

## Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame Inductee Neil Barnes Athlete 1996



From 1968 to 1973, Neil Barnes displayed his tremendous talent in the Mount Pearl Senior Baseball league. He was known as an exceptional pitcher and garnered the awards to prove it. In the five years that he played baseball, Neil managed to win the award for best pitcher three times; in 1969, 1970 and once more in 1972.

The baseball season of 1970 proved to be particularly rewarding for Neil; in addition to winning the award for best pitcher, he also won the Most Valuable Player trophy. He won MVP for the playoffs and, unsurprisingly, won the MVP award for overall best player in the league.

Needless to say that with his ability as a baseball player, Neil Barnes made the Mount Pearl All-Star team every year that he played. Neil also won a prestigious award for

pitching the first win for Mount Pearl in a Provincial competition, winning against St. John's with a final score of 7-0.

After his numerous successes in his baseball career, Neil then turned to hockey within which he demonstrated a tremendous talent for the game. He played in the Mount Pearl Senior Hockey league from 1973 until 1977 and won the "Best Defenseman" and "Most Sportsmanlike Player" awards in 1974. In addition to playing in the Mount Pearl league, Neil also played for the St. John's Capitals from 1974 to 1976.

Neil has proven his tremendous athleticism in Mount Pearl on continuous occasions, and his achievements are nothing short of extraordinary.

The Mount Pearl Sports Alliance recognizes Neil Barnes' outstanding athleticism with his induction to the Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame.