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Also, please join us in remembering the teammates we lost over the past year, including:

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In addition, our long-time friend and Sacred Heart historian, Barney Colgan.

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Annual Senior (High School) All-Star Doubleheader
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Fourteenth Annual Legends Golf Tournament
Friday July 12, 2019 § 10:30 AM Shotgun Start
Stonebridge Golf Club, Goffstown, NH



Announcement of Team to be recognized next year



Our Story- The New Hampshire Legends of Hockey

It began in the spring of 2001 with a meeting of the minds – three of them to be exact: Jeff Eisenberg, president of the Manchester Monarchs AHL franchise; Dick Boucher, a former Berlin Maroons player and later business manager of the Manchester Blackhawks; and Francoise Elise, then executive director of the Franco American Center in Manchester.

The three shared a love for hockey and they discussed the rich history and tradition of the game in New Hampshire. All agreed there should be a statewide hockey Hall of Fame that would honor the men and women who have made outstanding contributions by their participation as players, coaches, officials, owners, or worked in any other administrative capacity, plus as builders and media representatives.

The three also felt there should be an annual salute to one of the hockey teams that either once played or still plays in New Hampshire. The honored team's history would be celebrated, and the final salute would be made by the Manchester Monarchs, whose players, for one home game, would wear the jerseys of the team being honored by the Hall of Fame. The jerseys, after the game, then would be auctioned to benefit the Organization.

Other ideas at that first meeting were discussed and soon afterwards an effort was made to begin the writing of the sport's history in the state. It was discovered quickly that the history is vast and began November 17, 1883, when on the lower pond at St. Paul's School in Concord, the first organized game in the United States was played by St. Paul's students.

Twenty years later, in 1903, a youngster named Hobey Baker arrived at St. Paul's School from Pennsylvania and by 1909, when he graduated, he had written his own historical chapter, not only in the state but internationally, too. Baker was an outstanding skater and fashioned a reputation for high sportsmanship.

History shows that four communities – Berlin, Concord, Manchester and Nashua– were central to the early development of the sport in the state. In the 1910s, amateur hockey began in Berlin with the organization of mill teams. Additionally, numerous other communities had teams for short periods of time.

The Brown Paper Company, back between 1910 and 1920, guided the destiny of Berlin's many hockey players. D.B. Brown, of Dartmouth fame and also an owner of Brown Company, helped form a Mill League. All of the games were played on the outdoor rink directly in front of the old baseball grandstand behind home plate at the city ballpark.

In 1920, Father Lauziere formed the "Canadiens." His team, among others, played against Maine's top teams from Lewiston and Waterville. In 1923, the Berlin Athletic Association (BAA) was formed and until 1928 was a major hockey force. From 1928 until the middle of 1930s, the Berlin Hockey Club was a power and in 1928 many games were played at the Boston Arena as part of New England competition. In 1937, the Berlin Maroons were formed and shortly thereafter were a dominant team, winning New England AAU championships in 1941, 1949 and 1951. The Maroons also played throughout North America and won the National AHA championships in 1954, 1967 and 1968, and continued to play competitively until the early 1990s.

In Concord, the hockey history began circa 1927 with the Concord Hockey Club (CHC) which played at the John Higgins rink on the site of the old Highway Hotel off Bridge Street. In 1939, the White Park team won the New Hampshire AAU championship and was runner-up in the 1939 New England AAU championships. Among the early teams, Sacred Heart Catholic parish and the Millville Bruins were two of



the most prominent. Sacred Heart began play at the rink on Pleasant Street in January of 1932. In fact, in their last year, the United States Olympic team played Sacred Heart on January 9, 1952 in Concord. The Bruins played at Kimball Pond in Hopkinton, and in Concord at both Memorial Field and on Horseshoe Pond.

The teams that later followed were the Concord Shamrocks (1962-1966), the Coachmen (1966-1968), the Eastern Olympics(1967-1973) who played in the New England Hockey League and the Can-Am. Finally, the Budmen started in the fall of 1975 and competed for twelve seasons in the New England Hockey League and later independently.

In Manchester, St. Jean (de Baptiste) Maple Leafs started things off in the late 1930s and played at the Kelly Street church grounds through the early 1960s. Beginning in 1958, the Manchester Beavers played on the Dorrs Pond Rink for five seasons. The Tam-O-Shanters and Alpine Club each started in 1962 and played outdoors for a couple seasons then when the JFK Coliseum opened for the winter of 1964 they moved into their new home. In the fall of 1966, the Blackhawks were formed and competed independently and then played in the New England Hockey League through the spring of 1970. The Monarchs then came into existence and played four seasons in the Can-Am League. At the end of the 1973-1974 season, everything ceased. The Manchester Blackhawks came back in the late 1970's for a second go-round and competed against the Budmen and the Maroons among others, in New England Hockey League. The last organized men's team to compete out of Manchester was the Busch Blues. That team came on the scene in the fall of 1986 and competed for five seasons.

