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HONOURED MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION APPLICATION

Date Received

Nominee: PETRIE KEN
Family Name First Name Middle Initial Address: HOPE STREET TERRACE NURSING HOME Postal Code: PORT HOPE Phone (H) _____(W) ____ Email Address: Birth Place: STRATFORD Date of Birth: 11 JULY 1946
Day Month Year Place/Date of Death: YearsLived in Cobourg and/or District: 1957 - 2013 If nominee is deceased, please provide name, address and phone number of next of kin. SPORT ACHIEVEMENT Nomination For: Athlete () Builder () Sport (s): MINOR: HOCKEY, SOFTBALL & BASEBALL ROLE/CAPACITY DATE **TEAM** SPORT

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THE ABOVE FACTS ARE TRUE, AND I ENDORSE THIS APPLICATION FOR INDUCTION INTO THE COBOURG AND DISTRICT SPORTS HALL OF FAME

NOMINATOR: MARY AINSWORTH

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Ken Petrie Nomination

It is an honour and privilege to nominate Ken Petrie as an inductee to the "Builder" category of the 2020 Cobourg and District Sports Hall of Fame.

Kenneth Wayne James Petrie was born July 11, 1946 in Stratford, Ontario. In 1957 when he was 11—he and his family moved to Cobourg. In 1972 they moved to Furnace Street across from Memorial Arena where he eventually worked for many years.

During a month-long visit from his grandfather one summer, Ken learned to play ball which sparked a life-long love of sports. He was an avid bowler as well early in his life.

Unselfishly, Ken devoted most of his adult life to minor sports in Cobourg—namely: the Cobourg Community Hockey League (CCHL); Cobourg Legion Minor Softball Association and Cobourg Baseball Association.

It was about 1965 when Ken was 19 that Layton Dodge recruited him to volunteer with the Cobourg Church Hockey League. He helped Gord Burdick Senior coach the St. Andrew's Church League team. Thus began a life-long tenure with the CCHL until the organization moved from Memorial Arena to the CCC in 2011.

In July 2013, Ken suffered an abdominal aortic aneurysm and moved to a nursing home in Port Hope where he resides today.

In hockey, Ken was a tireless workhorse helping out wherever he could whether it be as a coach, manager, trainer, fundraiser, Bingo volunteer, executive member, committee member, or just plain taking on responsibilities when necessary—when no one else would if he could. He was president of the CCHL a record 11 times (1979-82, 1985, 1993, 1999-2003) and was a long-time life member. He was OMHA contact person many, many times (a time consuming huge responsibility), ice chairman, governor, tournament convenor, timekeeper/scorekeeper, budget committee member and astoundingly, many of these in a single hockey season. Those of us who worked with Ken didn't mind helping him though—as he never asked anyone to do anything he wouldn't do himself. It is on record that Layton Dodge called Ken "the driving force behind the CCHL". Also, Past President, Jim Nairn is quoted as saying "Ken Petrie's sense of community and love for the game is what kept him coming back."

A source of great pride for Ken throughout his time in the CCHL is seeing all of Cobourg's championship hockey banners hanging from the rafters in Memorial Arena. Also, he was extremely proud of the fact that the CCHL housed both boys and girls hockey (OMHA and

OWHA) under the CCHL umbrella.

Ken's happy cheerful demeanor along with his willingness to help gave credence to the CCHL motto "Dedicated to Our Youth". That is Ken Petrie through and through.

Besides the enormous amount of time spent volunteering with hockey during fall and winter, Ken loved spending the summer months coaching boys or girls teams in either softball or baseball. For many years he donated the trophies for the 'golden glove' competitions during Cobourg Baseball tournaments. Not only that, little known to the general public, Ken Petrie throughout his time in sports often made sure that a kid on his team who needed a ball glove, hockey stick or whatever in order to play—and whose parents couldn't afford it, was given what they needed from Sommerville's.... he'd go into the store and square up with Clarke or Dave later.

