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## **8th Annual Sports Recognition Banquet**

Thursday, February 7, 2013  
Cocktails—6:00p.m.  
Dinner—7:00p.m.  
Branlyn Community Centre  
Brantford, Ontario

### **About the BSC**

The Brantford Sports Council was established in March of 2005, after an initiative by the Sport Alliance to have community sports councils as representative bodies throughout the province. The purpose of the organization is to improve the delivery of sports in our community.

The Brantford Sports Council has taken on several initiatives during their brief existence, not the least of which is tonight's banquet. The Council has worked diligently on a funding formula that would allow for fair distribution of municipal grant monies to the minor sports that use city facilities. The BSC has held several workshops and clinics to help minor sports organizations with their by-laws and constitutions to make sure that the athletes, coaches, and volunteers are protected by their governing body.

### **2012 BSC Member Organizations**

**Brantford Aquatic Club**  
**Brantford District Football Club**  
**Brantford Youth Flag Football**  
**Brantford Minor Softball**  
**Brantford Minor Baseball**  
**Brantford Minor Hockey**  
**Brantford Church Hockey**  
**Brantford Girls Hockey**  
**Brantford Galaxy Youth Soccer Club**  
**Brantford Minor Lacrosse**  
**Brant Skating Club**  
**Brantford Synchro Club**  
**Brantford Track and Field**  
**Brantford City Soccer Club**  
**Arnold Anderson Sport Fund**

### **2012 BSC Board Members**

<b>Ron Birkett</b>	<b>Carmine Romano</b>
<b>Bill Harding</b>	<b>Rhonda Boylan</b>
<b>Jim Turnbull</b>	<b>Rick Mannen</b>
<b>Alex Nagy</b>	<b>Trudy Ion</b>
<b>Bob Coyne</b>	<b>Ed Long—PRW Liaison</b>
<b>Melanie Medlar—City Liaison</b>	

### **BRANTFORD'S SPORTSMAN 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 - COACHING 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

### **The Frank Tomlin Memorial Award**

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 Brantford's Junior 'B' franchise, initiated the award.

Each year, the Frank Tomlin award recognizes an individual from Brantford who's contribution 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.

### **2012 Frank Tomlin Award Winner – Adam Henrique**

Adam grew up in Burford and started playing his minor hockey in his home town before moving up to play AAA hockey with the Brantford '99ers. After his minor midget year, Adam was drafted in the second round of the OHL draft by the Windsor Spitfires.

Adam had a very successful junior career that included a Gold Medal at the 2007 Canada Games playing for Team Ontario U-17 and he was also a Silver Medal winner as a member of Team Canada at the 2010 World Junior Hockey Championships. Adam's success was not only representing his province and country as he was a winner of two Memorial Cup Championships with the Spitfires in 2009 and in 2010 where Adam was awarded with Wayne Gretzky Award as the Playoff MVP in the Ontario Hockey League.

In the 2008 NHL entry draft, Adam was selected in the 3rd round, 82nd overall by the New Jersey Devils. After a very good first professional season with the Albany Devils of the AHL, Adam played his first NHL game on April 11, 2011. He started the 2011-2012 season in Albany before being called up the NHL again after 3 games and had an excellent rookie season scoring 16 goals and 35 assists in 74 regular season games. In the 2012 NHL playoffs, Adam again excelled and scored two series clinching overtime goals to help his team to the Stanley Cup Finals.

Adam was named one of the three finalists for the 2012 Calder Trophy which is awarded to the NHL rookie of the year.

The Brantford Sports Council is very proud to award the 2012 Frank Tomlin Memorial Award to Adam Henrique.

### **Award Namesake Profiles**

#### **Adrian Scherders Memorial—Sportsmanship and Dedication**

Adrian Scherders' passion for sports began as a multi-sport athlete, including 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, he took an active role in coaching the teams that his children played on no matter what sport it was that 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.

2012 Nominees      Garrett Riley  
                                    Kaleigh Russell  
                                    Skylar Turkiewicz

#### **Jack Calbeck Memorial – Lifetime Sports Sponsorship**

For many years, Jack Calbeck was a not only a leader in the business community in Brantford, but he was a leader in his generosity to worthwhile causes in our city. Jack always had a passion for sports and as such, he was a great supporter of sporting groups at all levels and was not only generous with his time, but also with his financial support.

The Brantford Sports Council is proud to present this award and to recognize those groups and businesses that help to make sport possible in our city.

2012 Nominees      Asco Power  
                                    Roger Davis  
                                    Bob Wilson

## Award Namesake Profiles

### **Frank Bricker Memorial – Male Youth Leadership**

During his time, Frank Bricker was a legend in the sport of boxing. Known by many in the ranks of Ontario Boxing as 'Mr. Boxing', Frank is best known in Brantford for his events in the development of the Summerhayes boys, the three boxing brothers who competed in national and international level competition. All 3 turned pro in 1970, 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, he put Brantford on the world boxing map for his ability to teach and train high calibre boxers.

2012 Nominees      Marc Muise  
                             Mitch Santilli  
                             Andre Toic

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

Phyllis is 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 it could have been. Her quiet leadership was the glue that kept the foundation together.

2012 Nominees      Jerika Baldin  
                             Madelaine Dailey  
                             Kendra Van Leeuwen

### **George Churchill Memorial – Sports Volunteer of the Year**

Had the category existed during his day, George Churchill would have found himself nominated for this award for decades. His tireless work with the track and field program here in Brantford allowed Brantford to become a hub for some of the best competitions in the sport. He was the man behind the organization and execution of just about every meet during the 60's, 70's, 80's, and even in to the 90's. He was also the coach of Brantford's first track and field member to make the Olympic Games, with Debbie Miller in 1968.

2012 Nominees      Jason Laronde  
                             Kim Mitchell  
                             Paul Yurcich

### **Jimmy Wilkes Memorial– Team of the Year**

When you talk about the sport of baseball in Brantford, the conversation will inevitably include the name Jimmy Wilkes. 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, then as an umpire, for over 30 years. His quiet leadership helped lead the Red Sox to several championships, as well as with the development of many players throughout the Inter-County league as well as Brantford Minor Baseball.

2012 Nominees      ACS Senior Football  
                             BCI Junior Boys Rugby  
                             Brantford Bantam A Ice Cats

### **John Macklin Memorial – Coach of the Year**

Macklin began coaching and officiating track and field in Brantford in 1966, and continued through until 1994. During his time, he helped to coach many athletes from Brantford who would go on to national and international competition, including the likes of Liz Polyak, Kevin Sullivan and Rick Mannen. 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. On top of coaching and officiating, he also was the organizer of the Brant County Track and Field and Cross Country championships for many years.

2012 Nominees      Marc Cohoon  
                             Brian Cross  
                             Raj Saini

### **George Jones Memorial – Lifetime Volunteerism**

Jones will forever be remembered as the man who built the sport of rugby with his bare hands. George 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 calibre 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.

2012 Nominees      Bob Coyne  
                             Kevin & Eleanor Murray  
                             Dave Shewfelt