

PEISA 2013 AWARD WINNERS

Administrator of the Year



Tammy Wall, PEISA Secretary/Registrar, presents Anne Arsenault with the Administrator of the Year Award.(missing from photo is co-winner - Doug MacMurdo)

Anne Arsenault has been involved at the Central Queens Clippers SC since her daughter started at Under 6, 10 years ago, and she has devoted a lot of time to help the club succeed.

She is an outstanding registrar, and has been instrumental in the creation and operation of the RC United District Teams, a very involved process which has become a much smoother transition due to Anne's involvement.

Anne also stepped in for a time as club secretary and website manager, and was heavily involved in the Tournament Committee that attracted 84 teams. Always calm and positive with a keen attention to details, it is Anne's "above and beyond" approach that makes her stand out as such an outstanding administrator and volunteer.

Doug MacMurdo, Summerside United SC, is another long-time volunteer who has been club registrar since 2006, also taking on the duties of treasurer.

He helps with the strategic planning of the club, and is excellent at the public relations side, helping parents and patiently explaining the club operations.

Always willing to coach, Doug prepares tremendous continuity to a club that is one of the best and well-run in the province.

Alan Godfrey Volunteer of the Year



Kirk McAleer, PEISA Treasurer, presents Ruth Morris with the Alan Godfrey Volunteer of the Year award.

Ruth Morris of the Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC has been a volunteer for over 20 years, serving many capacities including equipment manager and last season running the canteen, where her own baking was one of the top sellers at the tournament!

Always dedicated, Ruth has been a constant in Charlottetown soccer longer than most, even though she does not have children playing the game. She is extremely organized and efficient, and is the sort of volunteer that every club needs to be successful.

Coach of the Year



Bruce Norton(left), PEISA Technical Director, presents Kris McKinnon with the Coach of the Year award.

Kris McKinnon is turning out to be an excellent coach. At the Stratford Soccer Club last year, he pulled together an U14 boys premier team in Stratford that was more than competitive despite the low numbers at the start of the year.

At the provincial level he coached the U13 Boys provincial team and was part of the Youth Player Development Program, while his first year coaching the Holland College Hurricanes was a tremendous success. Despite finishing 4th in regular season, the Hurricanes stunned everybody by winning the Atlantic title, and earning a place at the nationals in BC.

Junior Female Player of the Year



Irwin Dawson, representing Subway – PEISA Youth Soccer sponsor, present Kristin Hood with the Junior Female Player of the Year award.

Kristin Hood had a magnificent season in 2013. The speedy winger from the Sherwood-Parkdale Rangers SC was a key member of the Canada Games team that eventually finished 9th, but it was with the Holland College Hurricanes where she really stood out.

Kristin scored 12 goals in 12 games for the Hurricanes, winning 1st team ACAA honours, and helping the Canes take the Atlantic title, despite going into the week-end event as 4th seed.

Kristin also got on the score sheet at the national event, and has shown that she is one of the deadliest strikers on the Atlantic College Circuit.

Junior Male Player of the Year



David Vos(right), representing Soccerstop, presents Mark Smith with the Junior Male Player of the Year award.

Mark Smith was captain of the Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC Under 16 Boys Premier team. He is a strong and rugged defender who is also an excellent leader. An expert penalty taker who never misses, Mark has an ability to read the game rarely seen in young players and he is a wise head on young shoulders. He is also capable of scoring important goals from set pieces with his heading ability.

Mark was selected for Team Atlantic and never looked out of place amongst the best from around the country.

He is a true winner who never knows when he is beaten. He is tough in the challenge, and is a great team mate and example to other players.

Junior Referee of the Year



Jim Chandler, PEISA Director of Officials, presents Zachary Visser with the Junior Referee of the Year award.

Zachary Visser, who was also a finalist for this award last year, sets a great example on the field with his calm approach and decision making, and has all the attributes to become a top level referee in the province.

He always has a positive manner, is popular with players and coaches, and is another who uses the benefit of his own playing career to adopt a practical approach on the field.

Senior Referee of the Year



Jim Chadler(left), PEISA Director of Officials, presents Mark MacDonald with the Senior Referee of the Year award.

Mark MacDonald gives weight to the fact that good players make good referees, and in the last couple of years he has improved considerably, as his confidence has grown.

He is qualified and able to officiate at every level in the province, including assisting at the varsity levels, and he referees a large number of games every year. This past season he took charge of both the women's high school semis, and final matches.

Senior Female Player of the Year



Rachel Colwill(left), PEISA Senior Womens Director, presents Sarah Stanley with the Senior Female Player of the Year award.

Sarah Stanley had a fine season with the Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC, helping her team to the national championships, but it was at UPEI where Sarah really stood out. In one amazing week-end, Sarah scored three goals including game winners against Dalhousie and Saint Mary's, for which she was recognized with both AUS and CIS Athlete of the Week honours.

Helping her team to the play-offs, Sarah scored the winning goal in the quarter-finals against memorial, and she was deservedly recognized with AUS 2nd team all-star honours.

Senior Male Player of the Year



Mike Goeseels(right), PEISA Senior Mens Director, presents Cole MacMillan with the Senior Male Player of the Year award.

Cole MacMillan produced arguably some of the finest individual performances ever by a UPEI Panther this past season, propelling a team that struggled early to almost claiming a play-off place. Cole netted three game-winning goals in as many games against Moncton and then Memorial, including a hat-trick, which earned him AUS and CIS Athlete of the Week honours.

He finished the season with 7 goals, 2nd in the AUS, and was an AUS 1st team all-star.

In the regular season Cole showed his versatility in a more defensive role with PEI FC who enjoyed another fine year in the NB League, and was unlucky to finish 9th at nationals with a 4-1 win-loss record.

Team of the Year



Back row (l to r): Wally Morrison - coach, Brodie Bowness – assist. coach, Mon San Aung, Niall Burnett, Alex O'Brien, Mark Smith, Zachary Visser, Jarrod MacAdam, Matt Gardiner, Spencer Groom, Melis Visser - coach, John O'Brien - manager

Front row (l to r): Melvin Sim-Turay, Liam Doiron, Spencer Compton, Alex Hall, Ben Wheeler, Andrew Weeks, Alhaji Fofana, Daniel Whelan, Methurin Carr-Rollitt, Riley Spenceley

Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC - Under 16 Boys

The team was dominant team in 2013, losing just once in regular season play and easily topping the standings with 10 wins, 52 goals scored, and just 7 conceded. They won the Central Queens tournament, and took home the provincial title despite a tough game in the final, where they overcame Sherwood by 2-1.

Coaches Morrison, Visser and O'Brien have lots of experience on the national stage and they prepared the boys very well, returning from Kamloops with an excellent 5th place finish, including a 3-0 win over Manitoba.

Well coached and bristling with some of the best Island talent; this group of players all have excellent futures in the game and many will be playing at higher levels in the coming years.

Lowell Stewart Memorial Award



Marg Stewart presents Zachary Visser with the Lowell Stewart Memorial Award. The award recognizes soccer skill development, dedication to soccer, sportsmanship and support within a club.

Zachary Visser is a player who is never far away from the field. An excellent junior referee, and a fine player with the Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC U16s team, Zach is a true leader and he was named captain of the Championship winning Gray team, where he was a high school all-star.

He assists wherever he can at the club, coaching mini programs, putting on summer camps, helping at the tournament when not refereeing, and basically doing whatever needs to be done. He is a real stand-up guy who is 100% reliable, and when not at school studying or on the field, he is playing in the band or volunteering at the QEH. He is a great role model for the younger kids, and somebody they can really look up to.