



# BRIAN BEISEL

Brian Beisel has had a long and storied career in lacrosse that few can match.

His roots in Brampton are deep. He was born in Brampton in 1975. He began playing minor lacrosse as a youngster and continued for 31 years, finishing in 2009. After his playing career, he has remained in the sport as a coach at the minor level in Brampton and in the professional National Lacrosse League (NLL). He has also been a referee and an executive.

As a player he went to five Mann Cup finals, the Canadian senior championship, winning twice. At the junior level he won the 1996 Minto Cup, (the Canadian junior championship) while with Orangeville, scoring the game-winning goal in Game seven in overtime. In 1995 he was named the Brampton Junior A Playoff MVP. He earned an Ontario junior championship with Brampton and went to the Minto Cup final in 1994. Beisel also won gold at the Ontario midget national finals.

In 11 seasons in the NLL, he went to three finals, winning the Champions Cup with the Toronto Rock in 2005. He played 124 games, accumulating 125 points, including 35 goals and 90 assists.

In field lacrosse, Beisel played twice in the under-19 national finals, winning gold and silver. At the Senior A level with the Brampton Major Excelsiors, he went to 10 consecutive Ontario senior finals, winning five gold medals. Also, at provincial levels he was on teams that won the silver at the Bantam Ontario Finals and earned two golds at under-18 in field lacrosse. In Junior A he earned three all-star game selections. Beisel also earned two Ontario Masters Lacrosse Championship gold medals in 2011 and 2012.

He was head coach for the Junior A Excelsiors, from 2004 to 2010, reaching the Minto Cup final in 2009. He has served as coach of the Major Excelsiors since 2019. Beisel is also a two-time assistant coach with the under-17 Team Canada box lacrosse team. In 12 years of coaching Brampton minor lacrosse teams, he has guided teams to two Ontario championships and one silver medal.

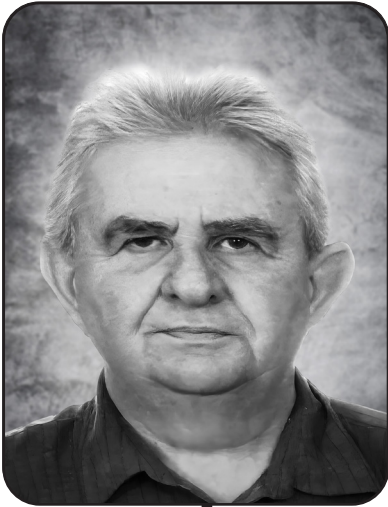
He has also served as a minor lacrosse executive and referee. Beisel was a member of the small group of Excelsiors alumni and fans who were able to return the Major Excelsiors to Brampton under the Brampton Excelsior Lacrosse Club umbrella.

He has also coached in the professional NLL. In 2019 he was a coach with the NLL champion Calgary Roughnecks. For the 2024-25 season he was named as an assistant coach with the Ottawa Black Bears.

Beisel's ties to Brampton Memorial Arena extend beyond the summers. He played his entire minor hockey career in Brampton from 1980 to 1996, including back-to-back Dudley Hewitt Cup appearances in the Central Ontario Junior A finals with the Brampton Capitals, who, like the Excelsiors, called Memorial their home. In addition, Beisel worked at the arena for 15 years, and the facility continues to hold a special significance for him.

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# NORMEN CADORIN

Normen Giovanni Cadorin was a respected figure in the Brampton baseball community. Had a long and illustrious history of service both as a Toronto Police Office for 38 years and as an umpire-in-chief for Brampton Minor Baseball.

His dedication to the sport extended beyond officiating. He also coached and umpired games. His impact on the baseball community is remembered fondly. Cadorin started umpiring in the mid-70s. His passion for baseball, his expertise and leadership qualities led him to become umpire-in-chief for the game in Brampton. It was Cadorin who introduced the graduating three levels of proficiency with umpires beginning at the age of 13. Under his guidance Brampton was allowed to conduct its own certification programme and the City became known as a model for developing young umpires.

Cadorin also spent hours scheduling umpires for both regular and tournament play and he would also track hours of work put in by the umpires so that they could get paid. He also found time to manually write out paycheques and while evaluating the many young umpires on the field. For this dedication Cadorin was presented with the prestigious Dick Willis Award for outstanding achievement in umpiring in 1997. In addition, Cadorin was rewarded with BMBI's own Jack Campbell award for outstanding contribution to Brampton baseball. The City also honoured him with a longtime Service Award for his dedication to enhancing baseball in the Brampton.

"Norm always led by example and never asked us to do anything that he wouldn't do," said Tony D'Agostino, who worked with Cadorin as an umpire. "He held himself to a high standard and wanted to ensure that our organization wasn't only known for the quality of players but as well as the excellence of the officiating team."

Mike Gallant, chairman of 7 Diamond Group of Companies who also played for Cadorin had nothing but overwhelming praise for Cadorin. "Normen's impact on Brampton sports is second to none," said Gallant. "Normen gave much of himself to the sport and the city. I truly believe that without Normen and his contribution to BMBI it would not be the organization that it is today. Personally, I cannot measure the impact Cadorin had on my life. He was a great coach. I believe this posthumous awarding of this honour has been a long time coming and there is no better person in my eyes to become a member of this Hall and champion for Brampton sports."

Cadorin passed away in 2014 after battling complications from lung cancer.

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# RON NOONAN

Ron Noonan is among the best-known sports administrators in Brampton, having been involved with hockey, soccer and baseball associations.

Noonan got into organized sports at an early age because of his father's ties with the military. The military provided Noonan with an early start as the base in Toronto had a hockey and baseball program for the kids. He also played minor hockey and baseball and in high school he participated in baseball and football.

In 1960, his thoughts turned to the armed forces. "I joined the 48th Highlanders Canada Army Reserves, following in my dad's footsteps," Noonan said. Noonan was keen on improving his skills so that he could put it to use in developing superior coaches and better players. Noonan got into coaching in 1974-75 when his son Derek signed up for the Chinguacousy Minor Hockey Association and assisted Vern Woolridge and Bob Macaulay. He then turned his attention to soccer after his son Derek signed up for soccer and Noonan was named an assistant coach. He learned a lot about the game from head coaches Fred Carroll and Peter Hames. He also broadened his knowledge of the game by purchasing soccer books. It all helped, as he was later made head coach of a tyke team. Noonan then moved into coaching baseball when his other son John got involved and here he received support from David Dash and Norm Cadorin. In the next few seasons, John got into hockey at Chinguacousy, but Noonan was unable to coach because of a new club rule barring parents from coaching their child's team. From that early stint in coaching, Noonan moved into administration, where he left an indelible mark.

He was on the Chinguacousy Minor Hockey Association board from 1991 to 1995 before taking over as president from 1995 to 1997. His involvement with Chinguacousy saw Noonan move to the Ontario Minor Hockey Association where he served as an instructor coach, co-ordinator, technical director, executive board member and in 2015 was installed as chairman of coaching programs. For his sterling contribution the OMHA designated a trophy in his name, and it's awarded to the winner of the Novice League in eastern Ontario. Among the awards Noonan received were the Ontario Hockey Federation's 2005 Volunteer of the Year award, the Citizen's Award in 1996 and the Bill Richmond Award in 2010.

Since 2004, Noonan has served as the curator of the Brampton Sports Hall of Fame, actively seeking sports memorabilia from the public that hold significance for the city.

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# RAYMOND RUTTER

Raymond Rutter was regarded as one of the most influential figures in Canadian boxing circles. After being closely associated with the sport for close to 30 years, Rutter passed away in 2016 and his death is still being felt at the professional level.

He managed 15 champions - 10 Canadian, four Commonwealth and 1 world titleholder. Rutter was inducted into the Canadian Boxing Hall of Fame in 1984 and was named Canadian Manager of the Year in 1988 and in 1989. A year later, Rutter founded Canadastar Boxing Inc., broadcasting fights across the country. Among its rightsholders were Don King Productions, Top Rank Inc., HBO and HBO PPV (formerly TVKO), Main Events, Golden Boy Promotions and Showtime SET, among others. Throughout the 1990s, Rutter was involved with TSN and Viewer's Choice Canada and was later brought on by TSN as a boxing analyst.

In 1995 at the International Boxing Federation's (IBF) annual convention, he was presented with an award in the special supporter category. Additionally, Canadastar Boxing Inc. received an award for distributing IBF title fights throughout Canada, also in the special supporter category.

He also served as an official for the Ontario Athletic Commission, working as a judge at professional boxing events from 2015 to 2016.

Rutter was active in his community, working with Brampton youth for over 12 years. He coached and managed teams in the Brampton Youth Hockey Association (BYHA) and Brampton Minor Baseball Inc. (BMBI). Under his leadership, the teams won numerous tournaments at the local, provincial and national levels.

Rutter's ability to identify, mentor and develop talent was unmatched. He worked tirelessly to ensure his fighters were well-prepared, both physically and mentally, for the challenges they faced in the ring. His keen eye for potential and his unwavering support helped shape the careers of numerous athletes, many of whom went on to achieve remarkable success under his guidance. His work extended beyond individual fighters to promoting boxing as a sport in Canada, where he fought to elevate its profile and create opportunities for Canadian boxers to compete on the global stage.

Rutter's impact on Canadian boxing remains profound. His work laid the foundation for future generations of athletes and boxing professionals, and his legacy continues to inspire those who share his love for the sport. A true visionary, mentor, and family man, Rutter will always be remembered as a driving force in Canadian boxing, whose influence extended far beyond the ring.

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# GEORGE SHEPPERDLEY

Born in Parkstone, Dorset, England in 1941, George Shepperdley has been a leading figure in the Brampton cycling community since he moved here in 1975. He remains active while in his 80s.

