



# Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame

## Newsletter - February 2018

### 6<sup>th</sup> FINA World Jr. Swimming Championships – 2017 Indianapolis (USA)- Swimming

August 2017: a number of Ontario swimmers performed very well at the 6<sup>th</sup> FINA World Jr. Swimming Championships in Indianapolis (USA) August 23-30, 2017.

Daryle Martin was an International Technical Official on-deck at this competition, and provided comments about her experience with the Canadian athletes and their performances at this FINA World Jr. Swimming Championships:

“Representing Canada as a swim official at the World Juniors in Indianapolis was an incredible honour. To have a front row seat to see our Junior team perform at this international event was very emotional. Each and every one of them performed with confidence and represented themselves and Canada well. The Canadian anthem was heard 7 times during the week. The women’s 4x200m Free relay set a World Junior record on day 1, so the Canadian anthem opened the meet and it was the final anthem heard as the women’s 4x100 relay won gold again. I can hardly wait to see what this amazing group of swimmers will do in Tokyo in 2020!”



Day 1 (August 23) – Gold medal in Women’s 4x200 Free Relay – Kayla Sanchez, Taylor Ruck, Rebecca Smith, Penny Oleksiak (Mabel Zavaros prelims.) 7:51.47 = World Jr. Record

### Ontario Swimmers on World Team

#### 2017 FINA World Jr. Championships Team:

- Ruslan Gaziev (MAC)
- Gabe Mastromatteo (KSS)
- Victoria Kwan (MAC)
- Penny Oleksiak (TSC)
- Katja Pavicevic (TSC)
- Taylor Ruck (SCAR-HPCO)
- Kayla Sanchez (AAC-HPCO)
- Rebecca Smith (SCAR-HPCO)
- Mabel Zavaros (OAK)
- Rosie Zavaros (OAK)

Kayla Sanchez on Day 4 (August 26) Silver medal in Women’s 200 IM.



Photographs used courtesy of Swimming Canada (2017)

*Medal performances by Ontario Swimmers for Canada at 2017 Jr. Worlds*

*Day 1:*

GOLD - 4x200 Free Relay - Kayla Sanchez, Penny Oleksiak, Rebecca Smith, Taylor Ruck, (Mabel Zavaros prelims) - 7:51.47 - World Junior Record!

*Day 2:*

GOLD - 4x100 Mixed Medley Relay - Taylor Ruck, Gabe Mastromatteo, Penny Oleksiak, Ruslan Gaziev, (Mabel Zavaros, Jade Hannah prelims) - 3:43.36

*Day 3:*

GOLD - 4x100 Mixed Free Relay - Ruslan Gaziev, Alexander Pratt, Taylor Ruck, Penny Oleksiak -3:26.65

*Day 4:*

SILVER - 200 IM - Kayla Sanchez - 2:12.64

*Day 5:*

GOLD - 4x100 Free Relay - Taylor Ruck, Penny Oleksiak, Rebecca Smith, Kayla Sanchez (Faith Knelson prelims) - 3:36.19

*Day 6:*

GOLD - 200 Free - Taylor Ruck - 1:57.10 - National 15-17 Age Group Record

GOLD - 4x100 Medley Relay - Jade Hannah, Faith Knelson, Penny Oleksiak, Taylor Ruck (Kayla Sanchez prelims) - 3:58.38



*Day 3 (August 25)  
near Left – Gold medal in  
Mixed 4x100 Free Relay –  
Taylor Ruck, Penny  
Oleksiak, Alexander Pratt,  
Gabe Mastromatteo*

*Day 2 (August 24) above Left – Gold medal in Mixed 4x100 Medley Relay – Taylor Ruck, Penny Oleksiak, Ruslan Gaziev, Gabe Mastromatteo (Mabel Zavaros and Jade Hannah prelims.)*



*Day 6 (August 28) immediately above – Gold medal in Women’s 4x100 Medley Relay – Jade Hannah, Penny Oleksiak, Faith Knelson, Taylor Ruck (Kayla Sanchez prelims.)*

# Invictus Games – Swimming – (3<sup>rd</sup>) 2017 Toronto

Rick Hannah, President of the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame, provides comments on the Invictus Games held at the Toronto Pan Am Sports Centre (TPASC) pool facility for the Swimming events:

"For many, the Games lived up to all expectations and possibly exceeded some. To be sure they seemed a worthy successor to both the London 2014 and Orlando 2016 editions.

