

SASKATOON SPORTS HALL OF FAME



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Jerry Shoemaker Hall of Fame president

Builder inductee, 2009

It is my pleasure to bring you greetings from our board of directors of the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame. Our goal for 2013 is to increase the number of nominations we receive. We know Saskatoon has many athletes and builders that deserve to be in our Hall. I encourage all of you to consider making a nomination.

I would also like to thank retiring board members Ralph Schoenfeld, Phyllis Wilson, Bill Seymour and Heather Kuttai for their contribution. I welcome new board members Don Cousins, Ken Gunn, John Neufeld, Bob Reindl and Ron Walsh. I would also like

to welcome returning board members Ed Bryant, Allan Few, Mary Green, Ian Mirtle, Noreen Murphy, Keith McLean and Ron Woodley.

Plans are now underway for our 28th induction ceremonies and dinner set for Saturday, Nov. 2 at TCU Place.

We are accepting nominations for team, builder and athlete categories. Submission deadline is April 1. Nomination forms are available at the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame office at the Field House or on our website: saskatoonsportshalloffame.com

Touching base with Hall of Fame

Dave King is formally named to the Order of Hockey in Canada in April. King is in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame as head coach of the 1982-83 University of Saskatchewan Huskies as well as being inducted into the Canadian Olympic Hall of Fame and the International Ice Hockey Hall of Fame. He is in his second season as development coach of the NHL's Phoenix Coyotes. **Gordie Howe**, who is also in the Saskatoon Hall, was one of the charter recipients last year of the Order of Hockey in Canada. **Willie Desjardins**, who is in the Hall with the 1983 Huskies hockey team, has been added to the Wall of Honour in the College of Education at the University of Saskatchewan. Desjardins earned a Bachelor of Education from the U of S. He was a head coach of the University of Calgary Dinos in CIS and in the WHL with the Saskatoon Blades and Medicine Hat Tigers. He was an assistant coach of the Canadian team that won a gold medal at the 2009 world junior championship in Ottawa and head coach of the Canadian team that won silver at the 2010 worlds in Saskatoon. Desjardins is now head coach of the Texas Stars, the AHL development team in Cedar Park for the NHL's Dallas Stars. **Chuck Armstrong** is in the Hall as an athlete with the 1970-71 University of Saskatchewan Huskies track and field team and as a trainer with the Huskies women's teams in 1984-85 and 1985-86. Chuck's daughter **Melissa Armstrong**, 22, won a bronze medal as a pitcher with the Canadian women's baseball team at the World Cup in Edmonton last summer. Melissa has been on the national team five of the last six years. Hall inductee **Jim McClements** is a referee for a Canada Cup speed skating meet in March in Calgary. Inductee **Yves Belanger** was a starter at World Cup trials for the Canadian team at the start of this season. Builder inductee **Ross Wilson** is the new mayor of Lumsden Beach on Last Mountain Lake near Regina.



Melissa Armstrong



Arlene McGinn

Since 1990, Calgary's High School Athletic Association has presented an annual award for the female basketball player of the year. The winner receives the **Arlene McGinn Award**, named after an inductee into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame. McGinn was on the Saskatoon Adilman Aces who won the Canadian women's basketball championship in 1959. She also played basketball for City Park Collegiate and the Moose Jaw Temple Belles, basketball and volleyball for the University of Saskatchewan and softball for the Saskatoon Clippers and Saskatoon Ramblers. As a high school coach, McGinn led Moose Jaw Central to the girls provincial high school final in 1962, finishing as runner-up to Saskatoon Sion, and Central to the title in 1963. She was later principal at St. Mary's High School in Calgary and president of the Alberta Schools Athletic Association. Besides the Arlene McGinn basketball award, there is a McGinn Trophy. It goes to third-place finisher in the 2A division in the Alberta high school provincial girls volleyball championship. Hall inductees **Keith Russell** (gymnastics) and **Lyle Sanderson** (track and field) are among the national recipients of the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for helping to develop and deliver the National Coaching Certification Program. **Henrietta Goplen**, a builder inductee for speed skating, received a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 to honour her achievements and contributions in Saskatchewan. A previous edition of this newsletter named Bedford Road students and teachers who have won a national football championship with the Hilltops. Add to the list Hilltop coaches **Dean Dickson** and **Gord Simle** plus players **Bruce Anderson**, **Dale Clark** and **Wayne Makowecy**.