In Nashua, the Club National team began play in 1923 and continued for more than a decade. Two of the many Club National players, Ted Stackhouse and Art Lesieur both played in the NHL. In 1948-49 the Nashua Royals were formed and continued playing through the 1966-67 season. On March 24, 1952 they won a NE Class B Amateur Championship over the Rye Seahawks in Lynn MA. Their last five years they played in the Granite State Hockey League playing in the last three championships and winning the best of five series over the Manchester Tams on March 22, 1966. The very next season, the Maple Leafs took over and competed in the New England Hockey league for four additional years.

Today, the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey remains a self-governing, 501 (C)(3) non-profit organization incorporated with the State of New Hampshire. Our directors each year work to raise money to preserve the donated archives, including historical literature, records, photos, film, clothing, equipment, trophies, etc. Many of those artifacts are on display or available for viewing on our on-line museum. We continue to search for artifacts and film from the old days. Anyone wishing to donate either is encouraged to do so.

From that first meeting of three enthusiastic hockey buffs, the New Hampshire Hockey Hall of Fame was born and the inaugural class of twelve inductees was recognized and enshrined February 17, 2002 at the Puritan Backroom in Manchester. That evening, the Manchester Monarchs, in their AHL game, recognized the Manchester Blackhawks and wore replica uniforms from of the 1960s.

In the fall of 2003, the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey was formed and a new Board of Directors was elected and the Association's new name officially adopted.

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New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Hall of Fame

Class of 2018

Anthony "Tony" Urban • Brian Foster • Don McKinnon
Brendan Creagh • Bob Gaudet • Rich Ryerson

Class of 2017

Howell P. Campbell • Maurice Couture • Jim Griffin • Wayne Pecknold • George Thurston
Roger Letourneau • Clarence T. Lessard

Class of 2016

Rand Pecknold • Richard R. Roy, MD • Jeff Giuliano • John Dodds • Gary Bishop

Class of 2015

Russ Bartlett • James D. Houston • Ron DeGregorio Paul Colgan
Ryan Weston • Taylor Chace • CJ Ficek

Class of 2014

Bruce Parker • Rick Middleton • Bill Dennehy • Steve Sherriffs,
Bruce J. Crowder • Mark S. Evans • Steve Murphy

Class of 2013

Dick Bradley • Beatrice "Bea" Lambert • Ted Rice
Harvey L. Smith • Mark Stuckey

Class of 2012

Dick Dodds • Peter Maher • Jim Rivers • Julie Sasner
Jim Tufts • Kathleen Twomey • Dicky Valliere

Class of 2011

Karl "Red" Adams • Dana Barbin • Ryan Brandt
Leonard "Red" Brochu • Sanford "Sandy" Sistare • Dunc Walsh

Class of 2010

Lee Blossom • Ken Cail • Jeff Eisenberg • Walter Fournier • Norman "Fat" Pinette
Dick Theriault • Daniel K. Stuckey, II • Jacque Rodrigue • Eric Royal
Matt Robbins • Seaver Peters • Ingersoll "Ingy" Arnold

Class of 2009

Jon Leonard • Bob Norton • Andre "Pref" Prefontaine • Jeff Serowik
Wally Tafe Jr • Paul "Pop" Whalen • Dick Umile

Class of 2008

George C. Akerstrom • Bill Antonucci • Steve Arndt • Tricia Dunn-Luoma
Malcolm Kenneth Gordon • Gerry Grassie • George S. Naum • Ron Peters

Class of 2007

Katie King • John J. "Tarzan" Healy • John M. Normand • Bud Luckern
Bruce Gillies, Jr. • Rene Cy LeClerc • Dennis "Red" Gendron
Russell F. "Russ" Martin • Normand A. "Kangaroo" Hebert

Class of 2006

Hobey Baker • Bill Matthews • Richard Ryerson
Merrill Fay • Leo Gould • Ralph Labnon • Roland Lavigne
Clarence H. Littell III • Brian Stone

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Manchester Monarchs



ECHL

2018-19 Home Schedule*

Date		Opp. Team	Time
October			
Fri	10/19	vs. Newfoundland	07:00 PM
Sat	10/20	vs. Reading	06:00 PM
Fri	10/26	vs. Worcester	07:00 PM
Sat	10/27	vs. Maine	06:00 PM
Wed	10/31	vs. Brampton	07:00 PM
November			
Fri	11/02	vs. Newfoundland	07:00 PM
Sat	11/03	vs. Reading	06:00 PM
Wed	11/14	vs. Adirondack	10:00 AM
Fri	11/16	vs. Orlando	07:00 PM
Fri	11/30	vs. Adirondack	07:00 PM
December			
Sat	12/01	vs. Maine	06:00 PM
Fri	12/21	vs. Reading	07:00 PM
Sat	12/22	vs. Maine	06:00 PM
Mon	12/31	vs. Maine	06:00 PM
January 2019			
Sat	1/05	vs. Reading	06:00 PM
Sun	1/06	vs. Norfolk	03:00 PM
Fri	1/11	vs. Reading	07:00 PM
Sat	1/26	vs. Maine	06:00 PM
Sun	1/27	vs. Worcester	03:00 PM
Wed	1/30	vs. Adirondack	07:00 PM
February			
Fri	2/01	vs. Maine	07:00 PM
Fri	2/08	vs. Wheeling	07:00 PM
Sat	2/09	vs. Cincinnati	06:00 PM
Sun	2/10	vs. Greenville	03:00 PM
Wed	2/20	vs. Worcester	07:00 PM
Fri	2/22	vs. Reading	07:00 PM
Sat	2/23	vs. Maine	06:00 PM
Wed	2/27	vs. Worcester	07:00 PM
March			
Fri	3/01	vs. Adirondack	07:00 PM
Sat	3/02	vs. Adirondack	06:00 PM
Sun	3/10	vs. Norfolk	03:00 PM
Fri	3/15	vs. Worcester	07:00 PM
Wed	3/20	vs. Newfoundland	07:00 PM
Sat	3/23	vs. Worcester	06:00 PM
April			
Fri	4/05	vs. Newfoundland	07:00 PM
Sat	4/06	vs. Maine	06:00 PM

