

## PEISA 2016 AWARD WINNERS

### Administrator of the Year



Kirk McAleer, PEISA Vice-President, presents Mark Victor with the Administrator of the Year Award.

**Mark Victor** is somebody who puts in a great number of hours to keep the Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC club rolling along. He has done a fine job as President, managing a large board with great skill while valuing each and every opinion, and making everybody's contribution feel vital and important. The club has continued to grow under Mark's leadership with over 900 members. The club has adapted well to the challenge of meeting the needs of the many newcomers looking to play soccer in the Charlottetown area, and it has had the vision to employ a year-round club coordinator to help keep things running and to take the load off the volunteers. He doesn't micro-manage, knows his own limitations, and is happy to let the Board members take the responsibility for their individual roles.

## Alan Godfrey Volunteer of the Year



Chelsey & Courtney Gunn accept the Alan Godfrey Volunteer of the Year award from Linda Godfrey.

In the past two years the Club has been able to count on Courtney and Chelsey Gunn to volunteer their time and coach the U14 First Division girls' teams. They have dedicated much of their time in the early spring and summer to ensure that 13 and 14 year old girls have a wonderful season of soccer. As players themselves, Courtney and Chelsey manage to combine learning with fun at each practice and game. As a result, many of the girls return the following season to play again. The Gunn ladies are always on time, and always wearing a smile as they encourage their players.

Never shy to help out, Courtney and Chelsey helped the club's mini program by volunteering their time to coach U6 and U8 future stars. They have been there to support the club's mini-fest jamboree and end of the season barbeque lending a hand where needed.

This fall the Gunn girls stepped up when they knew there was a need for a coach for the Stonepark school girls' team. They had no relatives on the team but did coach some of the players during the summer season to a quarter final game. The Stonepark Tigers won the championship.

Courtney and Chelsey desire to see young girls continue to play and enjoy soccer throughout their lives much as they have been able to do.

## Coach of the Year



Bruce Norton(right), PEISA Board Member, presents Andrew Bartlett with the Coach of the Year award.

It is always good when our best players get into coaching and the boys at Sherwood Parkdale and Hillsborough United are very lucky to have Andrew Bartlett as their coach.

Andrew coached the Hillsborough United U14 Boys for the past two years coming close to winning the league and challenging for the provincial championships the first year. In 2016, HU's U14 Boys Premier team finished the season in first place with only one loss and went on to win the U14 Boys Provincial Championships.

Andrew manages to balance intensity with enjoyment in his practices and games teaching the boys about respect, commitment and work ethic while contributing to keeping the young soccer player engaged in the sport. The club has benefited from Andrew's knowledge and love of the game by having him mentor and assist other coaches in their practices and game strategies. Andrew is always willing and ready to provide the club insight and input with the goal to improve player development and instill a lifelong passion for soccer.

## Junior Female Player of the Year



Chris Wright, representing youth league sponsor Subway, presents Madison Hurley with the Junior Female Player of the Year award.

One of the most talented players in the province right now is Maddy Hurley of the Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC. A quick, strong striker with an eye for goal, Maddy scored the crucial goal in the U16 Provincial Final which saw the Royals win gold. She reads the game well, makes great runs into dangerous positions, and has a knack of being in the right place at the right time.

A likely starter for the Canada Games team later this year, her goals have helped the Royals win the High School championship and she was one of only two girls from PEI selected to attend the Whitecaps High Potential Prospects camp in Vancouver.



## **Junior Male Player of the Year**



David Vos(left), SoccerStop, presents Colin Curran with the Junior Male Player of the Year award.

Colin Curran of the Eastern Eagles has continually shown he is one of the finest players for his age in the province. Technically sound and gifted on the ball, Colin can play either centre midfield or wing back. He is a hard-working, smart player, always willing to learn, and always puts the team first.

He was a member of the U15 Provincial Team in 2016 and is an under-age player on the Canada Games training squad.

Colin was also one of only two PEI male players selected to attend the Whitecaps High Potential Prospect camp in Vancouver.

## Junior Referee of the Year



Jim Chandler, PEISA Director of Officials, presents Hailey Terstege with the Junior Referee of the Year Award.

Hailey arrives at each match fully prepared to provide a high level of officiating. She has always been keenly and sincerely interested in constructive feedback, and she has persevered with her officiating to become a competent, and confident, game official.

Hailey's professionalism and level of game control belie her young age. She has often been selected to join the varsity officiating crew as the Substitution Board Official, and this experience has enabled her to learn best practices from the Province's senior officials.

Hailey's commitment and improvement have resulted in her being selected as the Junior Official of the Year.

## Senior Referee of the Year



Jim Chandler(left), PEISA Director of Officials, presents Aziz Chiheb with the Senior Referee of the Year award.

Aziz Chiheb has been a senior official for a number of years. His availability and willingness to officiate at all levels have allowed him to support soccer matches throughout the province and in particular, East Prince. His calm, deliberate demeanour allows him to interact well with players and team officials at all levels. Through his thoughtful and considerate approach he is consistently supportive of his colleagues.