Ed Carleton

Ed Carleton has received national honours. Carleton, who is in the Hall as an assistant coach with the 1996 University of Saskatchewan football team, has been given the Gino Fracas Award as the volunteer coach of the year in Canadian Interuniversity Sport. Carleton played linebacker for the Huskies for five years, became an assistant coach in 1992 and has been defensive co-ordinator since 1996. **Dr. Gale Downey** died in November in Harlingen, Texas. Downey, a neurologist, is the son of Hall of Fame inductee **Clarence Downey**, who organized the first speed skating club in Saskatoon. Gale was a Canadian juvenile champion in speed skating in 1953. In basketball, he was on the Nutana Blues team that was runner-up to Moose Jaw Tech Toilers in the provincial high school championship in 1957. Downey played guard for the University of Saskatchewan Huskies. **John Dewar**, 49, died in January. Dewar was a superintendent of education with Saskatoon Public Schools. He played basketball for the City Park Cowboys in high school. Dewar was a guard at the University of Saskatchewan for five years from 1981-82 to 1985-86 where he was a Canada West University conference all-star and twice finished sixth with the Huskies at nationals. **Charles (Chuck) Porter** died in January, age 72. Porter was part of Saskatoon's softball scene for years as a player, trainer, assistant manager, league president and announcer. **Erin Cumpstone**, who was a catcher on the national women's softball team for 12 years, and **Keith MacKintosh** have joined Softball Canada's national team coaching pool. Cumpstone played in the Olympics in 2004 in Athens and 2008 in Beijing. She was a member of the DBJ Leasing club in Saskatoon. MacKintosh is head coach of Saskatchewan women's team for the Canada Games this summer in Sherbrooke, Que. He won a bronze medal as an infielder on the Canadian men's team at the 2009 International Softball Congress championship in Saskatoon.

Glenna Sebestyen, 13, of Saskatoon wins the Canadian junior women's gymnastics championship in Vancouver in 1964. Sebestyen is competing against gymnasts who are up to seven years older than her.

Gail Daley, 18, of Saskatoon is the senior women's champion for the third consecutive year. Irene Haworth of Saskatoon is fifth.

Glenna Sebestyen's father Chuck is named coach-manager of the Canadian men's gymnastics team for the 1964 Summer Olympics in Tokyo. Daley, whose best apparatus is vault, is on the Canadian women's team in the 1964 Olympics.



Gail Daley

SASKATOON SPRINGBOARD

Three former divers from Saskatoon are in the Who's Who of Canadian sport, a book by Bob Ferguson with more than 4,900 biographies. Because Ron Friesen and Kathy (Rollo) Seaman competed as Saskatoon residents, they are eligible to be nominated to the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame.

Nancy (Robertson) Brawley

● Born in Saskatoon, Robertson trained in Saskatoon, Edmonton, Oshawa, Ont., Pickering, Ont., and Vancouver.

● Competed in 1968 Mexico Olympics and 1972 Munich Olympics.

● Bronze medalist in 1967 Pan Am Games in Winnipeg, silver medalist in 1970 Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh, gold medalist in 1971 Pan Games in Cali, Colombia.

● International diving judge; manager on Canadian national team 1986-87.

Ron Friesen

● A native of Moose Jaw, Friesen is a six time Canadian university champion at the University of Saskatchewan and five time Canadian senior diving champion.

● Bronze medalist in 1970 Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh.

