 1984-85, '85-86 Huskiettes athletics (athlete)

**TIM KROEKER** ..... football official  
Hall athlete: Baseball

**DR. JACK LEDDY** ..... golf official scorer  
Hall builder: Golf

**JEROME LINNELL** ..... basketball, volleyball official  
Hall team: 1988 Huskies volleyball (athlete)

**CRAIG MACKAY** ..... speed skating official  
Hall athlete: Speed skating



Marleau

**JOHNNY MARCINIUK** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Multiple sports

**RENE MARLEAU** ..... speed skating official  
Hall builder: Speed skating

**JIM McCLEMENTS** ..... speed skating official  
Hall builder: Speed skating

**KEITH McLEAN** ..... hockey official  
Hall builder: Softball

**AL MITCHELL** ..... football official  
Hall builder: Football

**HAROLD MITCHELMORE** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics

**DAVE MOORE** ..... softball umpire  
Hall builder: Baseball, curling, softball

**EVELYN NESDOLE** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics

**JOHN NEUFELD** ..... athletics official  
Hall athlete: Athletics  
Hall team: 1987-88 Huskies athletics (athlete)  
'04-05 Huskies athletics men (coach)  
'99-00, '00-01, '02-03, '03-04, '04-05 Huskies athletics women (coach)

**JUDY PEDDLE** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics, wheelchair sports  
Hall team: 2000, 2001, 2003, 2004  
Huskies athletics women (administrator)

**CAREN REINDL** ..... athletics official  
Hall athlete: Athletics  
Hall team: 2003-04, '04-05 Huskies athletics women (coach)  
'04-05 Huskies athletics men (coach)



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**ED REIMER** ..... softball umpire  
Hall builder: Softball

**BILL REMENDA** ..... baseball umpire  
Hall builder: Baseball

**AMBER ROLLACK** ..... athletics official  
Hall team: 2000, '03 Huskies athletics women (athlete)

**HENK RUYSS** ..... soccer official  
Hall builder: Soccer

**LYLE SANDERSON** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics  
Hall team: 1968 Huskies cross-country men (coach),  
1969-70, '70-71, '86-87 Huskies athletics men (coach),  
'84-85, '85-86, '99-00, '00-01, '02-03, '03-04 Huskies athletics women (coach)

**PETER SEREDA** ..... softball umpire  
Hall builder: Softball

**BRIAN SHALOVELO** ..... hockey official  
Hall builder: Hockey, softball

**WES SMITH** ..... hockey official  
Hall builder: Hockey

**DON STEPONCHEV** ..... basketball official  
Hall builder: Basketball

**JULES SWICK** ..... hockey official  
Hall builder: Hockey

**ROB SYMCHYCK** ..... football official  
Hall team: 1985 Hilltops football (athlete)  
1990 Huskies football (athlete)

**SHARON TKACHUK** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics

**RON WALSH** ..... athletics, football official  
Hall builder: Athletics, football

**JUDY WARICK** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics

**RANDY WARICK** ..... athletics, broomball, football official  
Hall builder: Athletics, football

**DAVID WASSILL** ..... hockey official  
Hall builder: Adaptive water skiing

**HARVEY WEBER** ..... athletics official  
Hall team: 1987 Huskies athletics (athlete)

**ROSS WILSON** ..... athletics, basketball official  
Hall builder: Basketball, soccer

**GORD WINTERMUTE** ..... hockey official  
Hall builder: Hockey

**GIL WIST** ..... athletics official  
Hall athlete: Wrestling

**JURGEN WITTENBERG** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics

**BILL WORONUIK** ..... hockey, softball official  
Hall builder: Hockey, softball  
Hall team: 1982, '83 Liners sr. baseball (support staff)

**DALE YELLOWLEES** ..... athletics official  
Hall builder: Athletics  
Hall team: 1984-85, '85-86 Huskiettes athletics (coach)

**JOE ZEMAN** ..... baseball umpire  
Hall builder: Baseball, hockey

**RON ZERR** ..... athletics official  
Hall team: 1969-70, 1970-71 Huskies athletics (athlete)

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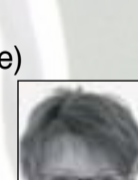
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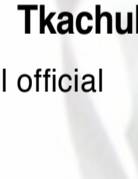
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# Man in motion

Enshrined in Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame

**Art Peberdy** sets the foundation for the Hilltops. A contractor by profession, Art is the planner and supervisor of the project in 1950 when the Toppers become the first amateur football team in Canada to have their own clubhouse.