Since the mid 1960s, Ken compiled the most amazing record when it comes to provincial championship wins and claims 10 provincial titles with minor sports—hockey, softball and baseball combined. Perhaps the most ever in Cobourg. Eight are listed below plus an EOBA championship.

The certificates commemorating Ken's provincial championship wins are not very detailed as to the individual winning team names as you will see. However, in an article by Cobourg Star writer Darryl Thompson in 2005 (Scrapbook #3), Ken clearly states he had an All-Ontario hockey championship, one Ontario Girls' softball championship, four Ontario Amateur Softball Association (OASA) championships and four Ontario Baseball Association (OBA) titles. The Ontario Championships listed below are the ones I could verify with the information given—not to say there aren't others. He coached baseball in Port Hope as well.

Without an accompanying certificate is a provincial championship title captured by the Legion Squirt Red Wings Softball team coached by Ken and the late Tom Savage back in 1967. It was Cobourg Legion Minor Softball's first ever provincial title. The newspaper clipping is included however the date is not on it. Team member, Terry Irwin has confirmed the date is 1967.

This submission is modest compared to Ken's actual achievements and accomplishments. His many certificates, citations, plaques and awards for service to community were at one time proudly displayed in his home. Some of them are listed here or documented clippings are pasted up in scrapbooks.

We will never really know how many hockey/ball teams Ken actually coached there were so many. Enclosed are some team photos provided by Ken's sister Mary (Checkley) Ainsworth plus others from Layton Dodge's archival black and white photos as proof of his extensive coaching involvement.

In addition to this submission, documentation of some of his achievements have been put together in three scrapbooks showcasing the highlights of his time spent volunteering for minor hockey, baseball and softball over 40 years.

So—it is to this end, that we nominate Sportsman Ken Petrie—as an inductee to the Cobourg and District Sports Hall of Fame. He is truly most worthy of your consideration.

Ontario Championships

- 1967 Cobourg Legion Squirt "A" Red Wings OASA Softball Team (with Tom Savage)
- 1970 PWSA Martin's Sunoco Girls Softball Team (with Audrey Warner)
 Ken's sister Mary Checkley played on this team (provincial certificate photocopied)
- 1976 Cobourg Legion Squirt "B" OASA Softball Team (with John Hayden)
- 1979 EOBA Tyke 'A' Champs with Sommerville Leprechauns Baseball Team (w/ Pete Sweet)
- 1983 Cobourg Legion Pirates Peewee 'D' Baseball Team (with Al Guernsey & Gord Latourneau)
- 1984 Cobourg Bantam Baseball Team
- 1988-89 Harnden & King 'BB' Pee Wee OMHA Hockey Team (with John Donegan)
- 1990 Legion Pee Wee 'B' Pirates Baseball Team (with Ron Jay and Dave Clarke)
- 1998 Cobourg Legion Midget "B" OASA Softball Team (with Bob Bateman)

Finalists

- 1972 Thompson Plumbing & Heating Saints Midget Girls PWSA (with Ross Burgess and Les Stevenson)
- 1982 Cobourg Legion Pirates Pee Wee 'C' Baseball (with Dave Bemma & Bob Barkhouse)

Honours & Awards

- 1972/73 Cobourg Church Hockey League "Coach of the Year Award" St. Andrew's Pee Wee North Stars
- 1976 Certificate of Merit from the Cobourg Legion Minor Softball Association in appreciation of outstanding service to the youth of our community
- 1978/79 OMHA Coach of the Year (with Dennis Whelan) in the CCHL
- 1980 The Spooner Sport Award for outstanding contributions to minor sport
- 1981 Cobourg Baseball Association's "Jim Munro Memorial Trophy" for Coach of the Year
- 1983 Cobourg Baseball Association's "Jim Munro Memorial Trophy" for Coach of the Year
- 1984 CBA's Jim Munro Trophy to Ken Petrie and Wayne Wiggins for Coach of the Year
- 1987 Sesquicentennial Celebration Award Town of Cobourg Angus Read
- Canada Celebration 88 (Olympic Partner) Certificate of Merit from the Government of Canada in grateful recognition of your contribution to your community