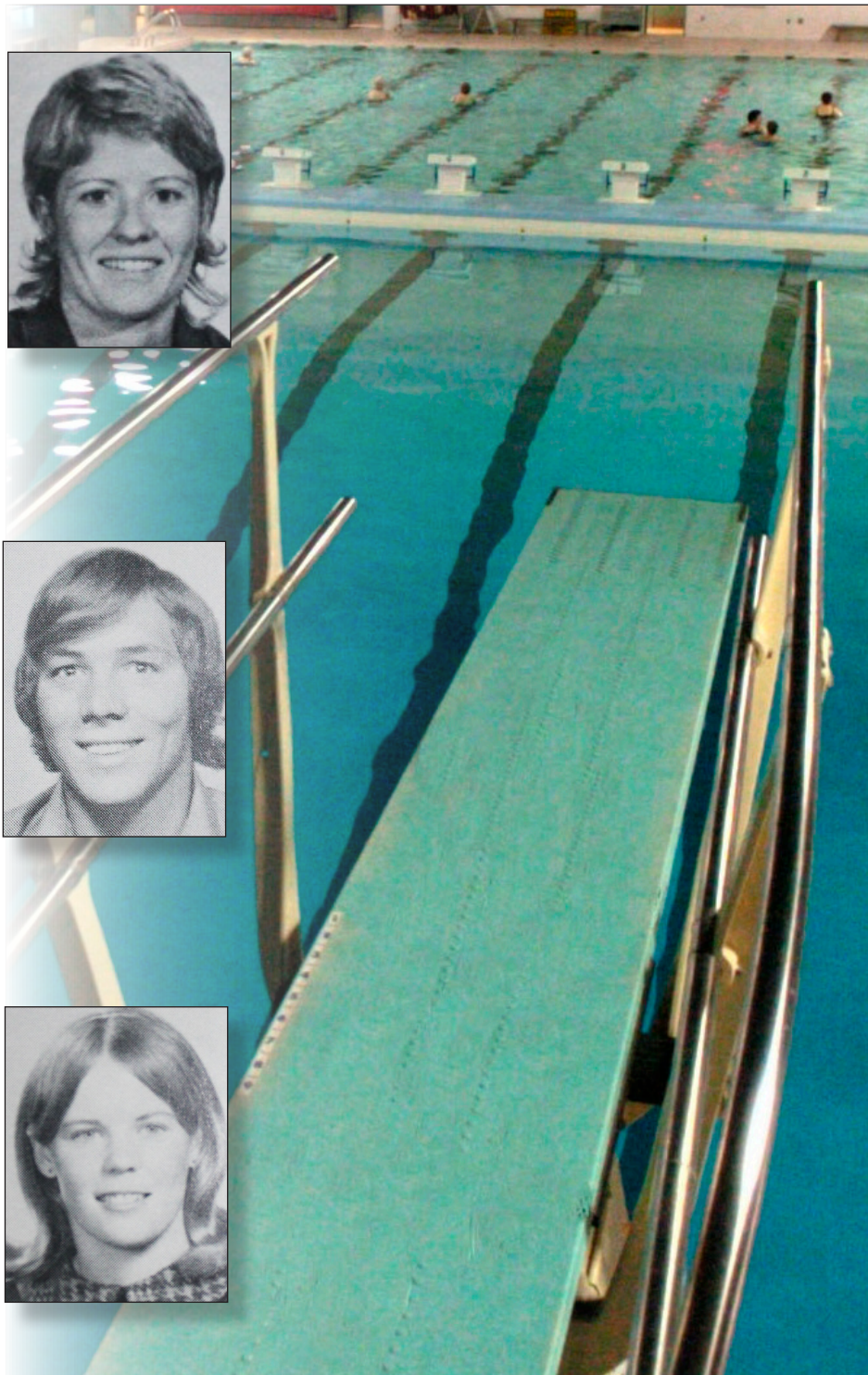
● Competed in 1970 Universiade in Turin, Italy, 1971 Pan Am Games in Cali, Colombia, 1972 Olympics in Munich.

Kathy (Rollo) Seaman

● Born in Warroad, Minn., and raised in Saskatoon.

● Rollo competed in 1967 Pan American Games in Winnipeg, 1970 Commonwealth Games in Edinburgh, 1972 Olympics in Munich.

● Coached for three years; international diving judge.



Do you know an athlete, builder or team to be considered for induction?

Nomination forms are at saskatoonsportshalloffame.com



China's Shanghai Sports Institute played the University of Saskatchewan Huskies and the provincial under-18 volleyball team

Hall of Fame inductees go international

Saskatoon's Sports Hall of Fame had Chinese connections in December. Saskatchewan's under-18 female volleyball team played a series of matches against the Shanghai Sports Institute in Saskatchewan, then travelled to China to play in Shanghai and Hangzhou.

Hall of Fame builder inductee **Anne Cote** is head coach of the Saskatchewan under-18 team and inductee **Sherry Saxton-Richards** is an assistant coach. Athletes on the club include two connections to the Hall of Fame: Sherry's daughter **Ann Richards** and **Eileen (Kramchynsky) Nelson's** daughter **Katie Nelson**. Eileen played on the Canadian national women's volleyball team and is in the Hall as an athlete inductee.