The building crew includes Art's son **Keith Peberdy**, a halfback on the Hilltops from City Park Collegiate who is armed with a hammer and nails.

Art's grandson and Keith's son **Brian Peberdy** from Aden Bowman Collegiate is a star cornerback when the Hilltops win nationals in 1978.



Art Peberdy



Keith Peberdy



Brian Peberdy



This is the Hilltops' 75th season. The football club will be honored as sports organization of the year by the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame at its induction banquet Saturday, Nov. 6 at Prairieland Park.



Ron Atchison

**Ron Atchison** is a rock on the CFL's Saskatchewan Roughriders for 17 years.

"Of all the happy moments I had playing professional football, none have been quite so great as playing with the Hilltops," he told The StarPhoenix.

The Hilltops taught him the game.

In 1949, he scores a touchdown on a blocked punt as the Hilltops defeat the Hamilton Wildcats, the reigning Canadian champions, in an exhibition game in late November.

In 1973, the Hilltops name their practice field Atchison Park.

**Ed Henick** is the size of a marble. Playing for the Hilltops he is a cannonball. Henick, a grad of Bedford Road Collegiate, scores a touchdown in the Hilltops' first-ever home game in 1947 by returning a fumble on a punt return.

He later becomes an assistant coach. He goes on to serve as club president. He is league president. He sells Hilltops season tickets. He writes the rule book for flag football in Saskatoon.

Henick is big in football for more than 50 years. The same goes for the Hilltops' **Don McDonald**.



Ed Henick



Len Richardson

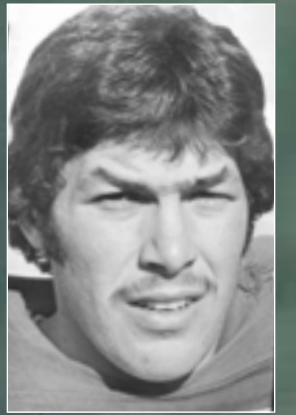
**Len Richardson** has a licence to thrill. A graduate of Tech Collegiate, he is a thinker and doer with the Hilltops from their start in 1947.

He has a great idea in 1963. Young Hilltop Night, he calls it. Any two children accompanied by an adult get free admission. Prizes are awarded: Sleeping bags, footballs, helmets, a bike. Young Wayne Glover wins the grand prize, getting a paid trip for two to Regina for a Riders game against Ottawa.

**Jerry Friesen** has the running play of the year for the Hilltops — and he's a linebacker.

In a game in 1974 against the Winnipeg Rods, the former Bedford Road defensive lineman intercepts a pass and returns it 71 yards. Friesen would have scored a touchdown, but is caught at the 14-yard line.

After two seasons with the Hilltops, Friesen has been a player and coach in Canadian university and the CFL for almost 50 years.



Jerry Friesen



Ray Syrnyk

**Ray Syrnyk** is captain in the crunch. A graduate of Nutana Collegiate, he plays linebacker and offensive back for the Hilltops as they win their first Canadian title, defeating Windsor AKO 34-6 in 1953. The game at Griffiths Stadium draws a capacity crowd of 7,500. Although the Hilltops' traditional colours are Blue and Gold, to avoid conflicting with Windsor's Black and Gold, they wear Green and White uniforms loaned by the Roughriders.

**John Babineau** is vintage. A defensive lineman with the Regina Roughriders in 1946 in the Western Interprovincial Football Union, he joins the Hilltops in their inaugural year, 1947, as the line coach. He wins a national title with the team in 1953. He wins nationals again in 1958 as head coach. In 1961, he is the first Hilltop awarded a lifetime membership in the club.



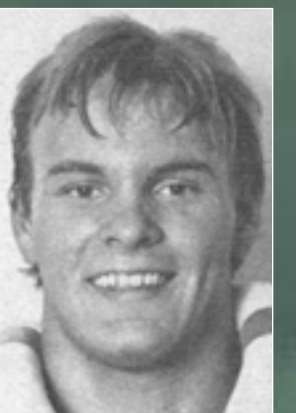
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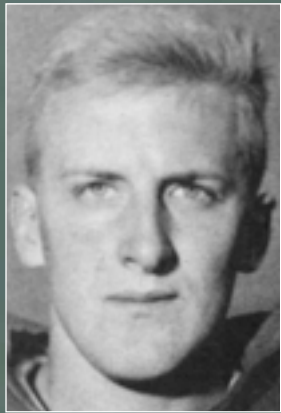
Dan Servetnyk

**Dan Servetnyk** is a touchdown waiting to happen. He scores a touchdown in his first game with the Hilltops in 1978. He scores a touchdown in his last game in 1982. He runs fast. He goes long. Playing slotback and punt/kick return, the Evan Hardy Collegiate grad scores 25 touchdowns of 30 or more yards in his career with the Hilltops.

**Larry Wruck** says my way is the highway. A third-year linebacker with the Hilltops from Evan Hardy Collegiate, he still has junior eligibility in 1983, yet throughout the season he trains in Regina with the CFL Saskatchewan Roughriders. He rejoins the Hilltops every weekend in 1983 to play for them.



Larry Wruck



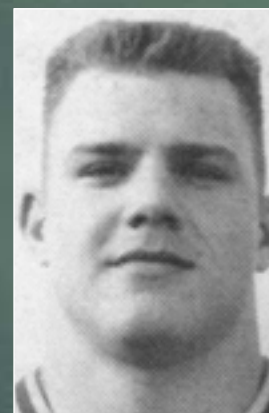
Bob Arn Jr.

**Bob Arn Jr.** is an athlete and a scholar. A former Senior Watch at Aden Bowman Collegiate, the Hilltop player graduates from the University of Saskatchewan in 1963 with Great Distinction. As a Rhodes Scholar, he earns a masters at Oxford and a PhD at Cambridge. For the past 40 years, Arn has been the founder and president of several software companies.



Dr. Sam Landa

**Dr. Sam Landa** knows endurance. From the beginning of the Hilltops in 1947, he is the team physician for 40 years. "The Hilltops have become a way of life," he said.



Warren Muzika

**Warren Muzika** puts Canadian championships on his hit list. A linebacker from Walter Murray Collegiate, he wins the Canadian Bowl with the Hilltops in 1991. He wins the Vanier Cup with the University of Saskatchewan Huskies in 1996 and 1998. He wins the Grey Cup as a CFL rookie in 1999 with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats.

—Hilltops yearbook photos; Friesen photo from StarPhoenix

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# Touching base

With Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame inductees

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## Passings

**Ron Zerr, 1948-2022, age 74**  
Team inductee  
1969-70, '70-71  
Huskies athletics (athlete)

Ron Zerr is about as big as a turtle. He is faster than a rabbit.

Consider 1965: Zerr makes a 75-yard run to set up the first touchdown of the year for the St. Paul's Saints in the Saskatoon High School Football League. Later in the season, showing the same flash and dash that he is known for in minor hockey, he goes 85 yards on a pass from Rick Proctor. He scores a touchdown on a 105-yard kick return. Zerr, who is a flanker in Grade 12, receives the annual Hilltop Grad Trophy as the high school player who best exemplifies sportsmanship, leadership and all-around ability.

Zerr plays for the Hilltops in 1966, and later, for the University of Saskatchewan Huskies. His signature sport is track and field. In the 1968 indoor season, Zerr, \*Rick Bell, \*Dave Burkell and \*Keith Wenz don't lose a race all season in the sprint relay as the Huskies track and field team wins the first ever Western Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship.

Zerr is in the mix as the Huskies add conference and national titles in 1970 and 1971, running sprint relay with \*Bob Brennan, \*Lloyd Howey and \*Gord Waldner. When the Huskies win the conference title again in 1976, Zerr is on the scene now as an athletics coach. Zerr and colleague \*Lyle Sanderson share the award as male coach of the year in all sports at the University of Saskatchewan.

Working as a teacher at Holy Cross High School in Saskatoon, Zerr develops a Crusaders track and field program rich in tradition and substance. Ron volunteers with the Saskatoon Wrestling Club. He is a director with the Saskatoon Hilltops. He becomes a certified athletics official.