- 1990 YMCA Service to Youth Award
- 1990? Cobourg Baseball Association's "Jim Munro Memorial Trophy" Coach of the Year Award presented by Frank Waghorn (picture in Scrapbook #1 no date) *Note He did win a provincial championship in 1990
- 1993 OBA's "Bantam Coach of the Year Award" from AAA to E levels (a province-wide citation)
- 1997 Ontario Municipal Recreation Association Certificate from the Town of Cobourg given at the CCHL's annual awards banquet with Layton Dodge
- ? Life Member of the Cobourg Community Hockey League inscripted on the CCHL Life Member Plaque
- 1997 Life Member of Cobourg Legion Minor Softball Association
- 2001 Ontario Minor Hockey Association Letter of Commendation from OMHA President Pat Parlette "
- 2007 Nomination for the National "RBC Hockey Heroes Award" by Rhonda Cunningham with a card of congratulations from Lou Rinaldi, MPP Northumberland
- 2019 Members of the Northumberland Baseball Association assume that Ken was a life member of the former CBA I have not been able to confirm this as yet.

Submitted by

Rosey Bateman September 2019

and

Mary Ainsworth (Scrapbooks, certificates, pictures etc.)

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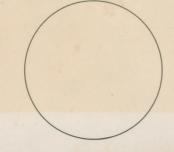
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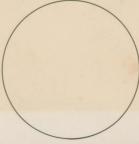
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Please keep this letter as your proof of having completed this course. It must be signed by your course conductor and will be required when registering for your next Theory course.

Our goal of making sport a better place for amateur athletes will certainly be accomplished through your continued conscientious and dedicated effort.

Anita Comella NCCP Coordinator



Taul Murray
Course Conductor



January 2007

As your Member of Provincial Parliament, it is my pleasure to extend congratulations to

Ken Petrie

on your nomination for the

RBC Hockey Heroes Award

Your dedication and compassion in your volunteering has served to enhance and preserve the quality of life in Northumberland County.

Best wishes for the future!

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Northumberland



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Mr. Ken Petrie Cobourg Community Hockey League

April 28, 2001

Dear Ken,

On behalf of the Executive and Membership of the Ontario Minor Hockey Association, I would like to congratulate you on your 35 years of volunteering in the Cobourg Community Hockey League.

This being the Year of the Volunteer, the OMHA recognizes the many volunteers such as you, who commit many hours of their time to the sport of Minor Hockey.

Your leadership, efforts and contributions to the Cobourg Community Hockey League during your lengthy term of service to Minor Hockey are sincerely appreciated.

The quality of the experience enjoyed by the youth of your Association is a direct result of the efforts of quality individuals such as yourself, who give so unselfishly of their time, expertise and experience. Your leadership has made a tremendous impact on the lives of many young people.

Thank-you is a simple statement. Volunteer is a simple word. What a volunteer does is simply impressive.

In recognition of your many years of hard work in volunteering in hockey, the Ontario Minor Hockey Association thanks you and congratulates you for the manner in which you so admirably represented your Association and the OMHA with such honour and integrity.

Sincerely,

ONTARIO MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION

Pat Parlette President

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Petrie earns OBA coaching award

By Jim den Hollander

Last baseball season may not have been entirely satisfying for Ken Petrie but last Saturday he was justly rewarded.

Petrie was honoured by the Ontario Baseball Association as its 1993 Bantam Coach of the Year at the seventh annual Best Ever Coaching Clinic and Appreciation Luncheon held at the Inn on the Park in Toronto.

Nominated by Port Hope Minor Baseball and approved by the Eastern Ontario Baseball Association, the 47-yearold Cobourg man was selected by the OBA as the top coach out of all bantam teams in the province, AAA to E level.

Port Hope Local 13173 Bantam Steelers hardly had a boastful season last summer, but the Port Hope minor ball association nominated Petrie based on a long career of helping children in sports.

Petrie has been coaching different age levels of baseball and both girls' and boys' softball for 27 years, all but the last three seasons in his hometown of Cobourg. He went to Port Hope after local baseball administrators voted not to give him and Ron Jay the Cobourg tyke (mosquito) rep team coaching job in 1991.