Ann Richards's father **Bruce Richards** is also in the Hall of Fame. Both Bruce and wife Sherry played for the University of Saskatchewan Huskies who won national volleyball titles. Ann Richards of Assiniboia and Katie Nelson of Regina Riffel reached the quarter-finals in the Saskatchewan high school provincial volleyball championships this season. Sherry Saxton-Richards's brother **Don Saxton** is in the Hall with the Huskies volleyball team and was fourth on Canada's team in the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. Don's son **Ben Saxton**, 24, of Calgary competes internationally in beach volleyball.

Rob Pasishnik, who is in the Hall with the 1987-88 Huskies volleyball team, was named male performance coach of the year by the Saskatchewan Volleyball Association for 2011-12. **Mark Tennant**, a Hall of Fame builder and team inductee in volleyball, was in Lausanne, Switzerland in January for meetings with FIVB, the international volleyball federation, as well as meetings for Universiade, international competition for student-athletes. Tennant has served on the volleyball technical committee with the world Universiade Games since 1983.



Anne Cote



Don Saxton

City Park Cowboys defeat Holy Cross Crusaders in the northern Saskatchewan high school boys basketball final in 1973. This is the third city high school championship for City Park in the 1972-73 season after winning the football and boys volleyball titles.

Ian Mirtle, who is inducted as a builder into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame, is coach of the City Park's volleyball and basketball teams in 1973. Murray Richardson is Cowboys' head coach in football.

Dan Paulsen of City Park is the league's leading scorer in basketball in 1972-73, averaging 16 points a game in 16 games. Paulsen is Saskatoon's present fire marshal.

Bedford Road, led by Val Simonson, Ross Ann Arndt and Sherry Wright, wins the 1973 northern girls basketball championship. Regina Thom beats Bedford in the provincial high school girls final and Regina Sheldon-Williams beats City Park in the boys final.



Dan Paulsen

HOLY CROSS 50 years HIGH SCHOOL

Holy Cross in Saskatoon opened in September 1963. The first graduating class was in 1967.

- **Jim Scissons** was one of the inaugural inductees into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in 1986 for his achievements as a golfer. Scissons was a phys ed teacher at Holy Cross and coached the Crusaders high school football team.
- The track and field program at Holy Cross has won the team title at the city high school track and field championships 31 of the last 35 years with teacher and Hall inductee **Ron Zerr** playing a prominent role. Among the Hall of Fame athletes who have competed for Holy Cross in track and field are sprinter **Catriona Le May Doan** (near right), sprinter and jumper **Vanessa Monar Enweani** (far right), sprinter **Lisa (Kroll) Mattern**, hurdler and pole vaulter **Curtis Leschyshyn** and runner **Donna (Balezantis) Michasiw**.



Corrina Kennedy

● Canadian Olympians who are alumni of Holy Cross and are in the Saskatoon Sports Hall are **Corrina Kennedy** in sprint kayaking, **Catriona Le May Doan** in speed skating, and **James Rozon** in gymnastics.

● **Dave Hardy** coached basketball and football at Holy Cross. He is in the Hall of Fame as head coach of the Saskatoon Hilltops, who were Canadian champions in 1991. Holy Cross alumni in the Hall with the Hilltops include assistant coach **Guy Fuller**, assistant coach **Kim Pasloski**, halfbacks **Dave Hickie** and **Boyd Plaxton**, offensive linemen

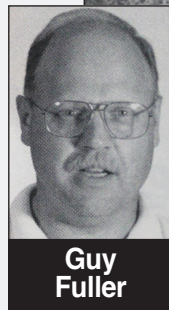
Shaun Geisel, Al Gibb, Jeff Lovegrove, Kirk Lovegrove, Bryan Monar and John Suiz, defensive backs **Paul Leier, Ted Miazga, Don Ostertag and Kelly Wist**, linebackers **Dale Solie and Ron Zerr Jr.**, receivers **Mark Leier, Jarett Little and Chris Wandzura**, tight end **Ken Hodson**, running backs **Jay Beherns, Kirby Frey and Jason Stratychuk**, defensive lineman **Scott Hundseth** and quarterback **Sheldon Ball**. Holy Cross alumni in the Hall with the University of Saskatchewan Huskies football team include running back **Tony Chad**, defensive linemen **Rob Dutton** and **Scott Hundseth**, receivers **Dan Farthing, Cory Flaman, Carey Prokop** and **James Rakochy**, quarterback **Jon Farthing**, linebackers **Luc Oleniuk** and **Kim Pasloski**, receiver-kicker **David Murza** and defensive back **Mark Loopkey**.

● **Gail (Oliver) Tennant** and **Gisele (Rongve) Kreuger** are in the Hall of Fame as student-athletes with the University of Saskatchewan women's volleyball team. Both graduated from Holy Cross. Kreuger coached the Crusaders to the high school girls provincial volleyball title in 1988.

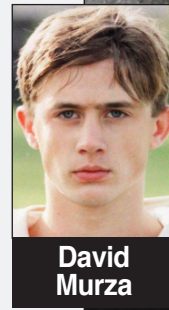
● **Jacque Lavallee** of the Crusaders became an All-Canadian in basketball and soccer with the University of Saskatchewan Huskies.



Donna Michasiw



Guy Fuller



David Murza



Gail Tennant



—Photo by Jeff Vinnick/StarPhoenix archives

Catriona Le May (left) and Vanessa Monar of Holy Cross finish 1-2 in the junior girls 200 metres at the provincial high school track and field championships in Regina in 1985. Both Le May and Monar went on to international competition, Le May as a speed skater in four Olympics and Monar as a long jumper at the Pan-Am Games, Commonwealth Games and Universiade

77 teams in Hall

By sport

Baseball	2
Basketball	2
Bowling	7
Cross-country running	1
Curling	23
Football	14
Hockey	3
Softball	14
Track and field	5
Volleyball	6

By gender

Female	28	Ardice Walter, 1978
Male	45	Harmony Centre softball
Mixed	4	

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- Bob Reindl, new to board
- Ron Walsh, new to board
- Ron Woodley

Members at large

- Gerry Heskett
- Walter Mudge
- Mark Tennant
- Bob Florence

Leaving board: Bill Seymour, Heather Kuttai, Ralph Schoenfeld, Phyllis Wilson

Making news

Stefanie Lawton's rink from the Saskatoon Granite Club has qualified for the Olympic trials.

Lawton, lead Marliese Kasner, second Sherri Singler and third Sherry Anderson are headed to Winnipeg, Dec. 1-8 for Tim Hortons Roar of the Rings.

The event will decide Canada's reps in women's and men's curling for the 2014 Olympics in Sochi, Russia. The Games are Feb. 7-23.



—Photo by Gord Waldner SP Archives
Sherri Singler

Picture this

You are a coach. Any sport. What athlete in Saskatoon's sports history do you want on your club?

"Dorothy Schwager Jantzen. Enthusiastic; game changer, national team motivated; proven winner."

— Arlene Schmalz

Hall inductee, U of S Huskies women's volleyball team

"Marshall Toner. I know how good an athlete he was; how tough and determined he is."

— Jay Kost

Hall inductee
Harmony Centre softball team

"Dan Farthing. He is such an outstanding athlete. When he made a catch in high school football, he was running before his feet hit the ground. He was a leader in a lot of ways; one of those athletes who make the other players on the team better."

— Ron Walsh

Hall inductee
official in track and field, football

"Brian Skrudland, because he is a great leader with an infectious personality and he has an undeniable will that never gives up."

— Marshall Toner

Hall inductee, football

"Jacque Lavallee. Work ethic. Passion. I know what a good person she is and how she believes in everything she does."

— Nicole Poier

Bedford Road math teacher, basketball coach



—JEUX DU CANADA—
—GAMES—

Canada Summer Games

2013 Games in Sherbrooke, Que., Aug. 2-17

Some of the inductees in the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame who have been to the Canada Summer Games, listing their sport in the Games and their connection to the Hall

Athlete/coach

1969 Halifax, Dartmouth, N.S.

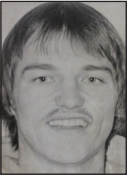
- Diane Jones
- Blaine Knoll
- John Konihowski
- Martha Nelson



Konihowski

1973 Burnaby, New Westminster, B.C.

- Grant Gudmundson



Reindl

1977 St. John's, N.F.

- Cedric Gillott
- Gary Goplen
- Bill Jenkins
- Sheryl Kleckner
- Irene Kokotailo
- Caren Rathie
- Bob Reindl
- Barb Shockey
- Dovona West