* Please refer to Monarchs website for changes in any game times.



Manchester Regional Youth Hockey Association



Manchester PeeWees - Pre-1973

For more than 50 years, the Manchester Regional Youth Hockey Association (MRYHA) has given boys and girls of all ages and abilities the opportunity to play, enjoy and compete in the sport of hockey.

In 1964, the Manchester NH Junior Hockey League was created with a mission of “teaching young boys between the ages of 6 and 13 inclusive the principles of good sportsmanship and of effective participation in the sport of hockey; (as well) to make young boys aware of and proficient in hockey and to build their character and physical fitness through winter sports.”



Brian Stone and Kyle McDonough

In 1973, the Board of Directors, under the presidency of Louis Farley, changed the corporation name to Manchester Regional Youth Hockey Association (MRYHA) with a stated goal of “providing effective opportunities for area youth, regardless of race, color or sex, to compete at all levels of youth hockey.”

For a time, MRYHA was one of the largest youth hockey programs in the country and, although it no longer holds this distinction, it still remains the largest and one of the oldest programs in the state of New Hampshire.

In its early days, the organization served as a feeder program for the local high schools and was mostly made of house league teams. Manchester would catch up to and compete with the programs that fed the high school teams at Berlin Concord and Hanover who dominated high school hockey for a long period of time.

Times have changed since then; however, MRYHA has stuck to its core. The program provides opportunities for any child who wants to play the game of hockey with programs ranging from “learn to skate” to the Flames travel programs, whose top-level teams compete at the Tier 1 level of USA Hockey.

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Banquet Program

Co-Masters of Ceremonies

Ken Cail & Chris Garrett

Invocation

Reverend Marcel Martel

Welcome

John Normand – President

Address by

State Sen. Lou D'Allesandro

Letter from the Governor, Governor's Citations and State of New Hampshire Resolutions

The Honorable Mayor of Concord Jim Bouley

Recognition of Honored Team

John Normand – President

Manchester Regional Youth Hockey Association

Ken Roberge and Hubie McDonough

Lunch

Supporters Drive

John Normand

Hall of Fame Members in Attendance

Ken Cail & Chris Garrett

Dessert

Keynote Speaker

Dick Umile

Announcement of 2019-2020 Team

John Normand – President

2018 New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Inductees

Anthony "Tony" Urban • Brian Foster • Don McKinnon

Brendan Creagh • Bob Gaudet • Rich Ryerson

Closing

Ken Cail & Chris Garrett

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Photographs on Stage

2018 Inductees

All Hall of Fame Members

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MRYHA players, alumnae coaches and B of D

Representatives of 2019-20 Honored Team



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Date	Location	Inducted	Team Honored
Mar. 23, 2003	Wayfarer Inn	10	Berlin Maroons
Mar. 20, 2004	Wayfarer Inn	9	Concord Budmen
Mar. 6, 2005	Wayfarer Inn	7	UNH
Mar. 26, 2006	Executive Court Conference Ctr.	9	St. Paul's School
Apr. 1, 2007	Event Center at C.R. Sparks	9	Dartmouth College
Mar. 2, 2008	Event Center at C.R. Sparks	8	Phillips Exeter Academy
Oct. 18, 2009	Event Center at C.R. Sparks	9	Notre Dame High School
Dec. 5, 2010	Radisson Hotel	12	Manchester Monarchs
Oct. 30, 2011	Grappone Conference Ctr.	6	Sacred Heart
Oct. 28, 2012	Grappone Conference Ctr.	7	Berlin High School
Oct. 27, 2013	Grappone Conference Ctr.	5	Concord High School
Oct. 26, 2014	Grappone Conference Ctr.	7	Hanover High School
Oct. 25, 2015	Grappone Conference Ctr.	7	Nashua Royals
Oct. 23, 2016	Grappone Conference Ctr.	5	Saint Anselm College
Oct. 22, 2017	Grappone Conference Ctr.	7	New England College

2018: Today, on October 21 at the Grappone Conference Ctr. in Concord 6 individuals are being enshrined and the Legends are recognizing the Manchester Regional Youth Hockey Association's history.

