



**14th Annual  
Sports Recognition  
Banquet**

Wednesday, February 13, 2019  
Doors Open - 6:00p.m.  
Dinner - 7:00p.m.  
Brantford Golf and Country Club  
60 Ava Rd.  
Brantford, Ontario



# Brantford Sports Council



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# **PROGRAM**

**Master of Ceremonies** - Carmine Romano

**Welcome & Introductions** - Bill Harding, BSC Chair

**Grace**

**Dinner**

**Greetings from Dignitaries**

**Award Presentations**

- The Adrian Scherders Memorial Award - Sportsmanship and Dedication
- The Phyllis Gretzky Memorial Award - Female Youth Leadership
- The Frank Bricker Memorial Award - Male Youth Leadership

**Introduction of Keynote Speaker** - Lance Vipond

**Award Presentations**

- The Dave Levac Award – The Award of Excellence for Sports Officiating
- The John Macklin Memorial Award - Coach of the Year
- The George Churchill Memorial Award - Sports Volunteer of the Year
- The Jack Calbeck Memorial Award - Lifetime Sports Sponsorship
- The George Jones Memorial Award - Lifetime Sports Volunteerism
- The Jimmy Wilkes Memorial Award - Team of the Year
- The Frank Tomlin Memorial Award - Sportsperson of the Year

**Draw Prizes**

**Closing Remarks** - Bill Harding



**The Brantford Sports Council supports the development  
and delivery of youth sports in our community.**

**Brantford Sports Council Member Organizations**

Brant & District Football Club	Brantford Minor Baseball
Brant Skating Club	Brantford Minor Hockey
Brant Synchro Club	Brantford Minor Lacrosse
Brantford Aquatic Club	Brantford Minor Softball
Brantford Church Hockey	Brantford Track and Field Club
Brantford City Soccer Club	Brantford Youth Flag Football
Brantford Galaxy Youth Soccer Club	Special Olympics Ontario Brantford
Brantford Girls Hockey	

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## **Keynote Speaker**

LANCE VIPOND

Lance began skating at age 3 with the Brant Skating Club. In 1987 he finished 9th in Novice Men at the Canadian Championships. The following year, he won the free skate in the same event and finished 5th.

During the 1989 / 1990 season Lance represented Canada at the Oslo Piruetten, placing 1st before finishing 5th in Junior Men at the Canadian Championships. He competed at the 1990 Coupe Des Alpes and Nebelhorn Trophy international competitions, finishing 5th and 9th in Senior Men and finished 18th at the 1991 World Junior Championships.

Lance competed at four Senior national championships between 1991 and 1996 before retiring at age 24.

He has gone on to a choreography career that has been highlighted by his recent work with Canadians Katelyn Osmond and Keegan Messing.

Osmond is the 2018 Olympic bronze medallist and current world champion, while Messing also competed in the 2018 Olympics.

In 2018 Lance was inducted into the Brantford and Area Sports Hall of Recognition to recognize his figure skating accomplishments.

### **The Adrian Scherders Memorial Award - Sportsmanship and Dedication**

Adrian Scherders' passion for sports began as a multi-sport athlete that included his annual quest to run in the Boston to Brantford race. His passion for sports grew into a love for coaching soccer, hockey and lacrosse. Throughout the years, Adrian took an active role in coaching the teams that his children played on no matter what sport they wanted to play. Whether it was other people's children or his own, his goal was to teach youth about dedication, good sportsmanship and playing with integrity. Adrian would be very honoured to know that this award is being named in his memory.

*Award sponsored by The Scherders Family*

2018 Finalists      Jacob Alway – Brantford Youth Flag Football  
                                 Angela Marina – Brantford Aquatic Club  
                                 Jacob Sheppard – Brantford Minor Hockey

### **The Phyllis Gretzky Memorial Award – Female Youth Leadership**

Phyllis Gretzky was likely the least famous member of Canada's first family of hockey but many will tell you that she was the most important one. It was her dedication to her family that allowed Wayne to have the kind of success that he did. She was the family stalwart who kept everything cool and collected throughout Wayne's rise to stardom, doing whatever was necessary behind the scenes to make sure that everything was as normal as possible. Her quiet leadership was the glue that kept the family foundation together.

*Award sponsored by K & D Insulation Ltd.*

2018 Finalists      Nicole Kelly – BCI Girls Hockey  
                                 Caeley Salmon – Brant Synchro Club  
                                 Alexa Windle – Brantford Track & Field Club

### **The Frank Bricker Memorial Award - Male Youth Leadership**

Frank Bricker was a legend in the sport of boxing known by many in the ranks of Ontario Boxing as 'Mr. Boxing.' He was best known in Brantford for his leadership in the development of the Summerhays boys, the three boxing brothers who competed in national and international level competitions. In 1970 all three turned pro and became the only set of three brothers to compete on the same card at Madison Square Garden, an accomplishment that can be attributed to Bricker's work. Through his efforts Frank put Brantford on the world boxing map for his ability to teach and train high calibre boxers.