Athletes from about 20 nations around the world gathered September 28 & 29 at TPASC for the swimming component of the Games. Eric Martin and Carole Binsky were pivotal to a well officiated competition.

From one perspective, the two most poignant elements were participating to achieve and the almost indescribable spirit among athletes and indeed, all in attendance.

For the first, a veritable Who's Who from many walks of life served as medal presenters and a suitable finale to the athletes' achievements. None more appreciated than Prince Harry himself.

To capture the second element is more elusive. If there remains any relevance to the shop worn cliché, "You had to be there," this would be the occasion.

It was a truly memorable experience for all in attendance."



*Invictus Games*

*Photo to the Left:  
Denise Marie Hepburn  
receiving her notice that she  
had won a medal.*

*She said "I was completely  
shocked and sooo happy!"*



*Photograph used courtesy of Eric Martin and Swim Ontario (2017).*



## Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame Inductees for 2017

### September 2017 - Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame Inductions:

Inductions were held at the 2017 Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame (OAHO)F) celebration and banquet on Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> in Toronto at the Airport Marriott Hotel.

Swimmer **Adam Purdy** was formally admitted to the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame. Builder and Official, **Irene MacLeay** was also formally inducted into the Hall of Fame.



*(above) Irene MacLeay and Adam Purdy following induction into Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame*

### 2017 Inductees

[Adam Purdy](#)

Swimmer

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dni9FWr78il>

[Irene MacLeay](#)

Builder

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=biFIKdxwP4c>



*(above) Irene MacLeay and Adam Purdy, along with Members of the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame as Swimmers (from left to right): Jane Wright, Lisa Flood, Stephen Clarke, Vicki Keith (Photographs courtesy of Eric Martin and Swim Ontario – 2017)*



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## Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame Inductees

**2017 Adam Purdy** – Swimmer **Irene MacLeay** – Builder

### 2016

Stephanie Dixon - Swimmer  
Jennifer Fratesi - Swimmer  
Gordon Kerr – Pioneer Swimmer

### 2015

Keith Beavers - Swimmer  
Mike Brown - Swimmer  
Herb DeBray – Builder

### 2014

25th Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame  
Celebration – No new inductees

### 2013

Danielle Campo - Swimmer  
Ken Fitzpatrick - Swimmer  
Ruth Kerr - Pioneer Swimmer

### 2012

Jen Button - Swimmer  
Owen von Richter - Swimmer  
Liz Warden – Swimmer

### 2011

Karin Helmstaedt - Swimmer  
Marian Sweetnam – Builder

### 2010

Laura Nicholls - Swimmer  
Dave Heinbuch - Swimmer/Builder  
Sid & Marni Tatham - Diving

### 2009

Eddie Parenti - Swimmer  
Julie Howard – Swimmer  
Robert Braknis – Swimmer

### 2008

Mojca Cater - Swimmer  
Elisabeth Walker - Swimmer  
Jane Wright - Swimmer

### 2007

Peter Ward - Swimmer  
Cheryl McArton-Ward - Swimmer  
Jill Horstead - Swimmer

### 2006

Joanne Malar - Swimmer  
Jim Shaw - Swimmer  
Lea Bredschneider - Builder  
(Swimming)

### 2005

William Kennedy - Swimmer  
Tom Pinckard - Builder (Swimming)

### 2004

Gerry Thomas - Builder (Swimming)  
John Jaremey - Swimmer  
David Shemilt - Swimmer  
Sam Di Pietro - Builder (Water Polo)  
Gaye Stratten - Builder (Swimming)

### 2003

Fred Rams - Bob Secord Award  
Kathy Bald - Swimmer  
Stephen Clarke - Swimmer  
Carlos Costa – Swimmer  
Lori Melien - Swimmer  
Robert Campbell – Builder  
(Swimming)

**2002**

James Hood - Builder (Swimming)  
Kathy Richardson-Dingley - Swimmer  
Patty Thompson-Bogumil - Swimmer  
Tom Watson - Builder (Water Polo)

**2001**

Ben Gazel - Pioneer Swimmer  
Cindy Ounpuu-Yelle - Swimmer  
Jocelyn Muir-Saunders - Swimmer  
Paul Pottier - Athlete Water Polo  
Gary Anderson - Swimmer

