

## Administrator of the Year Tammy Wall – Stratford SC



Tammy Wall, from the Stratford SC, accepts the Administrator of the Year Award from Kirk McAleer - PEISA Treasurer.

Tammy Wall has been secretary of the Stratford Club for the past five years.

Extremely well organized, Tammy almost single-handedly recruited a new executive for the club in 2011, and she took a lead in many of the major decisions such as equipment purchases. She also recruited more than 40 coaches for the mini program, which she has run for the past four years.

Her coaches meetings were always well prepared and professional, and her players-first approach ensured a great soccer experience for Stratford's entire membership.

A past chair of the Stratford tournament, Tammy turned her attention to attracting sponsors in 2011, and her excellent management skills ensured the club ended with a year with a healthy surplus.

## Alan Godfrey Volunteer of the Year Bernie Dykerman – Central Queens Clippers SC



Bernie Dykerman accepts the Alan Godfrey Volunteer of the Year Award from Jennifer Moss(daughter of the late Alan Godfrey).

Bernie Dykerman has been a soccer volunteer at the Central Queens Clippers Soccer Club for over 15 years, and he is a shining example of the perfect parent coach.

Bernie always takes great pride in teaching the game to the boys in his charge, with fair play and sportsmanship the cornerstones of the game he coaches, while instilling both a love for the game and a desire to win in all of his players.

In 2011 Bernie coached the U-16 boys First Division team at Central Queens, and he was an enthusiastic leader. He only had 14 players – quite a challenge at U-16 BF- but none of them became discouraged from playing shorthanded, and many agreed that it was their most enjoyable season of soccer they had had.

Bernie takes the lead on keeping the club in top shape, and he oversaw the building of a grounds equipment shed, using help from the Bluefield High School Carpentry Class.

## Junior Referee of the Year Ellen Burnett – Charlottetown



Ellen Burnett accepts the Junior Referee of the Year Award from Justine Lewis - PEISA Referee Association Technical Director.

Since beginning to referee soccer, Ellen has shown great improvement in her skill level and confidence on the pitch, and in this, her third year, she stepped up her game and took on some high level assignments, including the U14 Atlantic Championships held here in Charlottetown.

As a credit to her abilities, she was assigned as the assistant referee for the U14 Girls Premier Championship game, as well as being involved with several semi-final and championship games in tournaments.

Ellen is always a pleasure to work with, is great at listening to advice from senior referees, and is constantly improving. She is a fine role model for other young referees who are just getting started.



## Senior Referee of the Year Award Cory Deagle – Montague



Cory Deagle accepts the Senior Referee of the Year Award from Katherine Morrow - PEISA Referee Association President.

Our second finalist, Corey Deagle, loves officiating, and he can be seen almost every night of the week refereeing whether it is a youth game or the most challenging game in the senior league.

He has progressed at a great rate in just a short while, so much so that for somebody so young he can handle the toughest games, including Holland College and most notably at the Eastern Masters, where he was in charge of games involving players almost 20 years older than he was.

Corey took the middle for most of the season's big games including the senior men's championship and the boys high school final, and he is on the radar of the CSA as a potential national official at some time in the future.

## Lowell Stewart Memorial Award Keira Coady – Central Queens Clippers SC



Keira Coady accepts the Lowell Stewart Memorial Award from Marg Stewart.

Small in stature but mighty in spirit, Keira Coady is the type of player that every coach would like to have on their team.

She was one of the most dedicated players on the Central Queens Under-16 team, always ready and eager to participate and she always gave 110% in games - no matter what. She is a pleasure to coach – always willing to learn and always attentive, respectful and an enthusiastic team player.

Keira's love of the sport has led her to become both referee and a coach in the Central Queens house-league, and as a coach at U-8 this year she did a great job. Watching her work with them was a joy, and several adult coaches could learn some things from Keira. The kids on her team think she is pretty special and not just because she is barely bigger than they are.

Keira is a leader in student activities and is involved with extra-curricular activities such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award, student council, and clubs such as the Bluefield Envirothon team. A top student, she received the East Wiltshire Jr. High Leadership award this spring due to her efforts in academics, athletics and student leadership.

## Coach of the Year Melis Visser – Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC



Melis Visser accepts the Coach of the Year from Bruce Norton - PEISA Technical Director.

Winsloe's Melis Visser is one of the most dedicated coaches in the province, and in 2011 he took charge of both the under-14 provincial team, and the gold medal winning under-14 Winsloe-Charlottetown boys.

With the provincial program he produced a competitive team that had good moments in the Atlantic tournament in Charlottetown, but it was with Winsloe that he enjoyed the most success in 2011.

Arguably the strongest team in a competitive age-group, the boys won the Eastern Eagles Tournament, and the provincial cup over Sherwood-Parkdale, earning a well-deserved trip to nationals.

Traditionally our under-14s have always struggled at the national competition, but Melis had his team well prepared and organized, forcing a tie and win over Alberta and Saskatchewan respectively, before two narrow defeats against powerhouses Ontario and BC saw them eventually finish in an excellent 7<sup>th</sup> place, one of PEI's highest ever finishes at this age group. The team conceded only 7 goals in its five games, one of the best ever performances by a youth team from PEI.



