

## Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame Inductee Dave Holloway Builder 1996



David (Dave) Holloway has played a tremendous role in the development of Youth Bowling in Mount Pearl. While there has been a Youth Bowling League in Mount Pearl for a brief period during the 1960s, the league ended with the closure of the bowling lanes in 1966. When Pearlgate Lanes opened in 1988 Dave saw an opportunity to re-develop public interest in the well rounded sport he loved. Dave established the Pearlgate Youth Bowling Council, managed volunteer recruitment and retention and in 1989 found that young individuals were enjoying their participation in bowling as representatives of Mount Pearl.

Dave has worked tirelessly over the years to ensure the successfulness of Youth Bowling. The league that started with a following of 100 young bowlers grew to three times that size in 1996. Throughout this tremendous

growth period, Dave served as Program Director. Indeed, Dave even volunteered his weekends throughout most of the year, for all of the years he served as Director (and more), to help oversee the program. Over and above these contributions, he spends numerous hours a week organizing tournaments, fundraising, and running coaching clinics. It seems Dave takes on whatever he can to ensure the healthy and stable growth of youth bowling.

Moreover, Dave has managed to find the time to earn a level II coaching certification from the N.C.C.P.

Dave's hard work has paid dividends to the league. Bowlers from Mount Pearl regularly take top honours in their region and individual bowlers or teams from Mount Pearl have gone on to bowl in National competitions (since 1990) where they have won several bronze and silver medals.

Not content to rest during the summer months, Dave has volunteered his time as a coach and referee with the Mount Pearl Soccer Association for over fifteen years. He was inducted into the Newfoundland and Labrador Bowling Hall of Fame in 1996 in recognition of his devotion to the sport.

The Mount Pearl Sports Alliance recognizes Dave Holloway's outstanding contributions with his induction to the Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame.