



# Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame

## Newsletter - October 2019

### Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame Inductees for 2019

Inductions were held at the 2019 Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame (OAHOF) celebration and banquet, along with the Swim ON Awards presentations for 2018-19 season, on Friday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at the Novotel Mississauga Centre Hotel.

- Water Polo Athlete - **Aaron Feltham** was formally inducted into the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame.
- Builder and Coach for Swimming - **Reg Chappell** was formally inducted into the Hall of Fame.



*Reg Chappell (left) and Aaron Feltham (right), after being “piped-in” to the Hall, and just prior to induction as Members of the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame*

*Induction Videos available to view on Swim Ontario website via Connections link to OAHOF webpage*

[Aquatic Hall of Fame](#)

<http://swimontario.com/page.php?id=1648>

*(Photographs courtesy of OAHOF – Reanna Corkum – 2019)*





*Reg Chappell during his acceptance speech at Induction into Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame, held at the Novotel Mississauga Centre Hotel on Friday, September 13, 2019*

*Among Reg's accomplishments:*

"... Reg has received many awards in recognition of his coaching accomplishments. The high-water mark may have been in 2012 when he was accorded: Ontario Coach of the Year – All Sports; Swimming Canada Para Swimming Coach of the Year; Ontario Swim Coaches Para Swimming Coach of the Year; Coaches Association Coaching Excellence Award; and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Jubilee Award."



*Aaron Feltham during his acceptance speech at induction into the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame as a Water Polo Athlete on Friday, September 13, 2019*

*Among Aaron's accomplishments:*

"Aaron played in the World League in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008 & 2010. Aaron helped Canada achieve an 11<sup>th</sup> place finish at the 2007 World Championships in Melbourne, Australia, the highest finish in Canadian history. The 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish at the Pan Am Games in Rio was another highlight."

"...for the first time ever, Canada emerged from the 2008 Olympic Qualification Tournament in Oradea, Romania, and qualified to participate in the Olympics that year in Beijing."



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# 2019 Pan Am Games- Canadian Women's Water Polo team

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Member of the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame, Jane Wright had provided some comments on the accomplishments of the Canadian Women's Water Polo Team, noted below...



“Congratulations to the Canadian Women's National Water Polo Team who recently punched a ticket to the Olympics for the first time since 2004. Their silver medal at the 2019 Pan American Games clinched the spot. The experienced squad is looking to reach the podium in Tokyo, and will be well



represented by Ontario athletes:

Emma Wright (Lindsay, ON), with Shadow Water Polo Club and Mavericks Water Polo Club

Claire Wright (Lindsay, ON), also with Shadow Water Polo Club and Mavericks Water Polo Club

Jessica Gaudreault (Ottawa, ON), with Ottawa Titans and Capital Wave Water Polo Club ”

*(Photographs courtesy Water Polo Canada – 2019)*

# 2019 World Aquatic Championships - Gwangju, South Korea

A number of Canadian swimmers had great performances and broke records at the 2019 FINA World Aquatic Championships, held July 12 – 28, 2019 in South Korea. Some swimming highlights below...

A night after anchoring Canada's women's 4×100-m freestyle relay to bronze, the 19-year-old from London, Ont., Maggie MacNeil followed it up with a stunning victory over Swedish legend Sarah Sjostrom in the women's 100-m butterfly final on Day 2 in Gwangju, South Korea. "I was very surprised. I couldn't believe it. I looked up and I'm like, 'Oh my God, I'm out of this world right now.'" MacNeil said.



Swimming Canada News:

<https://www.swimming.ca/en/news/>

**Ontario Swimmers on World Championships Team in Gwangju:**

**Maggie MacNeil** (100 fly gold, 4×100 free bronze, 4×100 medley bronze) from the London Aquatic Club

**Kylie Masse** (100 back gold, 200 back bronze, 4×100 medley bronze) University of Toronto/Toronto Swim Club

**Penny Oleksiak** (4×100 free bronze, 4×200 free bronze, 4×100 medley bronze) Toronto Swim Club / HPCO

**Taylor Ruck** (4×100 free bronze, 4×200 free bronze, 4×100 medley bronze) Scarborough Swim Club / HPCO



**Kayla Sanchez** (4×100 free bronze, 4×200 free bronze) Ajax Aquatic Club / HPCO

**Rebecca Smith** (4×100 free bronze, 4×200 free bronze, 4×100 medley) Scarborough Swim Club, UofT / HPCO

**Kierra Smith** (4×100 medley bronze) Scarborough Swim Club / HPCO

**Gabe Mastromatteo**, KSS, Kenora

**Joshua Liendo**, NYAC, Toronto

**Mack Darragh**, OAK, Oakville

*(Photographs and news courtesy of Swimming Canada – 2019)*



# 2019 World Para Swimming Championships – London, GB

Member of the Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame, Vicki Keith has provided some first-hand comments on the accomplishments of the Canadian Para Swimming Team at the World Para Swimming Championships, where Vicki was a coach on the Canadian Team.

“The 2019 World Para Swimming Championships took place in London, GB, September 9th - 15th. 4 Swim Ontario members were part of the team: Matthew Cabraja of COBRA, Zach Zona of NHAC/CHPQ, Abi Tripp of Kingston Y Penguins, and Ali Van Wyck-Smart of Variety Village Aquatic Club.

Ali Van Wyck-Smart ranked highest of the 4 athletes, winning a silver medal on day 3 in the S2 100 back and a bronze on day 5 in the S2 50 back, setting 2 Canadian records and one America's record. Swim Ontario athletes making finals included Abi Tripp in the 100 breast (5th), and Zach Zona in the 400 free (7th).”

Rookie Ali Van Wyck-Smart said “The past month has really been exciting and I can’t wait to see what comes next. It’s my first time on the national team and these championships have been a huge confidence boost.”

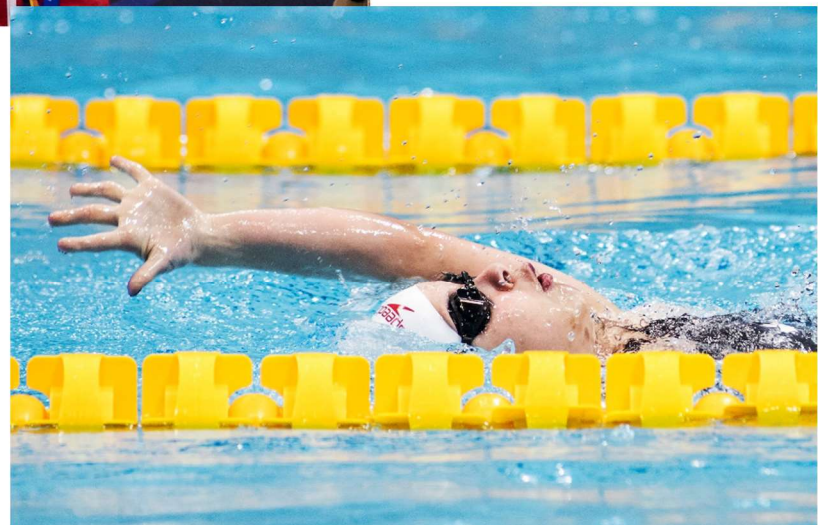
"I have learned so much from the season with many struggles among the celebrations. Every time I get to represent the Maple leaf is a gift." said Abi Tripp.



“On the final event of the final day, the 4x100 freestyle relay led by Abi Tripp (with Katarina Roxon, Aurelie Rivard, and Tess Routliffe) won bronze, beating out China, Australia, Russia and Spain in a time of 4:30.09, just missing the Canadian record of 4:29.40.”

Abi Tripp, Coached by Vicki Keith won Bronze – Women’s 4x100m Free Relay

Ali Van Wyck-Smart



*(Photographs courtesy of Swimming Canada – 2019)*



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**2019** **Reg Chappell** – Builder (Swimming) **Aaron Feltham** – Athlete (Water Polo)

**2018**

Jenna Lambert – Swimmer  
Dean Boles – Builder (Swimming)

**2017**

Adam Purdy – Swimmer  
Irene MacLeay – Builder (Swimming)

**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)

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### 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 Hailey – Swimmer  
Jane Kerr – Swimmer  
Larry Tapp – Builder (Swimming)  
David Hart – Athlete / Builder (Water Polo)

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### 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

### 1993

Irene Pirie – Pioneer Swimmer  
Bob Pirie – Pioneer Swimmer  
Dr. Jenő 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 Karen Wilson [karen@swimontario.com](mailto:karen@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 [Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame](http://Ontario Aquatic Hall of Fame)