Yes, hockey is as strong as ever in New Hampshire. Beginning with youth hockey and up through high school and prep school, both boys and girls programs abound. Additionally, junior programs are strong. At the college and university levels, UNH and Dartmouth lead the way, along with New England College, Saint Anselm, Southern NH, Plymouth State University, Franklin Pierce and Daniel Webster.



"Hall of Fame" continued from page 4

Class of 2005

Bernard Arguin • Dick Boucher • Alphonse Corriveau
 Carl Langlais • Ken McKinnon • Richard Roy
 Elmo Theriault

Class of 2003

Al Brodeur • Ray Champagne • Jacques LeClerc
 Roger LeClerc • Kyle McDonough • Jock McKenzie
 Omer Morin • Frank Roy • Bob Tardif • Leo Vaillancourt

Class of 2004

Willie Bibeau • George Crowe • Ron Dubreuil
 Hubie McDonough, Jr. • Tara Mounsey • Dick Osborne
 Normand Poirier • Andre St. Laurent • Roland Villeneuve

Class of 2002

Al Adams • Pierre Belanger • Rod Blackburn
 Msgr. Bousquet • Kent Carlson • Doug Everett
 Charlie Holt • Eddie Jeremiah • Barney LaRoche
 Msgr. Lauziere • Hubie McDonough III • Don Williamson

Teams recognized by the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey

2002 Manchester Blackhawks • 2003 Berlin Maroons • 2004 Concord Budmen
 2005 UNH Wildcats • 2006 St. Paul's School • 2007 Dartmouth College
 2008 Phillips Exeter Academy • 2009 Notre Dame High School
 2010 The Original Manchester Monarchs • 2011 Sacred Heart • 2012 Berlin High School
 2013 Concord High School • 2014 Hanover High School • 2015 Nashua Royals
 2016 Saint Anselm College • 2017 New England College • 2018 Manchester Regional Youth Hockey Association

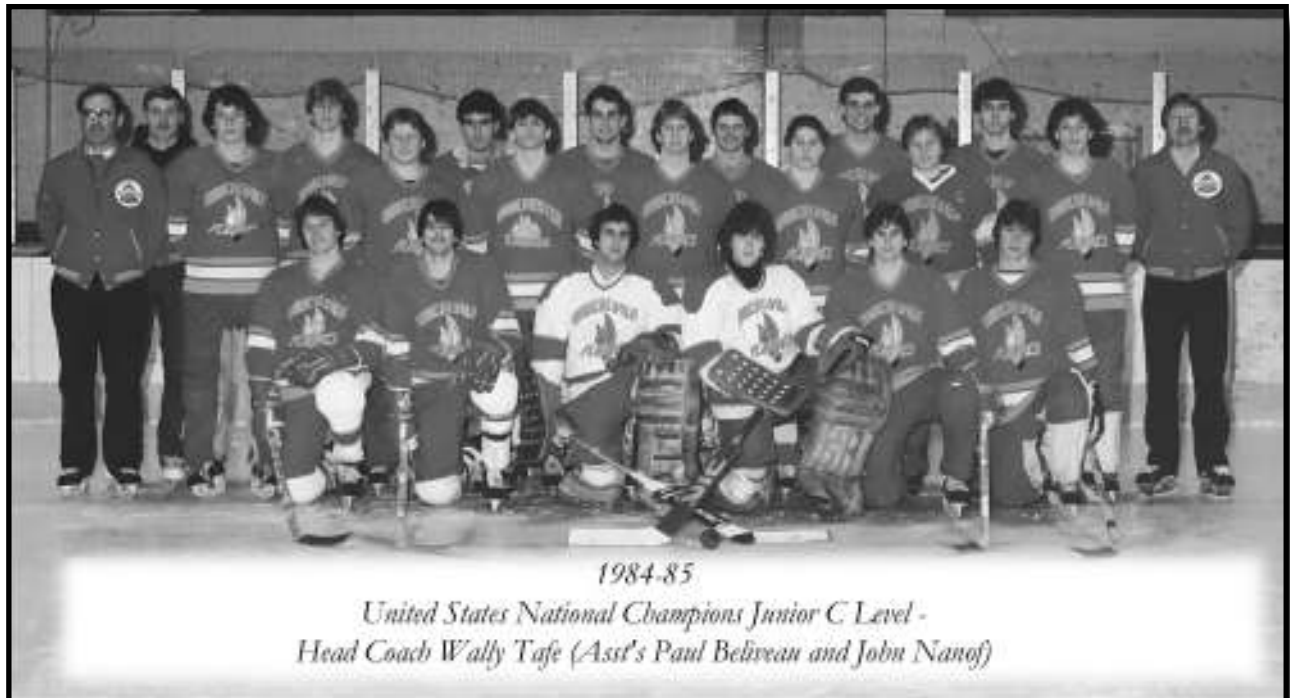


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Recently, MRYHA was the first organization in state selected by the Boston Bruins to participate in the “Little Bruins Program.” This program allows children ages 4-9 the opportunity to participate in the game of hockey.

Back in 1982, MRYHA hosted the National Midget Tournament, which ran from April 2-4. Competing teams hailed from New York, Philadelphia, Illinois, Alaska, Michigan, Massachusetts and Manchester.

