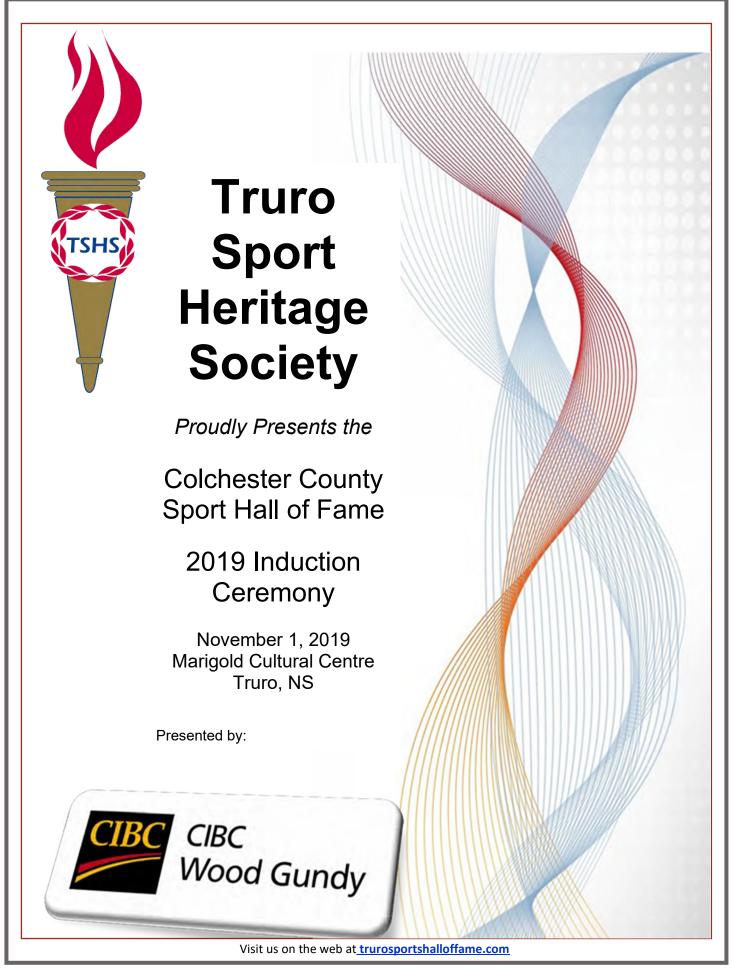
The Truro Sport Heritage Society was established in 1984 to recognize sporting achievements of the residents of Colchester County. The Society's Board of Directors, both past and present, worked hard at finding a permanent home to celebrate the community's sport heritage. The Hall highlights the past achievements and successes of local athletes, teams, and builders.

The Colchester County Sport Hall of Fame was opened in September 2006 and is located in the Marigold Cultural Centre in downtown Truro on 605 Prince Street. Each year the Society inducts athletes, teams, and builders into the Sport Hall of Fame. The Hall honours past Honour Roll inductees, along with those inducted since the Hall opened, on the CIBC Wood Gundy "Wall of Fame".

The Society and Sport Hall of Fame also celebrates present day athletes and looks to foster sport development and participation throughout Colchester County. Each year the Society hosts a Sports Awards Dinner to publicly recognize present day athletes, along with members of the community, who are making an outstanding contribution to sport. The Society accepts nominations from the public for the Awards Dinner and encourages the public to submit nominations for review. A copy of the nomination form can be found on the website, <a href="trurosportshalloffame.com">trurosportshalloffame.com</a>.



The *Truro Sport Heritage Society* is pleased to honour these fine athletes and sport contributors as the 2019 inductees to the "Wall of Fame" located at the Colchester County Sport Hall of Fame. The Society is proud to celebrate our sport heritage, highlight the achievements and successes of our local athletes, coaches, and volunteers who sponsor sport development and participation throughout Colchester County. The Hall of Fame consists of all our past honour roll inductees, who were inducted over the past 36 years at our annual Sport Awards Dinner. We welcome and congratulate all the Hall of Fame recipients. We also extend thanks to all previous board members for their contributions to the Truro Sport Heritage Society over the years.