Aziz is a fine example of an official whose main goal is to provide sound officiating while allowing a competitive match to be played. He is a worthy recipient of the Senior Official of the Year.



## **Senior Female Player of the Year**



Mike Duffy(right), representing the City of Charlottetown, presents Briar Roberts with the Senior Female Player of the Year award.

Briar Roberts wins her second consecutive Female Player of the Year award.

An outstanding striker with a knack for scoring big goals – and plenty of them – Briar Roberts was named Atlantic Collegiate Athletic Association (ACAA) Player of the Year and a CCAA All-Canadian for the second straight season.

A Kinkora native in her third year with the Holland College Hurricanes, she scored twice to lead Holland College past the UNBSJ Seawolves in the semi-final and the school claimed its fourth ACAA women's soccer championship in team history with a 1-0 overtime win over the Mount Saint Vincent Mystics.

Briar led the conference with 15 goals and eight assists in the regular season.

In addition, she was a member of the Women's Premier League Champions WC Blizzard from the Winsloe-Charlottetown Royals FC and one of three finalists for the Sport PEI Inter-Collegiate Athlete of the Year.



## **Senior Male Player of the Year**



Mike Duffy, representing the City of Charlottetown, presents Ibrahima Sanoh, Sherwood-Parkdale Rangers SC, with the Senior Male Player of the Year award.

A Guinea native in his third year as a striker for the Holland College Hurricanes, Ibra helped the school claim its third straight ACAA championship, and sixth in team history.

In the final, he led the charge in a 3-0 win over the University of King's College Blue Devils with a goal and two assists. He finished at the top in the ACAA with 12 goals and five assists during the regular season.

He was named male Atlantic Collegiate Athletic Association (ACAA) player of the year for the second straight season, and was again named a CCAA All-Canadian. Very few defenders in college soccer can stop him when he is in full flight and defenders in the Island League have the same problem. As a member of the Sherwood-Parkdale Rangers FC Barca senior men's team, he also led the Senior Premier Division in scoring with 13 goals and helped his team clinch the regular season title.

## **Team of the Year**



Front row (l-r): Carla Stewart, Louisa McMurrer, Emma Langley, Maddie Thompson, Grace MacKinnon, Carly Thompson

Back row (l-r): Katie Timothy, Isabel Wagner, Maria Stevenson, Sherrie Langley(asst. coach), Mackayla Vos, Neleah Lavoie, Renee Arsenault, Hannah Mills, Claire Pickens, Amber Campbell, Michael Goeseels(coach), David Mills(manager)

Missing from photo: Paige Mallet, Stacey Mills(manager)

### **RC United – U14 Premier Team**

The RC United Under-14 Girls gelled very well as a team, even though many had never played together before. They had ups and downs – including losing their goalkeeper at an important part of the season – but they always kept their spirits up, and gave great support to a player that stepped in to help.

Their accomplishments included a silver medal at the all-girls Ramblers kick-off tournament, gold at the Winsloe tournament, and gold at Central Queens tournament. They had a rough road to Provincials, almost losing the first game, but they came together as a team and in the last minute tied it up to continue on for contention to win gold, which they did by defeating Kensington in the final game. Even though they had some tough games at nationals, they never let it get them down, and they always held their heads high, and were great ambassadors. Congratulations to the RC United U14 girls.

## Lowell Stewart Memorial Award



The award recognizes soccer skill development, dedication to soccer, sportsmanship and support within a club.

Thomas Carter-Thompson(left) accepts the Lowell Stewart Memorial Award from Lowell's sister Barb and John Diamond, PEISA President. Missing from the picture – Hannah Hardy.

This award is in remembrance of a young man who was lost much too soon. The Lowell Stewart Memorial Award bears the name of a fine soccer player, student, teammate and volunteer, and the award is presented annually to a young soccer player who characterizes all of those values.

This year the committee is presenting the award to two such individuals who embody what Lowell stood for – Hannah Hardy and Thomas Carter-Thompson.

Hannah Hardy from Summerside has been playing soccer at the club since she was 4. She has played premier youth soccer, attended nationals and has played all three years at the Three Oaks. She also enjoys figure skating.

Hannah has been a great volunteer at the club by coaching the U10 girl's teams. She shows great responsibility in practising and developing the skills of the players. She volunteers at tournaments, assists at registration, and is also an up and coming referee. She loves soccer, is a great volunteer, and is a valuable member of the Summerside soccer community.

Thomas Carter-Thompson, from Stratford Soccer Club, contributes much time not only as a high level player but as a coach, referee and mentor.

Currently on the Canada Games training squad, Thomas is a born leader who likes to pass on his knowledge to others. He coaches in the Stratford club's mini program as well as with the PEISA Academy program. He is well versed in the game's laws having passed his referee course, and is always willing to help out wherever needed at events such as the club's mini-fest, where reports say he barbecues a pretty good hot-dog.