In 1990, Manchester was selected to host another national tournament for the Bantam Division. Teams from Detroit, New Jersey, Chicago, New York, Alaska, Rhode Island, Cape Cod and Manchester competed. These tournaments included future NHL stars Pat LaFontaine and Ed Olczyk.



Over the years, the Manchester Flames/MRYHA organization has competed in several national championships, and winning Junior C national championships in 1985 and '86.

MRYHA has also produced many talented players who went on to have successful careers in both the collegiate and professional levels. A few of these players include Rand Pecknold, Jeff Serowik, Hubie McDonough, Kyle McDonough, Jeff Giuliano, Tim Schaller and Zach Sanford.

The Manchester Regional Youth Hockey Association is proud of its non-profit status and is run through the tireless dedication of volunteers. These volunteers range from a Board of Directors consisting of 14 members as well as more than a hundred coaches, managers and on-ice assistants.

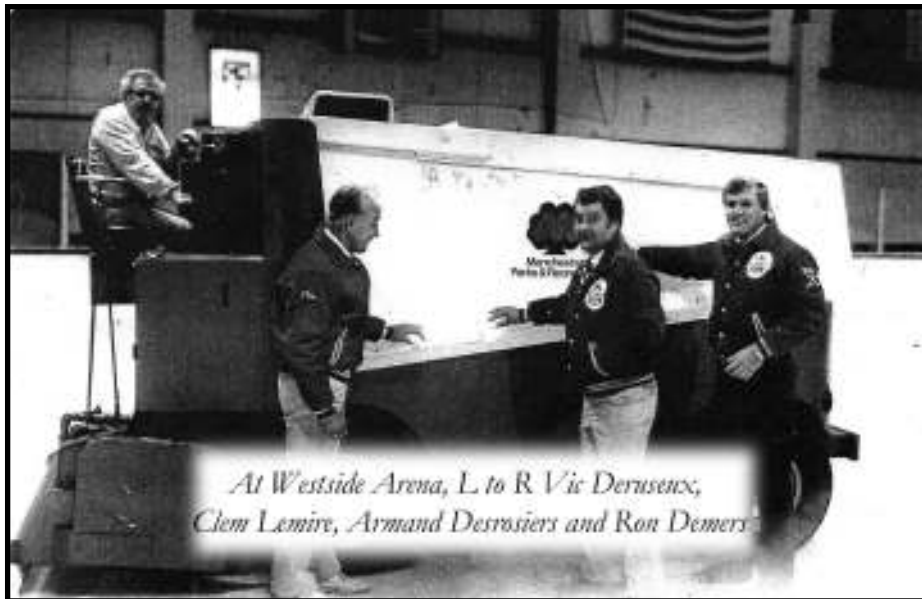




*L. to R: Armand Desrosiers, Bob Shaw (Major) Clem Lemire,
Dick Savell, Ron Ludwig*

The current (2018) Board of Directors includes Mike Bayer/president, Mike Desmond/VP of operations, Steve Bellemore/VP, Jen Cassidy/treasurer, Jen Gupta/registrar, Michael Durant/secretary, Scot O'Neil/coaching director, Scott Dunn/ director of strategic planning, Dan Boyce/divisional director, Jon Nassoura/equipment director, Jason Bergeron/director of fundraising, Jason Sharp/scheduler and Mike Connell/director of recreation.

Past presidents include Ed Gerber 1974-75, Walter Mularczk 1975-76, Ron Roy 1977-78, Paul Roberge 1978-80, Arnie McDonald 12980-1981, Ray Houle 1981-82, Armand Desrosiers 1982-84, Al Legro 1984-1985, Lou Gagne 1984-86, Bob Richardson 1987-89, George Winslow 1989-93, Dave Kocina 1994-96, Jim Hallene 1996-98, Paul Dickie 1998-2000, Ed Roberge 2000-01, Dan Bouchard 2001-03, Roland Martin, 2003-06, Paul Roy 2006-08, Jeff Seifert 2008-10, Randy Caron 2010-12, Steve Tempesta 2012-14, Michael Durant 2014-17 and Mike Desmond 2017-18.



*At Westside Arena, L to R Vic Derusenc,
Clem Lemire, Armand Desrosiers and Ron Demers*



ANTHONY (TONY) URBAN

Born July 26, 1936 • Berlin, NH • Deceased December 29, 2016

BUILDER

The late Tony Urban was a football coach, a basketball coach, a teacher, athletic director, a school administrator, a state administrator, a basketball referee and an umpire. He was a “go-to” figure in the North Country but also led and impacted organizations statewide.

Urban graduated from Plymouth State College and later attended graduate programs throughout the country. He also had a great love for hockey. Basketball was the “family business” but he chose to play hockey for Berlin High School for two years.

Urban knew how important the sport was to his hometown. His career would include 36 years as chairman of the NHIAA Hockey Committee. He served on the National High School Hockey Federation for Hockey Rules Committee from 1977-88. As part of this committee in 1977 he helped author the first consolidated High School Ice Hockey rules book to standardize national rules and benchmarks for high school play.