Daughter **Amanda Zerr** of the Saskatoon Figure Skating Club competes in the 1987 Canada Games. Son \*Ron Zerr Jr. is a linebacker with the Hilltops when they win the Canadian championship in 1996.



Ron Zerr

## Summer in England

\***Al Bodnarchuk** was a massage therapist on the Canadian athletics team at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham, England this summer... **Richard Grunder** of Kansas called his first horse race as an announcer in 1973 at Marquis Downs in Saskatoon. In May of this year, Grunder, 68, made his last call at Tampa Bay Downs. According to The Racing Post, he had the longest current tenure by a horse race announcer in the United States at 37 years. Grunder plans to work as a jockeys' agent... Team Schmirler of Saskatchewan has been inducted into the World Curling Hall of Fame. Skip **Sandra Schmirler** of Biggar, third **Jan Betker** of Regina, second **Joan McCusker** of Yorkton and lead **Marcia Gudureit** of Moose Jaw won the women's world title three times — 1993, 1994 and 1997 — and gold when curling was added to the Olympic lineup in 1998. Schmirler curled for a rink at the University of Saskatchewan in 1982 and '83. McCusker was among the feature guests at a banquet in 1997 to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Saskatoon Hub City Curling Club. The event was organized by \***Mary Green**... \***Judy Warick** of Top Notch Masters of Saskatoon was first in the 800 and 1,500 metres in the women's 70-79 age class at the Canadian Masters Athletics championships in Regina this summer. \***Mike Taylor** of PA Athletics finished second in the 200 in the men's 40-49 class... \***Harvey Weber** of Running Wild Athletics in Saskatoon went to the World Masters Athletics championships in Tampere, Finland this summer. Weber withdrew from the 800-metres event in the men's 55-59 age class after being injured in a workout before the race... Weber (athletics), \***Jamie Epp** (athletics) and \***Rick Ruzesky** (softball) were among Team Saskatchewan's coaches at the Canada Games this summer in Ontario's Niagara region... Ruzesky and \***Trevor Ethier** won the Canadian master men's softball championship with the Melfort 222's in St. John's, N.F., this summer. In Ethier's four games as starting pitcher, he struck out 25. He hit .471 and had three runs batted in... \***Jason Reindl** was the head coach of Canada's team at the World U20 Athletics championships this summer in Cali, Colombia. Reindl was also an assistant coach at the North American, Central American and Caribbean Athletics Association championships in The Bahamas... \***Pat Barry** and \***Cody Halseth** were on the coaching staff of the Canadian team that finished fourth at the International Federation of American Football Women's World championship in Finland.



Al Bodnarchuk



Harvey Weber



## Top of the order

College Lads defeated the defending champion Merchants in four games in the best-of-five final to win the title in the Saskatoon Senior Men's Fastball League in 1968.

Ed Swiderski, who was the batting champion during the regular season with a .429 average, hit a two-run home run in the seventh inning as the Lads won the fourth and deciding game 4-3.

Seven members of the Lads are enshrined in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame.

Front row, left to right: George Symchych, Dave Pankratz, Corney Friesen, \*Ed Chynoweth, \*Harvey Hildebrandt  
Back row: Coach \*Gil Strumm, \*Butch Steponchev, \*Pete Zacharias, Dale Volden, Dennis Dugas, \*Ed Swiderski, coach \*Cliff (Porky) Hulme, Bob Allison

—Photo from StarPhoenix

## Hitting a triple in Saskatoon

\***Lawrence Beatty**, \***Bryan Kosteroski** and \***Mark Loehndorf** were on the host committee for three of Softball Canada's national championships in Saskatoon this summer: U17 boys, U15 girls and women... **Mark Smith** of Falmouth, N.S., has been inducted as a coach into the World Baseball Softball Confederation Hall of Fame. Smith was the head coach of Canada's national women's softball team that won a bronze medal at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics. He previously coached the national junior men's and senior men's teams. Smith was a pitcher/centre fielder with the Saskatoon All-O-Matics senior men's team in 1983, hitting a solo home run to lift Saskatoon to a 1-0 win over the Regina Molsons in the deciding game of the provincial final. The All-O-Matics finished second at nationals, defeated by Victoria Royals in the final. \***Rob Guenter** of Saskatoon was the winning pitcher for Victoria. The All-O-Matics were owned by \***Don Funk** and coached by \***Bob Sawatsky**. Joining Smith on the mound were \***Don Bates** and \***Gene McWillie**. Mark Smith had an earlier experience in Saskatoon. In 1977, he was a pitcher for Dartmouth Dairy Queen which finished second in the Canadian junior men's championship at \***Gordie Howe** Park. Among the umpires for nationals was Saskatoon's \***Bill Woronuk**... **Sydney Carroll**, 19, of Saskatoon was on the Canadian artistic swimming team that finished seventh in the routine event at the

