



April 2020

**2021 Inductees**- Seven new members to the Minto Sports Wall of Fame have been selected out of an impressive group of applicants. We encourage you to come out and welcome our newest member to the wall on May 8, 2021. We are proud to announce the following inductees:

- <u>Brian Maston</u>- Builder- Brian was team manager in both Hockey and Softball and was a major contributor to championships in Ladies softball, Men's Softball and his beloved MMHS Tigers hockey.
- <u>Rugby Nine-</u> A group of seven players and dedicated coach from MMHS went on to represent New Brunswick at the U 19 Championships in Montreal and the National Junior Championships in Regina, Edmonton and Fredericton and bring championship pride to Minto in the 70's. Wayne Tomilson, Calvin Nash, Dale Nash, Robbie Graves, Henry Daigle, Walter Shirley, Kendell Gaddess, Kevin Gaddess and Eric Robichaud were a force to be watched.
- <u>Rachel Glenn</u>-Athlete- Turned her passion for water skiing in two gold medals and a silver medal at the New Brunswick summer Games and proudly represented New Brunswick and Minto at the Canada Summer Games.

- <u>Calvin Nash</u>- Athlete-Used his ability and intensity for rugby to garner accolades at the Provincial, National and international levels of the sport.
- <u>51-54 MMHS Tigers Sports</u>- A group of talented young men turned a small school into a powerhouse in three major sports during their time at MMHS. The Tigers teams in Basketball, Soccer and Hockey dominated these three sports like no other period in High School sport. They won 7 Provincial Championships, and were silver medalist 3 more times out of a possible 12 titles.
- <u>U 19 Ringette</u>- Brought a Provincial Championship and pride to our community after only a few seasons of this sport in Minto.
- *Father Joe Leblanc- Honorary* A dedicated athlete in multiple sports along with a stint with the Flying Fathers.

Please come out and join us as we celebrate their accomplishments and stories.

# The ceremony is delayed until May 8, 2021 due to the medical situation currently in Canada. Please keep safe until then.

**Did You hear the one About...** Back in the day before cell phones, text, or other instant communications Mr. Deap needed to find his star player Joey Knight, which wasn't always easy. His last call was made to Brian Maston, the team manager, who Bob knew Brian could help. Brian answered the call and Bob asked if Brian Knew Joey's number and Brian replied "hold on", dropped the phone and began searching through the house. After a couple of minutes he returned, out of breath, and said "27", to which Bob hung up.

## Minto Sports Wall of Fame Adds New Board member

<u>**Rita Sivitilli**</u> Has joined the BOD of the Minto Sports Wall of Fame. Rita brings vast coaching experience from the Minor Sports and Teaching community. The Board

believes Rita's knowledge of the youth of the Minto area will bring a wealth of new applicants to light for future inductions. Please join with us and welcome Rita to the Minto Sports Wall executive.

### **<u>Past Glory</u>** – Remembering Ridgeview Greens.

The Minto Summer Festival tournament in 1978 was one of the largest events of the Golf Season and players came from all parts of the province. Local star Tim Chase was 14 at the time and showed one of the best swings ever to play at Ridgeview Greens. Tim carded a 33 front and 39 back to capture the championship which was highlighted by an eagle on the par 4 #6. Many of the more experienced players which included notables such as Pro Andy Mabie, Vic McMann, and Paul Rollins had to be impressed. Tim has won many titles since then but probably none so rewarding. After 40 years of playing Tim continues to display one of the best swings around, and although the Ridge Course is gone it is always nice to remember and reflect on these past glories.



#### Holy Rosary Lanes host Men's Bowling Tournament - The

second annual Men's Open Championship was held in February with 6 teams competing for the honor of being the 2020 champions. After a round robin qualifying round the team of Danny Boucher, Andy Molnar, Jerry Richard, John Dicarlo, and the best anchor man in the area and beyond Cory Leburque captured the event. Congratulations on your victory.

#### **Minor Hockey Tournaments**

GL Minor Hockey recently hosted their two major Annual Tournaments. The Paul Rollins Memorial and the TRACC Tournament. The competition was held in four divisions with 17 visiting teams participating in all four divisions. Grand Lake Wild were victorious in all four. The Atom, Pee Wee, Bantam and Midget divisions. Congratulations on your success.



Anna Rollins dropping the first puck for the Paul Rollins Memorial event.

The Champion Bantam team and The Mayor dropping the First puck in the Atom event.



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