From 1968-94, he served as assistant principal at Berlin Junior-Senior High School, where he helped design and construct the “new” high school, which still stands today. He served as principal of Berlin Junior-High School and Berlin Middle School, and served on New England-wide school accreditation committees.

In “retirement,” he led efforts to restore the city’s athletic fields from disrepair and acted as clerk of the works. He promoted the BioMass project in Berlin after the mills closed, and served as a Police Commissioner and State Racing and Gaming Commissioner.

Urban served on many NHIAA committees, and spent one school year (1975-76) as president of the NHIAA. He was also a member of the IAABO (basketball officials) since 1963 and served as its president in 1977-1978. He was a member of the NH Baseball Umpires Association since 1961 (serving as its president from 1979-81). He was a member of the NH Women’s Basketball Officials Organization from 1984-2005 (serving as its president from 1984-85). He was inducted into the NHIAA Hall of Fame in 2008.

Urban was a founding member of the predecessor group to the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey. When Berlin’s Notre Dame Arena fell on hard times, again, he helped to set up fundraising opportunities.

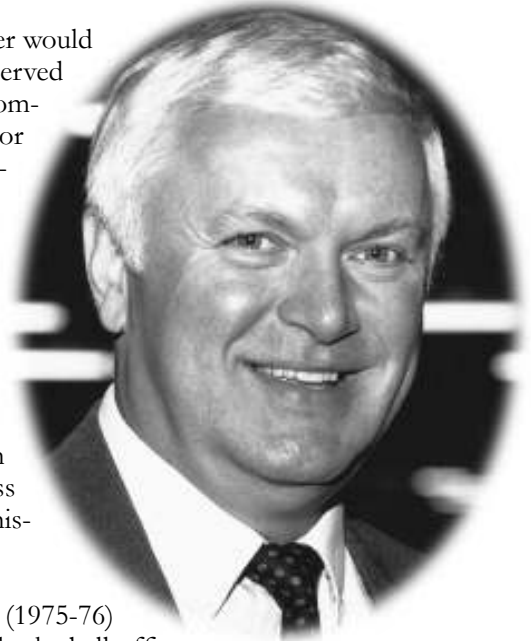
He was instrumental in moving the NHIAA hockey championship games from the “big ice” of Whittemore Arena at UNH to the SNHU Arena in Manchester. He also arranged for sponsorships for these costs. Today, the cost is still zero.

He also helped the NHIAA sanctioning of women’s ice hockey as interest expanded in the sport for young women and also oversaw the divisional segregation of the high school hockey programs to allow equitable, safe play for all participants.

He passed away on Dec. 29, 2016 after a battle with a rare cancer.

Please welcome to the Class of 2018, the late Anthony “Tony” Urban as a member of the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Hall of Fame.

Accepting for Tony Urban is his daughter,
Pamela Urban Morin.



BRIAN FOSTER

Born February 4, 1987 • Concord, NH

PLAYER

After starring at the University of New Hampshire, Foster played six years of pro hockey, including a one-game stint in the NHL with the Florida Panthers, and became the 11th goaltender in pro hockey history to get credit for scoring a goal.

Foster grew up in Pembroke, and played youth hockey with the Concord Capitals and junior with the New Hampshire Jr. Monarchs, backstopping that team to the EJHL championship in 2004-05.

At UNH, which he attended on a full scholarship after playing one season in the USHL, Foster assumed the starting role as a junior in 2008-09 and posted a record of 19-11-4 despite struggling with an ankle injury.

He was strong down the stretch and finished with a 2.68 GAA and a .910 save percentage in 35 games. He stopped 40 shots in a wild, 6-5 overtime win over North Dakota in the NCAA tournament, regarded as one of the most exciting games in UNH history, before the Wildcats fell a day later to Boston University, 2-1, and saw their season end one win short of the Frozen Four.



The next year, he was one of just four seniors on team that captured the Hockey East regular-season championship. He finished with an overall record of 17-14-7 and recorded a GAA of 2.98 and a .908 save percentage, getting named a second-team All-America.

The following season, 2010-11, Foster began what would be a six-year professional career, splitting his campaign between Bossier-Shreveport in the Central Hockey League and the ECHL's Cincinnati Cyclones, where he started down the stretch, posting a 2.78 GAA and .918 save percentage in 19 games.

In 2011-12, Foster made his NHL debut with the Panthers on his 25th birthday, playing five minutes in relief of Scott Clemmensen against the Tampa Bay Lightning and stopping the one shot he faced.

In 2012-13, while playing for Cincinnati, he became the 11th pro goaltender to be credited a goal during a game between the Cyclones and the Trenton Titans.

After playing 45 games the next season for the ECHL's Stockton Thunder, he signed to play with Lillehammer-IK in the Norwegian League, finishing with a 2.94 GAA and .904 save percentage in 43 games.

The next season, his final as a pro player, he returned to the States and split time between two Pittsburgh Penguins affiliates -- the ECHL's Wheeling Nailers and AHL's Wilkes-Barre/Scranton Penguins. He led Wheeling to a deep playoff run, posting a 3.02 GAA and .902 save percentage in 16 games as the Nailers reached the Kelly Cup finals.