World Aquatics championships in Budapest, Hungary this summer. Canada was eighth in the technical final. Sydney's mother, **Mary Carroll**, of the Saskatoon Diving Club was an assistant coach on the Canadian diving team at worlds... \***Bob Molle** and **Scott Redl** will be inducted into the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame in November with the 1990 Winnipeg Blue Bombers. They were offensive linemen for Winnipeg, which won the Grey Cup. Molle and Redl won a provincial high school title with the Evan Hardy Souls, led by head coach \***Blaine Knoll**. In university, Redl was a conference all-star on the defensive line with the Saskatchewan Huskies. Molle was an All-American offensive lineman for the Simon Fraser University Clan.

## Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame

- **Ken Achs**  
Builder inductee, drag racing  
**Rob Achs**.....Ken's son  
Team inductee, 1985 Hilltops football (athlete)
- **Brian Hoiness**  
Team inductee, 1991 Eagles midget boys softball (head coach)  
**Brent Hoiness**.....Brian's son  
Team inductee, 1991 Eagles midget boys softball (athlete)
- **Joyce Senyk**  
Team inductee, 1978-79, 1979-80, 1980-81 U of S Huskiettes volleyball (athlete)  
**Brian Gamborg**.....Joyce's husband  
Team inductee, 1978-79 U of S Huskies volleyball (athlete)
- **Ennis Waldner**  
Builder, swimming, synchronized swimming  
**Bruce Waldner**.....Ennis's son  
Athlete inductee, wrestling  
**Bobbi Thoen Waldner**.....Bruce's wife  
Athlete inductee, track and field

## Correction

**Arnold Boldt** was identified as an inductee in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in the November 2016-January 2017 edition of the Hall newsletter. Boldt is enshrined as an athlete in the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame, not the Saskatoon Hall. He is a native of Osler who trained in Saskatoon.

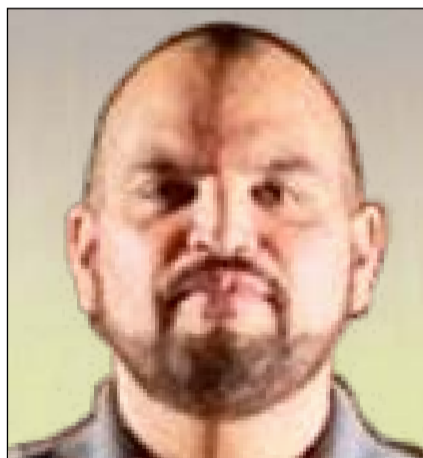
Competing in the Paralympics from 1976 to 1992, he won five gold in high jump and two gold and one silver in long jump.

Boldt was a cyclist in the 2012 Paralympics.

In his one season with the Saskatchewan Huskies in 1977-78, Boldt was fifth in high jump at the Canada West conference championships.

## Look at them now

Athletes, coaches, officials, support staff make news



### Mason Medynski

Basketball

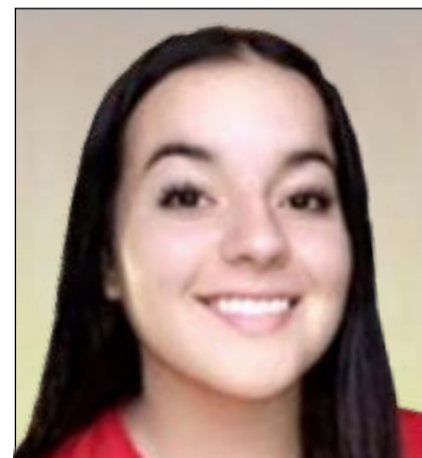
Mason Medynski of Saskatoon is a co-founder of the Living Skies Indigenous Basketball League that started in 2021 for Saskatchewan youth age 11 to 17.