Smith

1981 Thunder Bay, Ont.

- Louis Christ
- Cyprian Enweani
- Tracy Kelly
- Carey Nelson
- Don Smith
- Gwen Wall
- Janice Zunti



Kroll

1985 Saint John, N.B.

- Frank Enns
- Cal Hobbs
- Lisa Kroll
- Brad O'Keefe
- Don Smith
- Clara Wall



Thoen

1989 Saskatoon, Sask.

- Vince Ashmeade
- Jim Baba
- Shannon Kekula
- Vanessa Monar
- Jacki Nichol
- Nick Patola
- Bobbi Thoen



Cook

1993 Kamloops, B.C.

- Jim Baba
- Cedric Gillott
- Catriona Le May
- Randy Munch

1997 Brandon, Man.

- Janet Cook
- Riley Janes

Canada Games, sport

- track and field, gold, pentathlon.....track & field athlete
- softball, ninth.....Merchants softball team, sports builder
- track & field, bronze, triple jump.....track & field, football athlete
- swimming, silver.....swimming athlete

Hall of Fame inductee

- lacrosse.....U of S men's volleyball team, women's volleyball team assistant coach
- soccer coach, ninth.....soccer builder
- track & field, 6th 2,000m steeplechase, 7th 5,000.....speed skating athlete
- tennis, eighth.....tennis athlete
- kayaking, ninth, women's K-2.....Harmony Centre softball team
- softball, fourth.....multiple sports athlete
- track and field, bronze, 400 metres.....track & field athlete
- track & field, gold, 800 metres; bronze, 1,500.....track & field athlete
- swimming, fifth, 800 metres.....swimming athlete
- field hockey, 10th.....U of S women's volleyball team
- track & field, bronze, 1,500 metres.....track & field athlete
- track & field, fourth, 200 metres.....track & field athlete
- track & field, eighth 1,500 metres, ninth 3,000.....track & field, cross-country athlete
- track & field, bronze, 3,000-metre steeplechase.....track & field athlete
- sailing, 10th, three-man Lightning boat.....U of S women's volleyball team coach
- track & field, silver, 400-metre hurdles.....U of S team, track & field athlete
- track & field, fifth, 800 metres.....U of S track & field team
- men's volleyball coach, gold.....volleyball builder
- track & field, bronze, discus.....U of S football team
- track & field, 400 metres, gold.....U of S team, track & field athlete
- lacrosse, eighth.....U of S football team
- sailing coach, 10th.....U of S women's volleyball team coach
- track & field, bronze, 400-metre hurdles.....U of S track & field team
- wrestling, gold, wrestling team; silver, 100 kg.....Hilltops football team
- baseball coach, silver.....baseball builder
- track & field, gold, shot put; silver, discus.....U of S team, track & field athlete
- track & field, silver, long jump.....track & field athlete
- basketball, ninth.....softball athlete
- basketball coach, silver.....basketball builder
- track & field, silver, high jump.....track & field athlete
- baseball coach, sixth.....baseball builder
- soccer coach, 10th.....soccer builder
- track & field, heptathlon, eighth, 100-m hurdles, eighth.....speed skating athlete
- baseball coach, sixth.....baseball builder
- swimming, silver, 50- and 100-metre free.....swimming athlete
- swimming, gold 100-metre backstroke.....swimming athlete

Coming attractions

2013

● Canadian Interuniversity Sport men's hockey
March 14-17, Credit Union Centre

● Canadian cadet age 15-16 and juvenile 17-18 wrestling
April 4-7, Field House

● Memorial Cup
Canadian Hockey League championship
May 16-26, Credit Union Centre



● Saskatchewan Roughriders training camp
June, University of Saskatchewan

● Softball Canada Under-21 International Cup for men
July 9-14, Bob Van Impe Stadium, Gordie Howe diamond

● CFL Grey Cup
Nov. 24, Mosaic Stadium in Regina

2014

● Canadian Interuniversity Sport men's hockey
March 20-23, Credit Union Centre



● Canadian summer nationals in swimming
July 17-20, Shaw Centre

● Baseball Canada Cup, 17-and-under all-stars
Aug. 6-11, Cairns Field, Lealos Field

● Co-op under-18 Canadian female softball championship
Aug. 4-10, Bob Van Impe Stadium, Glenn Reeve fields