**2000**

George Duthie - Bob Secord Award  
George Burleigh - Pioneer Swimmer  
Paul Meronen - Builder (Swimming)  
Virginia Grant-Ridpath - Swimmer  
David McClintock - Athlete Water Polo  
Lisa Flood - Swimmer  
Blair Hicken - Swimmer

**1999**

Dr. Paul Hauch - Distinguished Service  
Larry Tapp - Distinguished Service  
Dave Stirrup - Distinguished Service  
Gerry Thomas - Distinguished Service  
Thomas Pinckard - Distinguished Service  
Rob Campbell - Distinguished Service  
Doris Ogilvie-Bodrug - Pioneer Diver  
Nancy Robertson-Brawley - Diver  
Winnie Roach-Leuszler - Swimmer  
Claus Bredschneider - Swimmer  
Nancy Sweetnam - Swimmer  
Roy Gunell - Athlete/Builder (Water Polo)  
Alex Cranfield Sinclair - Builder (Swimming)  
Margaret Hutton - Pioneer Swimmer

**1998**

Rosemary Dawson - Bob Secord Award  
Buck Dawson - Bob Secord Award  
Matt Mann II - Bob Secord Award  
Heather Gifford-Seaman - Athlete/Builder (Water Polo)  
Janice Gilbey - Athlete Builder (Water Polo)  
Sean Murphy - Swimmer  
Joann Baker-Anderson - Swimmer  
Allison Higson - Swimmer

**1997**

Fred Rams - Founder  
Alexander Duff - Pioneer Builder (Swimming)  
George Gross Jr. - Athlete/Builder (Water Polo)  
Reema Abdo - Swimmer  
Philip Mindorff - Swimmer  
Marcel Gery - Swimmer

**1996**

George Young - Pioneer Swimmer  
Beverley Boys - Diver  
Jennifer Campbell - Swimmer  
Sandy Goss - Swimmer  
Tom Hainey - Swimmer  
Jane Kerr - Swimmer  
Larry Tapp - Builder (Swimming)  
David Hart - Athlete/Builder (Water Polo)

**1995**

Barry Nye - Bob Secord Award  
Harry Class - Pioneer Diver  
Louise Kennedy - Swimmer  
Stephane Lecours - Swimmer  
Michelle Macpherson - Swimmer  
Mike West - Swimmer  
Cressy McCatty - Builder (Swimming)  
John Richardson - Builder (Swimming)  
Robert Thompson - Athlete/Builder (Water Polo)

**1994**

Alf Phillips - Pioneer Diver  
 Betty Edwards - Pioneer Swimmer  
 William Puddy - Pioneer Swimmer  
 Sara Barber - Swimmer  
 Marilyn Corson - Swimmer  
 Clifford Barry - Builder (Swimming)

**1993**

Irene Pirie - Pioneer Swimmer  
 Bob Pirie - Pioneer Swimmer  
 Dr. Jenó Tihanyi - Builder (Swimming)  
 Dan Thompson - Swimmer  
 Cindy Nicholas - Swimmer  
 Cliff Lumsdon - Swimmer  
 Vicki Keith - Swimmer  
 Marilyn Bell - Swimmer

**1992**

Angela Coughlan - Swimmer  
 Carol Klimpel - Swimmer  
 George Larson - Pioneer Swimmer  
 Gus Ryder - Pioneer Builder

**1991**

Bill Sawchuk - Swimmer  
 Byron MacDonald - Swimmer  
 Harry Class - Pioneer Builder  
 Tommy Walker - Pioneer Builder  
 Nick Thierry - Builder (Swimming)

**1990**

Alex Baumann - Swimmer  
 Victor Davis - Swimmer  
 Anne Ottenbrite - Swimmer  
 Dr. Paul Hauch - Builder  
 (Swimming)  
 Jack McCormick - Pioneer Builder  
 Michael Nagy - Builder (Swimming)  
 Jimmy Thompson - Pioneer Builder



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Showcases: we are looking for additional memorabilia – any HOF member who would like to donate or lend memorabilia to display at the Etobicoke Olympium may contact Nicole Parent [nicole@swimontario.com](mailto:nicole@swimontario.com) or one of the board members (listed on website) to make arrangements.

Nominations: submitting nominations with a link to the form and criteria is on the website

**Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame website**

[www.swimontario.com/page.php?id=1648](http://www.swimontario.com/page.php?id=1648)