*Award sponsored by Phil McColeman, MP Brant*

2018 Finalists      Tristan Berridge – Brantford Aquatic Club  
                                 Ethan Jamieson – Brant & District Football Club  
                                 Josh Linington – Brantford Track & Field Club

### **The Dave Levac Award - The Award of Excellence for Sports Officiating**

This award is being presented as a positive recognition for the dedication of our sports officials. Most officials prefer not to be noticed, especially during a contest. Unfortunately too many times sports officials receive unwanted and sometimes unnecessary attention. What is not well known is the amount of time that officials spend on their development, training and mentoring of younger officials.

*Award sponsored by Dave Levac*

2018 Finalists      Mark Baxter – Brant Norfolk Referrees Association  
Shannon Scheffel – Brantford Aquatic Club  
George Whittingham – Brantford City Soccer Club

### **The John Macklin Memorial Award - Coach of the Year**

John Macklin began coaching and officiating track and field in Brantford from 1966 until 1994. During that time he helped coach many athletes from Brantford including Liz Polyak, Kevin Sullivan and Rick Mannen, who would go on to national and international competitions. Along the way he became a respected official on the international stage officiating at almost every national and international meet in Canada during the 1970's and 1980's. In addition to coaching and officiating, John was also the organizer of the Brant County track and field and cross country championships for many years.

*Award sponsored by The Macklin Family*

2018 Finalists      Sean Doucette – Brantford Track & Field Club  
Andrea Hawkins – Brantford CYO Girls Basketball  
Scott Rex – Brantford Minor Hockey

### **The George Churchill Memorial Award - Sports Volunteer of the Year**

George Churchill would have found himself nominated for this award for decades, if it had existed during his time. His tireless work with the track and field program allowed Brantford to become a hub for some of the best competitions in the sport. He was the man behind the organization and executions of just about every meet during the 1960's, 70's, 80's, and 90's. He was also the coach of Brantford's first track and field member, Debbie Miller, who competed at the 1968 Olympics.

*Award sponsored by Paul and Grace Wilson & Family*

2018 Finalists      Michelle Cabral – Brantford Aquatic Club  
Dan Davis – Brantford Youth Flag Football  
Lisa Link – Brant Synchron Club

### **The Jack Calbeck Memorial Award - Lifetime Sports Sponsorship**

Jack Calbeck was known for his leadership in Brantford's business community for many years and his generosity for countless worthwhile causes. He always had a passion for sports and was a great supporter of many sports teams at all levels. Jack was not only generous with his time but also with his financial support for minor sports.

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2018 Finalists      Domino's  
                            K & D Insulation Ltd.  
                            Millards Chartered Professional Accountants

### **The George Jones Memorial Award - Lifetime Sports Volunteerism**

George Jones will forever be remembered as the man who built the sport of rugby with his bare hands. He started the Brantford Harlequins Rugby Club in 1950, and used his own money to purchase the land on which to build the rugby club. During his 50+ years as a player and coach of the sport, George helped to develop decades of championship teams and high caliber athletes. His development of the sport locally was just part of his accomplishment, as he is directly responsible for most of the rugby clubs and school programs that can be found in South Western Ontario. His tireless dedication to the sport is shown in every athlete who played for George, and his love for the game has built a sports legacy in our community.

*Award sponsored by the Brantford Harlequins Rugby Football Club*

2018 Finalists      Crosby Gibson – Brantford Aquatic Club  
                            Bill Williams – Bell City Boxing Club  
                            Stan Worosz – Arnold Anderson Sport Fund

### **The Jimmy Wilkes Memorial Award - Team of the Year**

Jimmy Wilkes has been a legend of baseball in this community ever since arriving to play with the Brantford Red Sox in 1953. He was involved with the league as a player and umpire for over 30 years. His quiet leadership helped lead the Brantford Red Sox to several championships as well as with the development of many players throughout the Inter-County league and Brantford Minor Baseball.

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2018 Finalists      Brantford Bisons Bantam Spring Football – Brant &  
                            District Football Club  
                            Brantford Diamondbacks Under 10 Girls Softball –  
                            Brantford Minor Softball  
                            Brantford Minor Hockey Minor AAA Midget – Brantford  
                            Minor Hockey



## **The Frank Tomlin Memorial Award - Sportsperson of the Year**

This award is named in honour of the late Frank Tomlin, who passed away in 1976. Tomlin is remembered as a great sports fan that was passionate about his city and those who represented it. Gord Showler, who at the time of Frank's death was a sponsor of the Brantford Junior 'B' franchise, initiated the award. Each year the Frank Tomlin award recognizes an individual from Brantford whose contributions to sport has had a great impact on this community. The winner of the award must be active in the sport for which they are nominated; however work done in previous years is also taken into consideration. No individual can win the award in consecutive years but the award can be won by the same individual more than once.