Medynski is also a co-founder of One Love Basketball to encourage participation and development in the sport.

He has been basketball coordinator for two Tony Cote First Nations Games in the province and four times for Team Saskatchewan at the North American Indigenous Games.

He has coached in the Saskatoon Minor Basketball Association since 2014.

Medynski joined the Board with Sask Sport this year.



### Sophia Banda

Hockey

Sophia Banda of Saskatoon played defence on the Saskatchewan team that finished fourth at the National Aboriginal Hockey championship in May in Member-tou, N.S.

Also on the team from Saskatoon were **Kinley Brassard**, **Sophie Kuzminski**, **Maley Schwartz** and **Abbie Shynkaruk**.

In league play last season, Banda and **Lexi Prosofsky** of Saskatoon played for Notre Dame in Wilcox, SK. The Hounds won the Saskatchewan Female U18 AAA hockey title, the Sask-Man title and were defeated in the semi-final at the Esso Cup national championship.



### Jacob Phillips

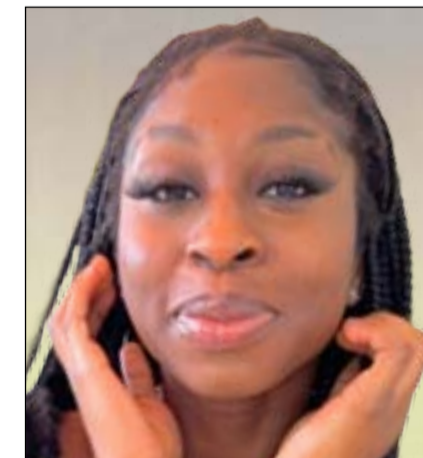
Wrestling

Jacob Phillips of the Saskatoon Wrestling Club finished 10th in the 130 kilogram Greco-Roman event at the Pan American senior championships in May in Acapulco, Mexico.

Phillips is an alumnus of Holy Cross High School.

In 2012, he won a Canada West conference title with the University of Saskatchewan Huskies. He was third at the 2015 Canadian university championships.

**Logan Sloan** of the Saskatoon Wrestling Club was fourth in free-style 61 kg at the Pan American championships.



### Daniella Oyenuga

Athletics

Daniella Oyenuga of the Saskatoon Track and Field Club won the women's under-20 long jump title at the Canadian athletics championships in June in Langley, B.C.

Oyenuga went 5.81 metres on her fifth of six jumps to win.

She was 14th in a preliminary heat in the 100 metres and did not advance.

Earlier in the outdoor season, Oyenuga, a Grade 11 student at St. Joseph High School, won the senior 100, 200 and long jump at the \***Bob Adams** Saskatoon High School Track and Field championships at \***Gordie Howe** Sports Complex. She was first in the 100 and 200 and second in long jump at high school provincials in Regina.



### Don Clark

Wrestling

Don Clark of Regina has received the Wrestling Canada Lutte Outstanding Contribution Award.

Clark was the wrestling coach of Saskatchewan's wrestling team at the 1967 Canada Games and of the University of Regina Cougars from 1972 to 1985. He was a wrestling manager at the 1971 Canada Games in Saskatoon, the 1978 Commonwealth Games and the 1977 and 1991 FISU Games. He was a coach with the Canadian team leading up to the 1980 and 1984 Olympics.

Clark won the conference heavyweight title with the University of Saskatchewan Huskies in 1964-65. He was an offensive lineman on the Huskies football team for five years, a team captain in his senior season and an assistant coach for one year.

# Roaring game

## Curling today has changed, if you hear what I'm saying

By Ernie Dawson

The first time I stepped onto the ice in a curling rink was more than 65 years ago.

Lachie McBean, manager of the original Nutana Curling Club at the corner of Dufferin and Main in Saskatoon, told me part of the reward for clearing snow from his yard after I had delivered about one hundred copies of *The StarPhoenix* was my chance to learn the rudiments of the roaring game. Why was curling called the roaring game? I wondered. The answer has become clearer.