The Society would also like to recognize and thank the following businesses for their support:

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### 2019 WALL OF FAME INDUCTEES



(Back Row from left to right)
Steve Johnson, Dave Fulton, Bill McDougall, Terry Baker, Sue Kaye, Mike Swail, Mort
Schurman, Byron Nelson, Becky Bell Routledge, Paul Price, Pat Saxton

(Front Row from left to right)
Joe McDougal, Stephan Locke, Harold Purdy, Gordie Muir, Doug Conrad,
Dave Conrad, Tom Burlock



Sunday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020





Truro, NS

Currently seeking nominations of Athletes, Teams, & Coaches that has a significant sporting accomplishment in 2019.

Justin Palardy has had an outstanding football career.

Justin grew up a football player as a member of the Truro

Minor Football Association Bombers and Freightliners teams.

Justin was a standout with the CEC Cougar football team from 2003 to 2005. He was award d rookie of the year honours in 2003. He was named to the NSSAF All-Star team - three times as a punter and twice as a placekicker. In grade 11, Justin was named the NSSAF special teams player of the year.

From 2002 to 2005, Justin played on Team Nova Scotia. He played on the under-15 team for two seasons, winning defensive MVP in 2003. He played for two seasons on the under-17 team. Justin competed on the national stage with Team Nova Scotia twice, and in 2005, he was named to the Canada Cup All-Star team and received the special teams player of the tournament award.

Justin capped off his minor league football career by being named the IKON Sport Nova Scotia male team athlete of the year for Nova Scotia Football in 2006.



## Justin Palardy

From 2006 to 2009 Justin attended Saint Mary's University. He played four seasons at Saint Mary's where he earned a spot on the AUS All-Star team three times as a placekicker and twice as a punter. In his rookie season with the Huskies, Justin was awarded the SMU and AUS rookie of the year award and was a nominee for the Peter Gorman Award (CIS Rookie of the Year). Justin connected on 65 of 84 field goal attempts and etched his name into the AUS record book by kicking the most field goals (65), converts (119) and points (320) in a career and kicked the most field goals (23) in a season.

Justin broke five Saint Mary's kicking records along with leading the AUS in scoring in 2006 and 2007 and in 2009, Justin led both the AUS and CIS in scoring. Justin capped off the 2009 season with being named to the CIS All Canadian Team (2nd Team) and winning the SMU football MVP award. Justin was a member of the Huskies when they won three straight AUS championships (2007-2009) and in 2007, his Huskies beat the Laval Rouge et Or to capture the Uteck Bowl championship (CIS National Semi). Throughout Justin's career with the Huskies, he was the recipient of the James McPherson Memorial Scholarship and achieved his university degree in 2011.

In 2010, Justin was drafted into the Canadian Football League by the Hamilton Tiger Cats in the fifth round, 36th overall. Justin cracked the starting roster with the Tiger Cats out of training camp and was named the teams' starting punter. After five games, he was released and picked up by the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, where he played for four seasons. In the 2010 season, Justin set the Blue Bombers single season record for placekicking accuracy with 86.7%, a feat he would equal in 2012. Also in 2012, Justin was named the Blue Bombers special teams player of the year and was also named to the Truro Minor Football Association's All-50 Team (1962-2012). In 2011, Justin and the Blue Bombers defeated the Tiger Cats in the CFL East Final, granting them a birth into the 99th Grey Cup against the BC Lions.

Following the 2013 season, Justin was released from the Blue Bombers but went on to spend time with the Saskatchewan Roughriders and Ottawa Red Blacks. In 2015, Justin signed with the Toronto Argonauts. While with the Argos, Justin played both placekicker and punter throughout the season and was able to surpass 500 career points. Justin finished his CFL career with an 81.3 field goal percentage, ranking him the seventh most accurate kicker in CFL history.