*Award sponsored by The Bisons Alumni*

### **2018 SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR – ZAC DALPE**

#### **Overview:**

- grew up playing minor hockey in his hometown of Paris, Ontario
- played for the Paris Wolfpack of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association's Southern Counties League
- later played for the Brantford 99'ers AAA club in Western Ontario's Pavilion League
- in 2004-05, Dalpe advanced to the AAA Minor Midget level for the 99'ers
- former Ohio State University standout
- played in the British Columbia Hockey League and Central Collegiate Hockey Association before turning professional
- Carolina's second round pick, 45th overall, in the 2008 NHL Draft
- notched 12-13-25 with 36 penalty minutes in 141 career NHL games with the Columbus Blue Jackets, Minnesota Wild, Buffalo Sabres, Vancouver Canucks and Carolina Hurricanes
- has run a local hockey camp with his brothers
- has participated in Hockey Night in Brantford



#### **2018 Highlights:**

- currently playing forward for Columbus' American Hockey League affiliate - Cleveland Monsters
- serving as one of the Monster's assistant captains, leads the club in goals, points (tied), power-play goals (four, tied) and game-winning goals (two, tied) and has recorded 14 goals and 13 assists for 27 points with 29 penalty minutes and a +4 plus/minus rating in 28 games with the Monsters this season
- one of 25 players chosen for Team Canada at the 2018 Spengler Cup tournament in Davos, Switzerland, the Spengler Cup is the world's oldest club tournament with top club teams and national teams competing including teams from Finland, Russia, Czech Republic, Switzerland, Germany
- selected to participate in the 2019 Lexus American Hockey League All-Star Classic

## **SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR WINNERS**

- 1976 BILL MOFFAT - BASEBALL
- 1977 WALLY KALICHUK - HOCKEY
- 1978 GARY SUMMERHAYES - BOXING
- 1979 WAYNE GRETZKY - HOCKEY
- 1980 LIZ POLYAK - TRACK & FIELD
- 1981 DAVE CHEETHAM - BASEBALL
- 1982 WAYNE GRETZKY - HOCKEY
- 1983 FRANK BRICKER - BOXING
- 1984 TED WEIRDA - BASEBALL & BASKETBALL
- 1985 RICK MANNEN - LONG DISTANCE RUNNING
- 1986 EDITH HAYMAN - BADMINTON
- 1987 STEVE BROWN - GAMES FOR DISABLED
- 1988 KEVIN SULLIVAN - TRACK & FIELD
- 1989 LYDIA VAMOS - SOCCER
- 1990 BOB & LAUREL BARNES - BASEBALL & HOCKEY
- 1991 BETH RICHARDSON - BADMINTON
- 1992 JULIE HOWARD - SWIMMING
- 1993 KEVIN SULLIVAN - TRACK & FIELD
- 1994 ROGER DAVIS - OVERALL CONTRIBUTION
- 1995 PAUL POLLILO - HOCKEY
- 1996 JULIE HOWARD - SWIMMING
- 1997 WALTER GRETZKY - OVERALL CONTRIBUTION
- 1998 TED DECOTEAU - OVERALL CONTRIBUTION
- 1999 PAT SHEWCHUK - SPORTS PROMOTION
- 2000 KEVIN SULLIVAN - TRACK & FIELD
- 2001 DENNIS KINGS - CONTRIBUTION TO BASKETBALL
- 2002 JORDAN SZOKE - MOTORCYCLING ROAD RACING
- 2003 NATASHA FILLIOL - TRIATHLON
- 2004 DAVID HEARN - GOLF
- 2005 CINDY EADIE - SOFTBALL & HOCKEY
- 2006 NICK KACZUR - FOOTBALL
- 2007 MIKE BERES - BADMINTON
- 2008 PETER HAM - HOCKEY
- 2009 JENNIFER KIRBY - GOLF
- 2010 PAUL AUCOIN - BASEBALL
- 2011 AARON CARPENTER - RUGBY
- 2012 ADAM HENRIQUE - HOCKEY
- 2013 KRISTA DUCHENE - TRACK AND FIELD
- 2014 JOHNNY POWLESS - LACROSSE
- 2015 DAVID HEARN - GOLF
- 2016 KRISTA DUCHENE - TRACK AND FIELD
- 2017 AARON CARPENTER - RUGBY
- 2018 ZAC DALPE - HOCKEY

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