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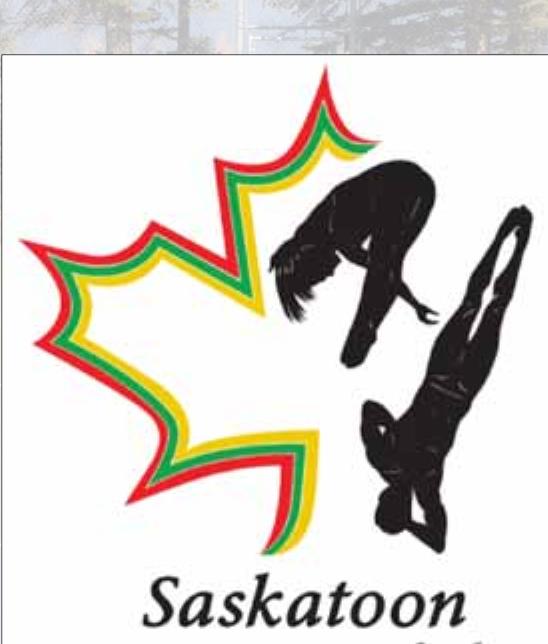
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38th induction dinner Saturday, Nov. 1
Prairieland Park



MARCIA (PORTEOUS) JACKSON
Provincial singles champion in badminton, squash and tennis



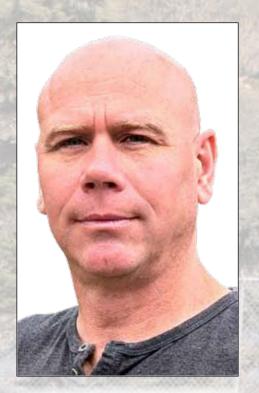
Diving Club



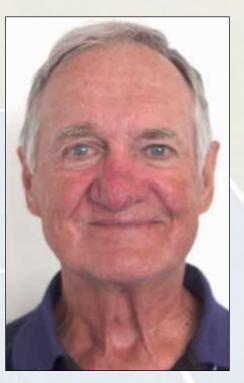
Athletes consistently post top results in national competition; athletes and coaches in biggest international events



JANET
SCOTT-GATTINGER
One of the best heptathletes
in Canada in the 1980s



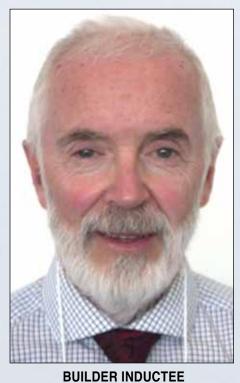
RYAN HVIDSTON
Tied Canadian
junior record for pole vault
height in winning bronze
at Pan Am championships



ATHLETE INDUCTEE

LARRY PAVLOFF

Competed in Canadian
senior softball championship
13 different years



ATHLETE INDUCTEE

JILLIAN GALLAYS

Bronze in world

wrestling championships,

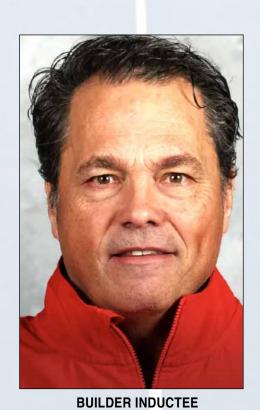
competed in Olympics

DON HEDMAN

Track and field

coach, official

and administrator



PETER LOUBARDIAS

Broadcaster NHL,
international softball



MARK MILLARD

Youth soccer coach
and administrator



Sherry Anderson, Patty Herskiorn, Brenda Goertzen, Anita Silvernagle

—Curling Canada



Megan Berge, Candace Orenchuk, Robin Bolton, Coral Bolton, Michelle Simpson, coach Ken Gryschuk

