



Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame Inductee
Joe Wadden
Builder 2005



Joe Wadden's 45 years in the athletic community consist of a brilliant playing career in baseball and basketball and an equaled amount of outstanding volunteer administration. Joe, a major benefactor and an individual tremendously committed to youth involvement in sport, has a career that may be equaled but never surpassed.

Within Mount Pearl he was the first President of the Sports Alliance providing the excellent leadership that allowed the organization to be a permanent beneficent organization for the 15 separate sports organizations within the City. Joe's genuine concern for each and every sport and for each and every athlete played a major role in the development of the Alliance and the fundamental position it holds in Mount Pearl today.

Joe was the founding member of the Mount Pearl Senior Baseball League in 1994, drawing upon great expertise gathered from executive positions within St. John's and provincial baseball circles. He served as President from 1998 to 2001 and as Mount Pearl Minor president from 1994 to 2005. In addition, he coached Mount Pearl teams to provincial junior baseball titles in 1997 and 2000 and successfully filled coaching positions at all levels of Mount Pearl baseball from 1993 to 2005. His baseball service was such that he was named winner of the "Les Noseworthy Memorial Award" in 2003.

Joe was also an active contributor to basketball; he enjoyed great success as a player and transitioned to coaching in 1972. He continues his 33-year role with school teams, such as the senior girls squad at O'Donel High School. He has coached basketball with great success at every level of the game. Joe's athletic and building careers have been so successful that he was named a member of the Newfoundland and Labrador Basketball Hall of Fame, the Newfoundland and Labrador Baseball Hall of Fame, the Memorial University's Athletic Society and has been honored by school athletic organizations within and outside the province.

A great athlete, Joe is also a great community builder. The Mount Pearl Sport Alliance recognizes Joe Wadden's outstanding contributions with his induction to the Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame.