Not only has he won numerous awards and citations for his cycling, but he has also shared his knowledge to organize bike racing competitions and helped make Brampton a better place for cyclists. In 2013, he was an inaugural member of Bike Brampton. That group petitioned Brampton Council to create a Cycling Advisory Committee, and he served on that committee for four years.

George joined the Bramalea Cycling Club in 1977. He was elected president in 1998 and served in that position for four years. He was instrumental in changing the club's name to Brampton Cycling Club.

In 1979, he was honoured by the cycling club for riding 149 miles at the Brampton Fitness Challenge. He also received a certificate for participating with distinction in the Enerfest 1983 Bike-A-Thon.

In 2010, he was asked to be a convenor for the Ontario Seniors Games Brampton District 19. When Brampton was selected to host the 55+ Canada Games in 2016, he served on the organizing committee, although cycling was not part of those games.

In recent years, he has worked with Bike Brampton on its community rides, including Bike the Creek. George has also helped others repair bicycles at Different Spokes in downtown Brampton, Bike Brampton and at various popup locations.

Among his other contributions, George has assisted Bike Brampton at bicycle shows and volunteered on Bike to Work Day. George was asked to join the Brampton Flowertown Probus Club to help organize its cycling group, which rides once a week, weather permitting.

Besides his efforts as a builder for the cycling community, he has an impressive collection of medals he has won in competition. At the provincial level he has won gold medals at the 2008 55+ Provincial Games in Oshawa and the 2015 Provincial Games in Brampton. He also earned a bronze medal at the 55+ Ontario Provincial Games in Midland in 2016 and two silver medals at the Canada Games in St. John, New Brunswick, in 2018.

He has entered various time trials, road races and criteriums, winning numerous trophies, medals and certificates.

His efforts have also been acknowledged beyond Brampton. The president of the Oakville Cycling Club presented George with a certificate in 1996 for his generosity, stating, "We believe that your support of riders and of club activities contribute greatly to bicycling in general and amateur athletics in particular." He became a cycling Commissaire for the Ontario Cycling Association for four years, travelling from Windsor to Peterborough to Judge in Ontario Cup Races on the weekends.

In 2024 he covered 4,300 kilometres in the Peel Region on his bicycle.

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# PATRICK TATHAM

Patrick Tatham said he fell in love with basketball the first time he picked up a ball. That love affair has led to success as both a player and coach at numerous levels.

At Chinguacousy Secondary School, he was named team MVP each year. The Toronto Star and the Toronto Sun newspapers both named him one of the top five high school players in Ontario. Tatham earned a scholarship to Cleveland State University, playing 101 games over four years, graduating with a degree in communications.

From 2002 to 2004 he was a member of Canada's junior national team. In 2004 he was named Mr. Basketball Canada. As a professional, he played three seasons overseas in Switzerland, Syria, Qatar and Germany.

Following his playing career, he began coaching at Stoneridge Preparatory School in Simi Valley, California. Patrick joined the staff at Ryerson University (now Toronto Metropolitan University) in the 2010-11 season. Over the next five years, he held various roles, including assistant coach, director of basketball operations and lead assistant.

In 2015-16, Patrick took over as interim head coach when head coach Roy Rana was on leave. Ryerson won its first-ever Ontario championship, defeating five-time Canadian champion Carleton for the first time and winning a second consecutive Canadian Inter-University Sport (CIS) bronze medal. Tatham was named the OUA Coach of the Year and became the first Black coach to win the Stu Aberdeen Trophy as CIS Coach of the Year.

For the 2016-17 season, he was an assistant coach for the Maine Red Claws, the Boston Celtics' team in the NBA Development League. In 2017, he was named head coach of the men's basketball team at McMaster University.

Following the 2023-24 season, he was presented with the OUA Men's basketball champion of EDI (Equity, Diversity and Inclusion) Award. His efforts have included starting an annual Black History Month game in 2019, with proceeds donated to groups helping disadvantaged youth. He is also a leader in the Empowered Program, hosted by the Black Student Success Centre at McMaster University.

He has coached at several levels with Basketball Canada. He was an assistant coach with Canada's under-19 team, which won bronze at the 2021 world championship-only the second time Canada has medaled at a men's world age group championship-losing to the heavily favoured USA by just six points in a semifinal. He was also an assistant coach with the Senior Men's National Team from 2018 to 2020, helping them qualify for the 2019 FIBA World Cup. Other coaching achievements include being named the head coach of both men's age-group national teams in 2022-a first in the history of Basketball Canada-leading the team to a bronze medal at the FIBA under-18 Americas tournament in Brazil and a fifth-place at the 2013 Summer Universiade in Russia.

In 2022, he was head coach for under-19 team, finishing seventh at the world championship. He has also coached at the under-17 Basketball World Cup, the national cadet program and with the senior men's team at FIBA World Cup qualifying. Several players he coached have gone on to play in the NBA.

Patrick and his sisters, Tamara and Alisha, both also accomplished players, joined forces to run a basketball camp, The Tatham Trio, for young basketball players in Brampton. Patrick now joins Tamara, a 2022 inductee, in the Brampton Sports Hall of Fame.

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