The noises I recall from the early days of curling featured the slapping of what we called corn brooms, a remarkable sound generated by the strong arms and shoulders of the best curlers, or at least the strongest on the ice. At one time the broom featured an inset piece of fabric that looked like a strip of leather about four inches wide inside the bristles. If one thought the corn broom was a noise generator, he needed only listen to a powerful sweeper slapping the modified broom to know what noise was.

### Loud skips

Other noises? Some skips hollered at their teammates to sweep or not to sweep. One of my former skips in Lethbridge whistled through his teeth. Curling rinks, such as the Nutana with six sheets of ice, all occupied, could be plenty noisy, particularly if the skips were loud and demanding. One might even have wondered if the folks on the ice cared for each other, given the tone of the shouts to sweep or not to sweep. Times have changed.

One still sees a corn broom from time to time, but it is usually covered with tape and used as the balance stick when curlers slide out to the hog line. Manitoba's Mike McEwen uses one when he delivers rocks. Many years ago the corn broom gave way to curling brushes and the noise diminished somewhat.

Those newly developed brushes provided a pretty good excuse for missed shots, as I recall, because they used to shed little hairs, called picks that were blamed for slowed, curved or simply missed shots. At least those I curled with felt that way.



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It might be interesting to survey those who watch curling on television about where they keep the sound level when a game is in progress. And the sooner that is done the better for all of us. Hurry, hurry, hurry!

## Curling in Saskatoon started outdoor

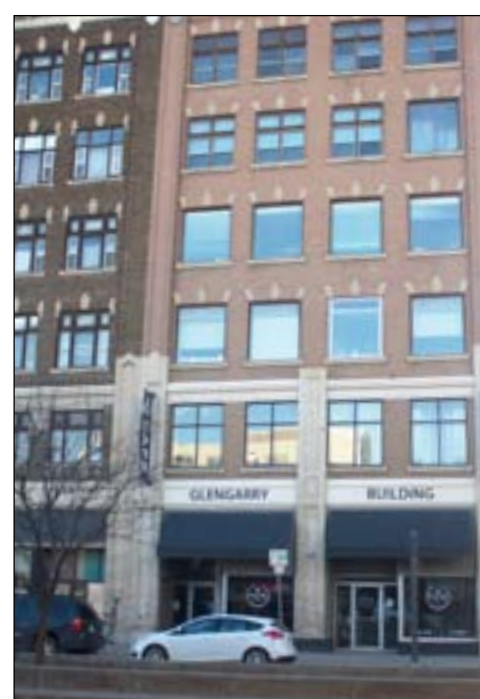
● Curling in Saskatoon was first played on the ice on the river.

● **Thomas Copland**, a settler from Manitoba, farmed the land that became the University of Saskatchewan campus. He was on the rink that won Saskatoon's first bonspiel in 1904.

● **Angus McMillan** curled in Saskatoon's second bonspiel in 1905. McMillan came to Saskatoon in 1903 from Manitoba where he had been a farmer for six years. Because west central Saskatchewan didn't yet have a railway, he helped to transport homesteaders to that part of the province, often sleeping under his buggy at night. McMillan became a real estate developer in Saskatoon. He paid for the construction of the six-storey Glengarry Block on 3rd Avenue.

● Lead **Alex Scollon**, second **Rube Watts**, third **Bill McArter** and skip **Bob McLeod** of the Granite Club was the first rink from Saskatoon to go to the Brier, in 1930.

When McLeod started an engineering business in Saskatoon in 1907 the company was powered by a team of horses. Later, when he had modern



Glengarry Building

equipment, McLeod excavated the basement during the construction of the Bessborough Hotel and the Eaton's department store.

● **Arnold Lockerbie** moved to Saskatoon from Winnipeg in 1949 to work for the Unemployment Insurance Commission. He played on **Bob Guthrie's** rink from Manitoba that won the Brier in 1931.

● **Jack Brower** played on **Dalt Henderson's** rink from Nutana in the 1946

Brier. This was Brower's fifth Brier. He was in the 1929 and '31 Brier with his brother **E.H. Brower's** rink from Toronto, in 1938 with **Dr. M.I. Humphries** of Prince Albert and in 1939 with **George Dunbar** of Prince Albert.