### HALL OF FAME

1986

Truro Baseball Club Lyle Carter

<u>1989</u>

Gordie Mont Truro Bearcats 1931 Hockey Club Wayne Smith

Truro Atlantic Electric Baseball

1992

1980 Truro Junior Women's Curling Lloyd Sutherland Robert Jones

<u> 1995</u>

Hugh Matheson Charlotte Johnson Frank Daniels Donald "Brick" Cameron Ralph "Ducky" Cream 1975 NS Canada Games Jr. Hockey

> 1998 Bill Sea

Bill Sears
Gerald "Bib" Dickie
Irving "Chub" Bartlett
William "Bill" Flemming
1964 North River Aces Softball
1924-26 Truro Senior Bearcats

2001

Londonderry Iron Clads John Piers Terry Henderson Webster Deuville

2004

Keith MacKenzie Ron Fielding Denny Clyke

2007

Bob Gogan Gordie Maxwell Robert Putnam Vivian Hoar Jim MacAfee

2010 Scott Fraser (posthumously)

> Frank Fraser Senior Albert Gamble Candace Tattrie David Armstrong

Al Peppard

CIBC Wood Gundy Chris Burley Cindy Tye Rhonda & Brent McGrath Somebeachsomewhere Robert Joe

2016

Luke Maxwell
Terry Hunt
Brian MacLeod
Martha Purdy
Margaret Mitchell
1973 Truro Bearcats Baseball

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Truro Slugs Ladies' Softball Stan "Chook" Maxwell 1990

> Bill MacIntyre Win Langille

1959-60 Brookfield Elks Hockey Frank Hoar

<u>1993</u>

1974 CEC Cougars Football Judge Robert F. MacLellan Carolyn MacDonald-Flemming Ismet "Hum" Joseph

1996

Donald "Lick" MacDonald Ross Mitchell Clayton MacLeod Truro Sheiks Margaret Muir Langley

1999

Reg Boudreau
Bob Harvey
Avard Mann
Bob Mentis
1975-76 Truro Junior Bearcats

2002

Darrell Maxwell Lou Medynski Donald Ross Truro Bearcats Hockey 1945-47

2005

Ron MacCormack Art Dorrington Kenny Starratt

2008

David Wilson
Jans Henderson
Clobie Collins
Jed Ritcey
Joyce Halverson
Gerry Hale
2011

Judy (Henderson) Matheson Brookfield Athletic Association

Bob Piers Glenn Matheson Lloyd Sutherland (posthumously)

<u>2014</u>

Archie Robertson John Mattatall Keith Finck Ken Poole Leslie Wilson 1982 Fletchers Fastball

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Gary McKinnon
Jennifer Lloyd MacKenzie
Herb Peppard
Truro District Hockey League
Doug MacKenzie
2010 Team Colleen Pinkney

1988

Gerry Glinz 1970-71 Truro Junior Bearcats

1991 1980 Brookfield Elks Softball Les Topshee Clarence Johnson

> Johnny Graham 1994

··· Harold E. (Casey) Power

Ken Marchant

Kenneth M. "Dutchie" Mumford

1997

Anne Flemming Gookin Frank MacDonald Don Henderson Senior Bill Gatchell 1978-82 CEC Girls' Basketball

2000

Mert Crowell Hartley Weatherby Dot Holmes 1969 Truro Keiths' Softball

2003

Ron "Offie" Conrad TSN Truro Bearcats Stu Rath Donnie Dennis

<u>2006</u>

Eldon Chapman Sam Riddell The Meredith Doyle Rink Jim Cumming Randy Crowell

Randy Crowell Mike Henderson Hanson T. Dowell

Vernon Hopper David Peirs

2009 Chris Bernard

Fred Hendersonh John Mentis Lloyd Mitchell Larry Archibald Steve Morrisey

2012

Robyn Pickrem-Deveau Freeman Maxwell Greg Patton Don Cormier Mr. Kool Radiator Jr. Baseball

<u>2015</u>

Earl McKenna Don Hazelton Scott Cameron 1999-2001 CEC Girls' Volleyball

2018

Sue Kaye Stephen Locke 1968 Truro Trojan Football Becky Bell Routledge Terry Baker

## 2002 Truro Senior Bearcats Baseball Team



2002 Truro Senior Bearcats Baseball Team - NS Champs - Col. Hall of Fame Inductees

Truro has a rich baseball history. From the early days of the infamous H&D semi-pro baseball days - where top notch American prospects played their summer baseball in Truro and other Nova Scotia teams - to the present time, Truro is known for being a good baseball Town.