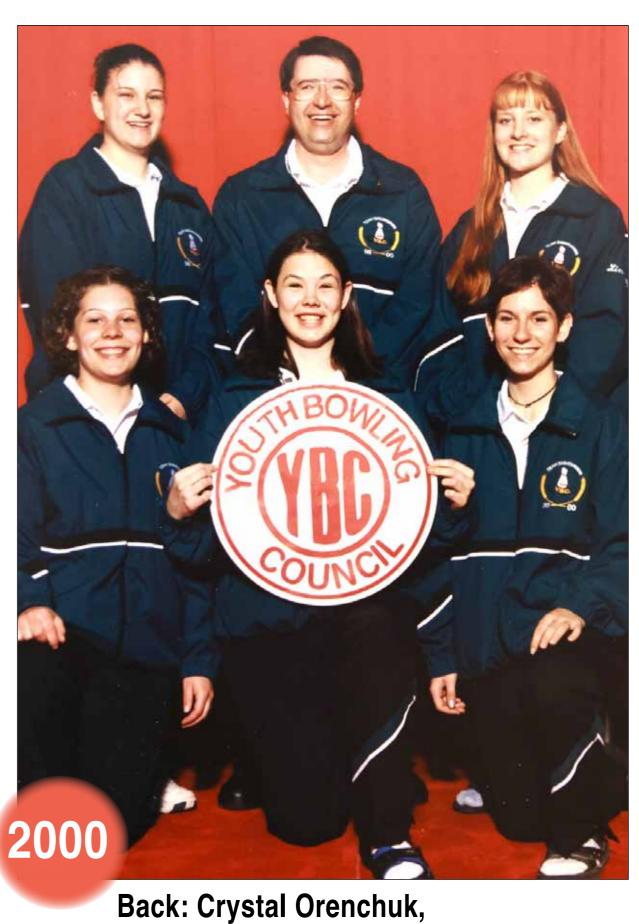


Coral Bolton, Robin Bolton, Julie Kolendreski, coach Ken Gryschuk, Candace Orenchuk, Crystal Orenchuk

TEAM INDUCTEE

HUNTER'S FAIRHAVEN 1998, 1999, 2000 SENIOR GIRLS 5-PIN BOWLING

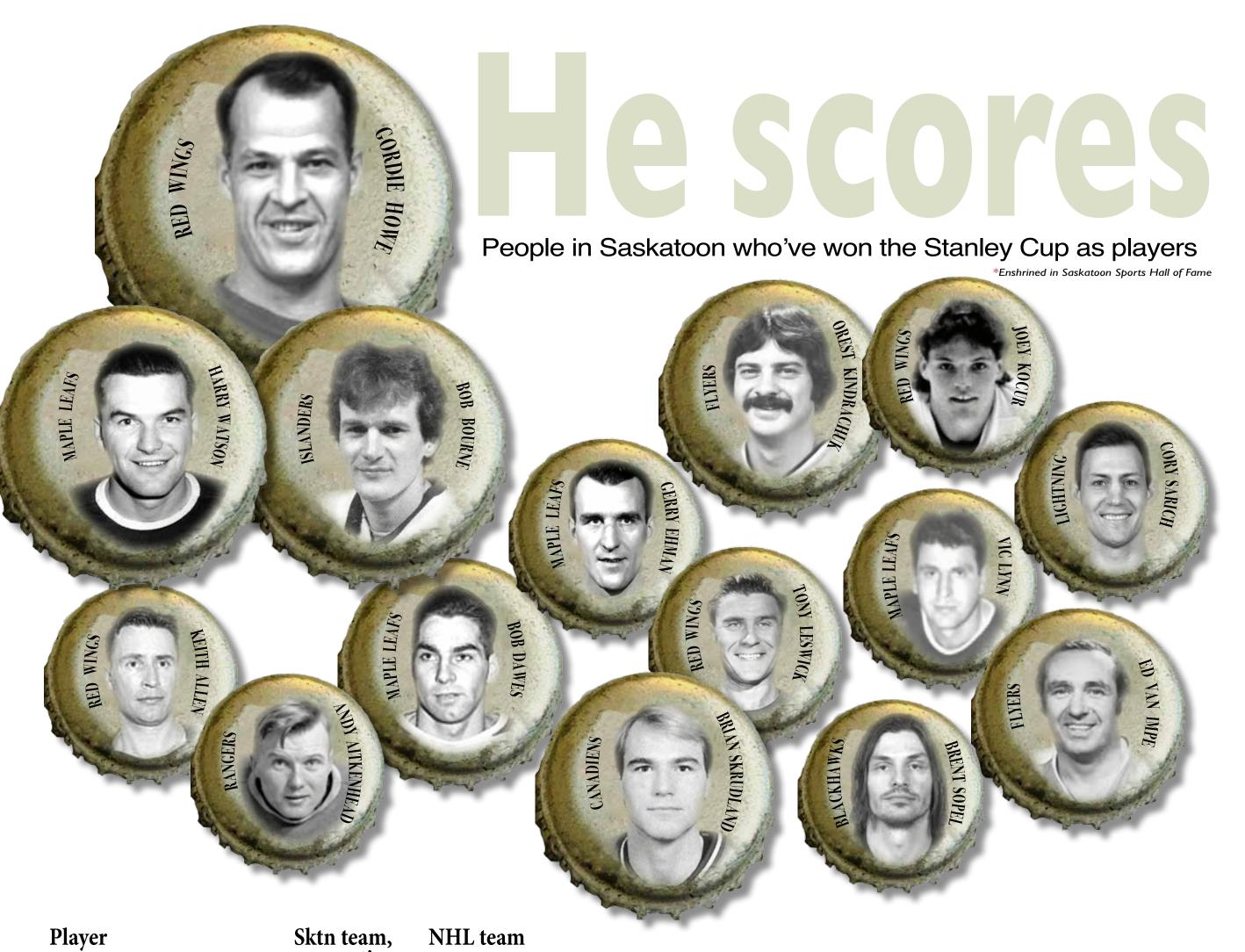
The first team in YBC history to win the Canadian title for three consecutive years



coach Ken Gryschuk, Lindsay Berge

Front: Julie Kolendreski,

Michelle Simpson, Robin Bolton



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Sid Abel		
Andy Aitkenhead		
*Keith Allen	Quakers junior HMCS Unicorn senion Elks senior	
Max Bentley	Wesley midget Quakers minor pro	Toronto Maple Leafs 1948, '49, '51
Bob Bourne	Blades major junior	New York Islanders 1980, '81, '82, '83
Dave Brown	Born in Saskatoon Aces midget Blades major junior	Edmonton Oilers 1990
Roy Conacher	RCAF Flyers senior	Boston Bruins 1939, '41
Bill Cook	Crescents pro Sheiks pro	
Frederick 'Bun' Cook	Sheiks pro	New York Rangers 1928, '33
*Gerry Couture	Born in Saskatoon Quakers junior	Detroit Red Wings 1950
Sam 'Rusty' Crawford	Hoo-Hoos pro Wholesalers pro Crescents pro	•
*Bob Dawes	Born in Saskatoon Red Wings pee wee Embassy Club Ameri Princess Alex public s Quakers junior	cans midget
Corbett Denneny	Sheiks pro	Toronto 1918 Toronto St. Patricks 1922
Gerry Ehman	Lives in Saskatoon	Toronto Maple Leafs 1964
Todd Ewen	Born in Saskatoon	Montreal Canadiens 1993
Jeff Friesen		
Randy Gilhen		
Bill Hay		
Jim Hay	Born in Saskatoon Quakers junior U of S Huskies	Detroit Red Wings 1955
Braden Holtby	Blades major junior	Washington Capitals 2018
*Gordie Howe	Wings pee wee King George AC ban Lions midget Lions juvenile	
Grant Jennings	Blades major junior	Pittsburgh Penguins 1991, '92
*Orest Kindrachuk	Black Hawks bantam Nutana midget Centennials juvenile Blades major junior	
Lloyd 'Deed' Klein	Wesley juvenile Sheiks pro	Boston Bruins 1929