## Sure shots

\*Enshrined in Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame

\***Archie Bartley** is the lead on a first-year rink from Nutana in 1957 that wins the northern Saskatchewan title. Skip **Steve Hayhurst** makes a takeout with the last rock on the 12th end and scores three to defeat **Cam Osler** of Sutherland 10-7 in the final.

\***Jerry Shoemaker**, a 15-year-old lefty, skips a rink that finishes second in the 1966 green 'spiel, an annual competition in his hometown of Plunkett.

\***Merv Mann**, a 31-year-old car dealer in Saskatoon, defeats **Bob Pickering** of Milestone 10-6 in the final of Canadian Open Car bonspiel in Edmonton in 1968. This is the sixth time Mann reaches



Archie Bartley

the final and the rink's third title car. They won a Ford at the 1962 event and a Volkswagen in 1967 and 1968.

\***Vera Pezer**, in her first year on **Joyce McKee's** rink, makes a triple kill as McKee scores two in the seventh end and goes on to defeat **Donna Paton** in the opening draw of the Saskatoon women's playdowns in 1969.

McKee, lead **Jennifer Falk**, second **Lee Morrison** and third Pezer have an 18-1 record in city, northern provincial, provincial and national competition in winning the Canadian title.

At 19, third **Cheryl Stirton** is the youngest player on her sister **Dorenda Schoenhals's** rink, the youngest rink in the 10-year history of the Canadian women's curling championship that's held in Calgary in 1970. Because three rinks are tied for first after the round

Vera Pezer

a playoff is held for the first time to decide the Canadian champion.

Schoenhals, Stirton, lead **Joan Anderson** and second **Linda Burnham** — called the Whiz Kids — defeat **Glenda Buhr** of Manitoba 8-6 and **Donna Clark** of B.C. 8-4 for the title.

The story goes that **Don Wilson** asked the drawmaster to make sure his rink never played in the 5 p.m. draw on weekdays in the annual Saskatoon bonspiel.

Wilson and his rink were all teachers and he didn't want anyone to skip out of school early.



Don Wilson

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### Canadian men's championship

Rinks from Saskatoon have qualified 23 times for the Brier

Year	Skip	Club
1930	Bob McLeod	Granite
1931	Jack Miller	Saskatoon CC
1934	Bob McLeod	Granite
1935	Jim Black	Nutana
1943	Stan Glover	Granite
1944	Jack Forsyth	Granite
1945	Bill Hain	Nutana
1946	Dalt Henderson	Nutana
1965	Harold Worth	Hub
1972	♦ Doug Wyatt	Hub
1978	♦ Rick Folk	Nutana
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1980	*Rick Folk	Nutana
1985	♦ Eugene Hritzuk	Nutana
1988	♦ Eugene Hritzuk	Nutana
2000	Bruce Korte	Granite
2010	Darrell McKee	Nutana
2014	♦ Steve Laycock	Nutana
2015	♦ Steve Laycock	Nutana
2016	♦ Steve Laycock	Nutana
2018	♦ Steve Laycock	Nutana
2019	Kirk Muires	Nutana
2022	Colton Flasch	Nutana

### Canadian women's championship

Rinks from Saskatoon have qualified 21 times for the Tournament of Hearts

Year	Skip	Club
1961	*Joyce McKee	Hub
1962	*Joyce McKee	Hub
1969	*Joyce McKee	Hub
1970	*Dorenda Schoenhals	Nutana
1971	*Vera Pezer	Sutherland
1972	*Vera Pezer	Sutherland
1973	*Vera Pezer	Sutherland
1974	*Emily Farnham	Nutana
1978	Charlene Goodwin	Hub
1979	Barb Despina	Granite
1983	♦ Sheila Rowan	Nutana
1984	Lori McGeary	Sutherland
1985	♦ Sheila Rowan	Nutana
1986	Lori McGeary	Hub
1996	Sherry Scheirich	Granite
2005	Stefanie Lawton	CN
2006	Tracy Streifel	Granite
2009	Stefanie Lawton	CN
2014	Stefanie Lawton	Nutana
2015	Stefanie Lawton	Nutana
2018	Sherry Anderson	Nutana



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John Stobbs of Saskatoon with a rock he used when he was a member of the Shell River Club in Manitoba in the early 1900s. The rock was made of birch wood and bound with wire to prevent splitting.