In 2002, the Truro Senior Bearcats Baseball Team, of the Nova Scotia Senior Baseball League, made history. They won the Nova Scotia Championship for the first time in 56 years. On a fine September evening at the TAAC Grounds, team leader Kevin Matheson clubbed a 10th inning 0-2 pitch over the fence for a championship winning home run over their nemesis, the Dartmouth Moosehead Dry. The crowd of more than 500 went wild and they and those players will never forget that moment.

The Bearcat team consisted of former outstanding player and long-time coach Glen Matheson at the helm and a nucleus of veterans who had been playing for the best part of a decade. Kevin Matheson, Jeff Fielding, and Craig Higgins had been season-after-season, leading the Bearcat team against the other strong teams in the Nova Scotia league, with no gold medals to show for it. But it all came together in 2002 when they along with a strong mix of young and veteran players like Jason Hoyt and Kelly Spencer dedicated themselves to winning.

This team will be deservingly inducted into the Colchester Sports Hall of Fame to remind young and old of the proud Truro Bearcat baseball history.

## Justin Palardy Continued...

In 2015, Justin returned home to Truro to coach the TMFA Freightliners for one season, in which they won the Provincial Tier 1 title.

Following the 2015 season, Justin enrolled in the Atlantic Police Academy where he went on to graduate with the Hood Crossman Award (Top Cadet) and the Harvey O. Brown Award (Top Academic). Justin is now a police officer with the Halifax Regional Police Service.

In 2018, Justin returned to the coaching ranks and joined the Dalhousie Tigers football team as a special teams and offensive assistant coach. The Tigers finished the 2018 AFL season undefeated and won the league championship.

Although still a young man, Justin Palardy is certainly deserving of a place in the Colchester County Sports Hall of Fame for his outstanding career and football contributions.

### Dennis Petterson

Talent, hard work, determination and a competitive edge helped Dennis excel in hockey and fastball. Dennis won a Maritime Midget "A" Hockey Championship and was named tournament MVP in 1971 with the East Hants Penguins. He was an all-star goaltender in the Metro Valley Jr. B League from 1973-74 & 1074-74 and won a silver medal in the 1975 Canada Winter Games in Lethbridge Alberta.

Dennis won 3 Championships and three Top goaltender Awards from 1983-86 with the Shubenacadie Eagles of the Truro and District Junior Fastball Championship in 1973 and the Brookfield Elks.

While playing for the Senior Elk, Dennis hit a home run on the first pitch and won 3 medals; silver in 1977, bronze in 1978 and gold in 1980. Dennis also won a bronze medal at the Senior Men's World Fastball Championship in Santa Clara, California while representing Canada in 1981.

Additionally he is a member of the Nova Scotia and East Hants Sport Halls of Fame.



## Denise (Caughey) Sondjo



Every weekend, since Denise Caughey-Sondjo was 15 years old, she was dedicated to hockey — playing or officiating. She played a high level of hockey as a strong skater on defense in midget AA and became the first female to play on the CEC boys hockey team.

Denise started officiating women's hockey in 1998 while living in Colchester County. Denise worked her way up the officiating ladder by officiating minor hockey through high school. Her talents were recognized as she was invited to officiate at the womens hockey national championships from 2002 to 2004. She gained her first international assignment in 2005, when she participated in the IIHF World Women's Hockey Championship (Division 2).

Since then, the assignments grew bigger.

She has officiated the IIHF World Women's Hockey Championships in the top tier. In 2013, she got the call for the bronze-medal game.

Her dedication, hard work and knowledge of the game led her to a much deserved opportunity to work the 2014 Sochi Olympics with the International Hockey Federation. Denise was one of three Canadians of the 15 officials at the Sochi Olympics. During the Games, Denise was on the ice for the Russia vs. Japan match, the Japan vs. Germany match, the Russia vs. Switzerland match, and the U.S. vs. Sweden match. Unfortunately for Denise, but great for Canada, she was not eligible to officiate the gold medal game since Canada was a competitor. Instead, Denise officiated the bronze medal game between Switzerland and Sweden. This was truly a highlight of Denise's officiating career.

Denise has led the way in hockey officiating on the world stage and is certainly deserving of being inducted into the Colchester Sports Hall of Fame.