## Team of the Year Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC – U14 Boys



Gerald MacDonald – PEISA President presented the Team of the Year Award to Melis Visser(coach) and team members.

Front row (left to right): Liam Dorion, Spencer Compton, Alex O'Brien, Jonah Loveless, Zachary Visser, Niall Burnett, Alhaji Fofanah.

Back Row (left to right): Trudy Loveless (Manager), Christian Arsenault, Drew Gallant, Jarrod MacAdam, Keaton Farrell, Mark Smith, Jeremy Thompson, Melvin Sim-Turay, Mon San Aung, Melis Visser (Coach).

Under-14 teams from PEI have usually found it hard going at the national level, but there is real hope that the performance of the Winsloe-Charlottetown boys team has shown that we are now competitive at the younger age groups.

The Winsloe team were outstanding in 2011, deservedly winning the provincial title as the number one seed after 10 wins in the regular season, and they added the Eastern Eagles tournament for good measure.

At nationals they were a revelation, first of all tying eventual silver medallists Alberta 1-1, before an excellent 3-1 win over Saskatchewan.

There then followed a respectable 0-3 defeat against an Ontario team that had scored 31 goals in its previous two games and who would go on to win gold, before another narrow overtime loss against another superpower, BC, put them in the 7/8 play-off game.

They finished off the tournament by beating New Brunswick to finish 7<sup>th</sup>, and for good measure they took home the Fair Play award.

## Junior Female Player of the Year

Morgan Thorburn – Central Queens Clippers/Eliot River Ramblers U16G



Morgan Thorburn accepts the Junior Female Player of the Year Award from John O'Brien – PEISA Youth Director.

Morgan Thorburn of the Eliot River/Central Queen's U16s is considered by many to be the next bright star of Island soccer.

Morgan has become one of the strongest female soccer players on PEI and she has done it with a lot of hard work. She is a dominant player capable of playing any position equally well.

She had a fantastic tournament at the Under 16 All Star Atlantic Championship in June, leading the PEI team in goals scored, some of which would have made the highlight reel. She brings a mixture of speed and skill along with a great left footed strike to her game, and she is willing to battle and take on any defender.

Her performance at the Atlantic Championships earned an invitation to the Team Atlantic squad which attended the National All Stars in July, while with her club team she was the go-to player, most notably in the provincial final against West Prince when she scored in regulation and the shoot-out.

She enjoyed a good club nationals with goals in the consolation round, and she is a team leader on a very good Bluefield High School team.



## Junior Male Player of the Year James Mallard – Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC U18 Boys



James Mallard accepts the Junior Male Player of the Year Award from Terry Dennis – representing PEISA sponsor Subway.

A fine centre-back, James Mallard enjoyed good seasons for both the Winsloe-Charlottetown under-18s and the Acadia Axemen, where in his rookie season, he earned rave reviews. A top defender at whatever level he has played at, James helped Winsloe to a respectable 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the men's senior league, providing exemplary defense, passing and playmaking from the back line.

He helped the Royals win its 6<sup>th</sup> provincial championship, and although the national results were disappointing compared to past seasons, it was no reflection on James, who played every minute of all five games, and his outstanding versatility was shown in the final game against Saskatchewan when he was moved up to striker, scoring twice and laying on two more.

Senior Female Player of the Year  
Sara Stewart – Sherwood-Parkdale Rangers SC



Sara Stewart(left) accepts the award from Rachel Colwill – PEISA Senior Women's Director.

PEI has produced numerous players of outstanding attacking ability, but rarely has a defender made such an impression on Island women's soccer as Sara Stewart. Fast, composed and with a tackle like a hammer, Sara has been captain and Team leader of UPEI for a number of seasons and she is one of the reasons why the team is known for its excellent goals against record.

A leader by example, Sara has had many fine moments at UPEI, probably none more so than in this year's AUS semi-final when a rare headed goal saw her team past Cape Breton and into the final.

Once again an AUS all-star, Sara was also named CIS 2<sup>nd</sup> team all-Canadian.

## Senior Male Player of the Year Simon Hood



Simon Hood(left) accepts the award from Lewis Page – PEISA Head Coach.

Simon Hood was last year's junior male player of the year, and the fact he is a finalist in the senior category shows what an outstanding season he has had. A hard-tackling right full back for Island runner-sup Avema in the senior men's league, Simon enjoyed a fine season for Holland College, where he was team captain.

The Hurricanes were undefeated in League play, allowing just five goals all season, won an exciting Atlantic conference final, and then had a magnificent experience at nationals, where incredibly they fought their way to the final, just failing to win a the gold medal after a heartbreaking overtime loss.

A fine judo athlete who was at Canada Games, Simon was named 1<sup>st</sup> team Atlantic All-Conference, and was a finalist for the Bob Coe Award recognizing leadership, sportsmanship, and ability.