Alleeli Kliddebili	Diades major jumoi Doston Diams 2011
Joey Kocur	Blades major junior New York Ranger 1994 Detroit Red Wings 1997, '98
Darcy Kuemper	Born in Saskatoon Colorado Avalanche 2022
Édouard 'Newsy' Lalonde.	Crescents pro Montreal Canadiens 1916 Sheiks pro
*Curtis Leschyshyn	Blades major junior Colorado Avalanche 1996
Jack Leswick	Born in Saskatoon Chicago Blackhawks 1934
*Tony Leswick	Dodgers junior Detroit Red Wings 1952, '54, '55 Quakers junior
Ed Litzenberger	U of S Huskies Toronto Maple Leafs 1962, '63, '64
*Vic Lynn	Born in Saskatoon Toronto Maple Leafs 1948, '49 Canadiens pee wee Buena Vista public school hockey Embassy Club Americans midget
Richard Matvichuk	Blades major junior Dallas Stars 1999
Max McNab	Quakers junior Detroit Red Wings 1950 Elks senior U of S Huskies
*Garry Peters	Lives in Saskatoon Boston Bruins 1972
Don Saleski	St. Paul's midget Philadelphia Flyers 1974, '75 Holy Cross midget Blades major junior
Cory Sarich	Born in Saskatoon Tampa Bay Lightning 2004 Contacts AAA midget Blades major junior
Brayden Schenn	Born in Saskatoon St. Louis Blues 2019 Red Wings bantam Contacts AAA midget Blades major junior
*Luke Schenn	Born in Saskatoon Tampa Bay Lightning 2020, '21 Red Wings bantam Contacts AAA midget
*Brian Skrudland	Colonels bantam Montreal Canadiens 1986 Contacts AA midget Dallas Stars 1999 Blades major junior
Brent Sopel	Contacts AAA midget Chicago Blackhawks 2010 Blades major junior
Chandler Stephenson	Born in Saskatoon Washington Capitals 2018 Blazers AAA midget Vegas Golden Knights 2023
Jarret Stoll	Blazers AAA midget Los Angeles Kings 2012
*Ed Van Impe	Riversdale midget Philadelphia Flyers 1974, '75 Riversdale juvenile Quakers junior
Cam Ward	Born in Saskatoon Carolina Hurricanes 2006
·	Born in Saskatoon Detroit Red Wings 1943 Dodgers junior Toronto Maple Leafs 1947, '48, '49, '51 Quakers junior
Lorne 'Gump' Worsley	Quakers minor pro Montreal Canadiens 1965, '68, '69

Anton Khudobin...... Blades major junior.... Boston Bruins 2011



—John Kenney StarPhoenix

Jeff Makohon

The spring of 1985 was the start of something big for *Jeff Makohon. In April, he got the first hole-in-one of the season at the Wildwood Golf Club, his home club with a pitching wedge on the 5th hole. In June, Jeff won the Father's Day Open with his grandfather John Hughes, the man who'd introduced Jeff to the game by giving him a set of regripped clubs.

In July, Jeff won the Saskatoon McDonald's junior championship for ages 13-

Jeff won junior provincials in 1986. He won the Canadian juvenile title in 1987. At the Canadian junior championship in Fredericton in 1989, the wind in the final round packed a punch. Makohon parred the first extra hole in a playoff for the win.

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Touching base

With inductees in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame

t's back to school for *Dave Adolph. He was in university hockey for 41 years — 37 as a player and coach with the Saskatchewan Huskies and four as a coach with the Lethbridge Pronghorns. Next season Adolph will be an assistant coach with Team Saskatchewan's U16 male team ...

*Willie Desjardins added the Memorial Cup to his hit list in May. He is head coach of the Medicine Hat Tigers, who finished second in the major junior hockey championship. Desjardins won the Canadian university title as a centre with the Huskies in 1983, was an assistant coach on the Canadian team that won the world junior championship in 2009 and the head coach on the junior team that finished second in 2010, was an assistant coach on the Canadian team that finished fourth in the men's world championship in 1999 and was head coach of the Canadian team that won bronze in the Olympics in 2018 ... *Vera Pezer, *Greg Yuel and Olivia Yuel were awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws by the University of Saskatchewan at spring convocation for their contributions to society ... The Saskatoon Diving Club is the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame's sports organization of the year. Three of its athletes were prominent at senior Summer Nationals at the Shaw Centre in May. Margo Erlam won the women's three-metre title. Rylan Wiens was fourth in me's platform and Kash Tarasoff fifth ... *Fiona Cribb of the Regina Masters Swim Club won the freestyle 1,500 metres in the 65-69 age class in the Speedo Canadian masters championships at the Shaw Centre in May. Cribb was on the Regina teams that won the 4x200 and 4x400 freestyle relay. She finished second in 800 free and third in 200 butterfly. B.C.'s **Carl Waterer** won the 50 and 100 freestyle in the 75-79 division. Waterer was a Canadian university champion with the Huskies in 1969 and 1971 and is a former member of the Saskatoon Goldfins Masters Club . . . Penny Fitzsimmons of Saskatoon will be inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame in Battleford in August. Fitzsimmons has been the business manager of the inaugural Women's Baseball World Cup in 2004 A track and field meet at Griffiths Stadium in the summer of 1986 is still being noticed in the United States almost 40 years later. Although USA Track & Field does not keep records for youth athletes, **Brian Brophy** is No. I on its all-time list for the best score by a junior in senior decathlon. Brophy, 17, of Connecticut had 6,705 points at the Canada-U.S. multi-event meet in Saskatoon. Among the Canadian athletes in the competition were

Winchester Johnson,*Janet Scott, **Linda Spenst** and **Erika Tye**. They trained in



—Attheplate.com

Willie Reed and Nat Bates of California played baseball in Saskatchewan in 1952

Saskatoon with *Lyle Sanderson, who was a coach with the Huskies and Athletics Canada.

California connection

Nat Bates and Willie Reed flew to Regina from their home in Richmond, Calif., in June for a meet and greet at the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame. Bates was a pitcher and Reed a second baseman on the Indian Head Rockets baseball team in 1952. The Rockets, a team with African American and Latino athletes, played in tournaments in Saskatchewan and Alberta from 1950-1954. Saskatoon Gems defeated the Rockets to win the \$800 first prize in the Tisdale tournament in 1952. The Gems lineup included *Doug Bentley, *Len Breckner and *Jim Shirley. Returning to Saskatchewan is becoming an annual event for Bates. He was in Battleford in 2022 when both he and the Rockets Canadian national women's baseball team since the were inducted into the Saskatchewan Baseball Hall of Fame. In 2023, Bates was at the *Gordie Howe Sports Complex for a reunion of Prairie baseball players and he also visited Indian Head ... Two athletes who competed in major events in Saskatoon will be inducted into Canada's Sports Hall of Fame in October. Kevin (The Old Bear) Martin, a skip from Lougheed, AB., competed in the Brier in 2000 at SaskPlace. **Darren Zack**, a pitcher from the Garden River First Nation in Ontario, first appeared in the International Softball Congress world tournament in 1987 at *Bob Van Impe Stadium and *Gordie Howe Park.

Passings

Greg Harbidge, 1958-2025, age 67 Baseball, basketball

In minor league sports, Greg Harbidge is major league.

Outdoors it's baseball. Indoors it's basketball. Summer through winter, evenings and weekends, Harbidge was at the game.

Greg started coaching in the Saskatoon Minor Basketball Association in 1979; he and his brother Kevin

coaching an Avalon team. Greg coached his sons Jordan,

Brett and Matt.

He coached Lakeview Fury to the bantam title in 2008.

He sometimes coached two basketball teams in the same season.

Greg

Harbidge

He was president of the SMBA.

Since 2001 the league has awarded the annual Greg Harbidge Scholarship to a female student-athlete on the University of Saskatchewan Huskies basketball team.

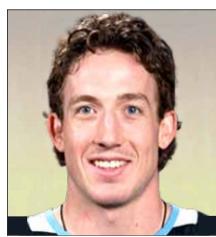
Harbidge played the game.

He played for the Holy Cross Crusaders in high school. He played for Avis and Fabco and the Classics and Budget-Rent-A-Car in the Saskatoon Senior Men's League.

"I think when you play a sport, work toward a common goal, it carries over to anything," Harbidge said.

Take the Georges Vanier club that won the SMBA bantam title in 1972. Harbidge's teammates that season included **Duane Lichtenwald**, who became a doctor, specializing in dermatology; Kim Bihari, who managed and developed artists as the owner of a music company and is now a realtor in B.C.; and naturalist and author Trevor Herriot. Their coach was Leo 'Travelling' Man' Thauberger, who went around the world, going to 58 countries.

Look at them now Athletes, coaches, officials, support staff make news



Cameron Hebig Hockey

Cameron Hebig now holds the team record for games played with the Tucson Roadrunners of the American Hockey League 289 **Dysin Mayo** had the previous record at 279. Tucson has been in

the AHL since 2016. Hebig led the Roadrunners this season in in goals, 26, and shots, 146, and was second in points, 47. Hebig, a 28-year-old centre, played for the Saskatoon Blades in the Western Hockey League for $4\frac{1}{2}$ seasons.



Rylee Miller **Gymnastics**

Rylee Miller finished third on beam and won the team title with the Southern Utah Flippin' Birds at the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation champion-

Miller is in her season year at the university in Cedar City. Miller was a member of the Can-Am Gym Club in Saskatoon and a student at Centennial Collegiate.



Holden Parada Hockey

Holden Parada was a forward on the provincial men's team from Saskatchewan that finished third in the National Aboriginal hockey championships in Kamloops, B.C. Also from Saskatoon on the

provincial team were forward **Dylan Danyluk** and trainer Taylor Vandale. Parada plays for the Indigenous

Sports Academy U18 Prep team in Saskatoon, coached by Greg Slobodzian, and Danyluk for the U18 AAA Warman Wildcats, coached by Courage Bear. Saskatchewan women were third at nationals.



Heather Hynes Swimming

Heather Hynes of the Saskatoon Goldfins Masters Swim Club had two firsts, five seconds and two thirds in the ages 45-49 division in the Speedo Canadian masters swimming championships at the Shaw Centre in Saskatoon.

Other Goldfins who won	at nation
Jaedyn Allen	
Roger Boucher	
Sash Broda	
Tara Chapman Reichert	40-44
Kendra Chernoff	
Devon Christoffel	25-29
Brooke Davidson	35-39
Allyn Eger	30-34
Jaclyn Frith	
Denise Gilewicz	60-64
Brent Hankewich	40-44
Chad Hankewich	40-44
Hannah Hegstrom	18-24
Melvin Hitchings	75-79
Nick Kennedy	18-24
Connor Kilduff	30-34
Mary King	
Mike Levesque	
Theresa Kliem	
Michelle Laham Szutiak	
Cameron McCarty	
Ted Murphy	
Braeden Newton	
Ava Norman	
Darcy Pawlik	
Aaron Reynolds	
Kevin Saganski	40-44

Jaclyn Szutiak.

Susan Wall..

Sacha Thompson

Charlene Zaidan

.18-24

.45-49

..50-54

.55-59



Chris Hodgson

Chris Hodgson of the Saskatoon Judo Člub (SJC) won bronze in the senior men's +100 kg division at the Canadian judo championships in Calgary. Azra Benic of the SJC was

fifth in U21 -70kg, Riley Stang of the SJC could not compete. He had a concussion during training.

Coaches at nationals included **Gregory Cooper** of the SJC and *Nancy Jewitt-Filteau of Swift Current.