Foster currently works as a goaltending instructor for GDS and is the goaltending coach at the University of New Hampshire.

Please welcome to the Class of 2018, Brian Foster as a member of the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Hall of Fame.



DON McKINNON

Born May 5, 1929 • Toronto, ON

OFFICIAL

A New Hampshire resident since 1960, when he moved to Durham to assist his wife's father in the millwork business, Don McKinnon became one of our state's most accomplished on-ice officials calling five NHIAA state championship games, hundreds of college games, and many games in the Granite State Hockey League and New England Hockey League.

An Ontario native, he began refereeing in the Toronto Hockey League doing youth games, and eventually worked his way up to the Ontario Hockey League, where he worked Junior B games.

In New Hampshire, he refereed games at all levels of hockey. His first NHIAA championship game was between Hanover and Berlin in 1966, the last year the championship game was held in Berlin before it moved to Snively Arena at UNH, where McKinnon refereed four more state championships.

Over the years, he worked many college games, particularly at Bowdoin and Colby College, which were relatively close by. His normal college schedule with the ECAC would be 10-14 games per season, with a few of those at the Division 1 level. It was estimated he worked more than 200 ECAC games in his career.

When the Granite State Hockey League was formed in 1962 with six teams, the need for good officials was there, and McKinnon got involved, along with men like John "Tarzan" Healy, Dutch Morse, Dan Crowley, Arthur Mudge, Ernie Fredette, George Healy and John Carter. He refereed more than 75 GSHL games, including playoffs.

In addition, when he could fit into his schedule, McKinnon refereed about 12 games per season in the New England Hockey League from 1969 through the 1973-74 season. Friends remember a game between the Manchester Blackhawks and Concord Eastern Olympics, where due to a crease violation McKinnon disallowed a Blackhawks goal and the Olympics held on to win, 2-1. McKinnon and one of his linesman (Legends Hall of Famer Red Brochu) needed a police escort to exit the JFK Coliseum in Manchester.

McKinnon spent 25 years as a member of the National Ice Hockey Officials Association, the first two (1962-64) with the Northern New England chapter before New Hampshire broke off and formed its own chapter. He was a member of the New Hampshire chapter for 23 years (1964-87).

From 1970-73 he served as the representative of the New Hampshire chapter at the NIHOA National Meeting. He served as president of the New Hampshire chapter from 1971-73.

Please welcome to the Class of 2018, Don McKinnon as a member of the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Hall of Fame.



BRENDAN CREAGH

Born February 2, 1970 • Hartford, CT

PLAYER

Brendan Creagh grew up in the Upper Valley, graduated from Hanover High School as the program's all-time top-scoring defenseman, and later played four seasons at the University of Vermont and four seasons professionally.

Born in Connecticut, Creagh grew up in Hanover and played youth hockey in the area. He was a member of N.H. All-Stars each of his years from 13 until he aged out at 18, one year getting invited first to the New England selection camp and then the national camp. He made the U.S. Select 16 team in 1986, playing in an international tournament in Chicago.



At Hanover High School, he was named Rookie of the Year as a sophomore after leading the Marauders in scoring (16 goals, 23 assists for 39 points) and a 14-7 record. As a junior, he scored 15-21-36 and was presented with the Charles Williams Award.

As a senior in the 1987-88 season, he put up 23 goals, 29 assists and 52 points, most on the team, as Hanover went 13-8-1. He was named team MVP and earned the Eddie Jeremiah award, and graduated Hanover as its all-time leading scorer among defensemen (54-73-127).

“He was an offensive threat every time he had the puck on his stick,” said his coach, Dick Dodds (Legends Hall of Fame Class of 2012). “I had the privilege of coaching Brendan for three years and he was a coach’s dream. He didn’t miss a workout (on or off the ice) in that time and he worked every day to make himself a better hockey player.

“He was a true warrior on the ice at practice. He treated every drill like it was the seventh game of the Stanley Cup final.”

Following a postgraduate year at Phillips Academy Andover, Creagh played four seasons at Vermont, getting elected an assistant captain during his senior season in 1992-93. He finished his career in Burlington, Vt., with 16 goals, 36 assists and 52 points.

After his sophomore year, when the Catamounts went 17-14-2, he was drafted by the Los Angeles Kings in the 1991 NHL Supplemental Draft. He also helped Vermont post a winning record his junior year, when it went 16-12-3 in 1991-92.

Creagh spent most of his professional career in the ECHL, playing two seasons for Greensboro (scoring 24 goals and 47 points) and two-plus years for Birmingham (16-49-65). He also played one game with Cornwall in the AHL.

He now teaches in the science department at Deerfield Academy following a long stint as that school’s hockey coach.

Please welcome to the Class of 2018, Brendan Creagh as a member of the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Hall of Fame.



BOB GAUDET

Born March 19, 1959 • Saugus, MA

COACH

Entering his 22nd year as head coach at Dartmouth College, his alma mater, this fall, Gaudet is poised to become the all-time winningest coach in school history. His 305 wins at Dartmouth trail only Eddie Jeremiah (308), and he's made the Big Green one of the most consistent teams in ECAC Hockey and the Ivy League during his tenure.

Gaudet is only the second coach to have won the ECAC Coach of the Year award at two separate programs (1994-95 at Brown, 2005-06 at Dartmouth), and he led the Big Green to the ECAC Hockey title in 2006 and the Ivy League title a year later.

In three decades as a college head coach, he has worked with and developed several players who have gone on to play in the NHL, including Ben Lovejoy of Canaan, who was a Stanley Cup champion with the Penguins. Several other former student-athletes also played in other professional leagues recently, including the KHL, AHL, ECHL and CHL.

Gaudet's head coaching career began at age 29 during the 1988-89 season at Brown, when the team went 1-25. But consistent improvement was on the horizon, including three straight winning seasons between 1992 and '95, two Ivy League championships in 1991 and '95, and an NCAA tournament appearance in 1993.

After nine seasons at Brown (overall record of 93-142-31), Gaudet moved on to Dartmouth, a tenure that is entering its 22nd year. He was named ECAC Hockey Coach of the Year in 2005-06 after guiding the team to its first ECAC Hockey title and a 19-12-2 record.

In the last several seasons, Gaudet has reached several key milestones, earning his 200th win behind the Big Green bench in 2010-11, eclipsing the 300-career win mark in the first game of 2011-12, and reaching 800 career games coached, doing so in a 1-1 tie at Vermont in 2013-14. In 2014-15, Gaudet reached both 250 wins at Dartmouth and 350 career wins.

Entering the 2018-19 campaign, Gaudet has coached 953 games at the Division I level, a figure that ranks among the top 15 all-time in college hockey history. He ranks second all-time at Dartmouth with 305 wins, trailing only Big Green legend Eddie Jeremiah, who racked up 308 victories in 26 seasons with the program.

A native of Saugus, Mass., Gaudet starred for Dartmouth in the late 1970s. In 1979 and 1980, he led the team to Ivy League titles and appearances in the NCAA Frozen Four. As a senior, he served as co-captain and was a recipient of the Philip D. McInnis Award for spirit, loyalty and dedication to Dartmouth ice hockey.

Gaudet was first-team All-Ivy in 1978-79 and 1979-80, and was a two-time recipient of the Canterbury Society Award for the best Ivy League goalie. In 76 career games, he made a school-record 2,129 saves, while allowing 299 goals for a 4.00 career goals-against average and an .877 save percentage.

Please welcome Bob Gaudet to the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Hall of Fame, where he is being inducted as a coach.



RICH RYERSON

Born January 11, 1958 • Concord, NH

PLAYER

Rich Ryerson stood out at St. Paul's School before moving on to Dartmouth College and helping the Big Green reach the Frozen Four in back-to-back seasons.

Growing up in Concord, Ryerson left his mark at St. Paul's, competing on the varsity team for four seasons. For his last three seasons, his coach was Legends of Hockey Hall of Famer (Class of 2006) Bill Matthews, who took over the program in the 1973-74 season and called Ryerson one of the finest players he ever coached.

"Rich had a burning desire to win and (was) always unselfish," said Matthews. "He helped, along with several other Concord-area players, to get St. Paul's hockey back to a place of respect in New England hockey. I'm honestly surprised he had anything left in the tank for college hockey, as I had him on the ice all the time – 6-on-6, man down, power play:"

After a freshman season that saw St. Paul's go 11-2, Ryerson helped the team finish second in the Northern Division as a sophomore. In his junior year, he scored 38 points and the team reached the Southern Division championship game, losing to Thayer, 5-2.

As a senior, he served as co-captain and received the Gordon Medal at the end of the year for being the school's best all-around athlete.



After that it was on to Dartmouth, where he would end up skating in 111 games, including at least 25 in each of his four seasons.

He burst onto the college scene by scoring 11 goals and adding seven assists as a freshman. In his sophomore year, he added another eight goals to his total and finished with 10 points.

In his junior and senior seasons, he was a key part of some superb teams that featured fellow Class of 2018 Legends Hall of Famer Bob Gaudet in goal. Ryerson, who primarily skated on the wing, was known as a player who could be relied upon to perform in all situations.

As a junior, he was part of a Dartmouth team that reached the Frozen Four in Detroit, where it lost to North Dakota, 4-2, at the Olympia Stadium. Ryerson assisted on a goal in a 7-3 win over UNH in the third-place game. The next year, in the ECAC Hockey semifinal game against Clarkson in the old Boston Garden, he scored two goals to propel Dartmouth to a win and a trip to the championship against Cornell. The Big Green also returned to the Frozen Four in Providence, R.I., where they fell to North Dakota again, 4-1. Ryerson's last college point was an assist in the third-place game against Cornell.

He finished his Dartmouth career with 29 goals and 26 assists for 55 points. He is currently the associate director of admissions at Kimball Union Academy.

Please welcome to the Class of 2018, Rich Ryerson as a member of the New Hampshire Legends of Hockey Hall of Fame.



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