In three years with the Port Hope minor baseball organization, Petrie has stuck with the same core of players, first through a pair of peewee seasons and then last summer in bantam. While certainly not the most successful team ever put together, Petrie said he likes the group of players he has worked with.

"As far as wanting to play, there was no problem with these guys; they don't give you any problems."

Petrie said trying to get a top team and take them to an all-Ontario championship is not an all-consuming ambition since he's already been there eight times already.

During his lengthy coaching career, he has directed Cobourg teams to three OBA provincial titles, three Ontario Amateur Softball Association championships, one Provincial Women's Softball Association laurel and one Ontario Minor Hockey Association crown.

None of the titles stand out above the others for Petrie. "They're all about the same...when you win, it's nice."

Port Hope minor baseball workers, obviously impressed with Petrie's track record, consider themselves lucky to have him on their side and decided to nominate him this season. On the nomination sheet, PHMBA president Liz Stewart wrote: "Ken is a dedicated, enthusiastic coach. He teaches and displays discipline, sportsmanship and fair play. Ken will coach any age group required of him to assist our organization in providing competitive calibre ball."

Petrie said he has always enjoyed the coaching and the relationship with the players.

"What's really satisfying is when the kids you have coached still call me Mr. Petrie, say they had a great time and remember stuff I don't even remember myself anymore; then you know you've done something."

Despite the years behind the bench, Petrie also said he is still learning as a coach every year.

"The thing I've found about coaching is, the more you coach, the more you find out you didn't know as much before," Petrie concluded.

Petrie was the lone EOBA representative to pick up an award at the annual dinner. Others receiving honors were Ron Austin from Goderich Minor Baseball at the Rookie Ball level, Dave Ashman from Tecumseh/St. Clair Beach Baseball Association at the Mosquito level, Ken Kay from Hamilton Mahoney Park Baseball Association at the midget level, Rick Fremlin, the Juvenile coach from Flesherton Minor Baseball and Ron McDermott of the Essex County Senior Baseball League.

Star editor's note — This respected Cobourg sportsman, now serving the CCHL as its chairman of the board, has a distinguished background in minor hockey here as well over the last quarter of a century or so. Petrie has dedicated thousands of hours as the CCHL's five-time president and held various other posts including coaching stints in house league and all-star ranks, overall ice chairman, OMHA manager, house league governor, OMHA contact man, ad infinitum.



Petrie prime — Ken Petrie, 47, of Cobourg was honoured by the Ontario Baseball Association at its 1993 Bantam coach of the year at the seventh annual Best Ever Coaching Clinic in Toronto last Saturday. Petrie has coached minor baseball, softball and hockey during a 27-year career. He directed the Port Hope Local 13173 Bantam Steelers last summer. Photo by Layton Dodge



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May you enjoy kind fortune, prosperity, and good health in the years ahead.

Signed,

Dr. Doug Galt

MPP for Northumberland





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TO

KEN PETRIE

1990 PROVINCIAL CHAMPION IN

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LEGION PEE WEE PIRATES

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Minister



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TO

KEN PETRIE

Cobourg Harnden and King Pee Wees

1988-89 All Ontario Champions

IN

O.M.H.A. Pee Wee "BB" Hockey

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KEN PETRIE, COACH

As the Member in the Parliament of Ontario for Northumberland

I extend my sincere congratulations and best wishes on your all ontario "bb" pee wee Championship.

It is my hope that you will enjoy the years to come in good health and much happiness.

Ioan Fawcett, M.P.P. Northumberland



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KEN PETRIE

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Province of Ontario

KEN PETRIE, Coach, Cobourg Bantam All Ontario Baseball Champions 1984

As your Member in the Ontario Legislature, Iextend my heartiest congratulations to you, and all members of your championship team, on your recent sporting achievement.

May your future endeavours bring you many more successes.



Howard Sheppard

Howard Sheppard, M.P.P. Porthumberland



SPORTS CHAMPIONSHIP CERTIFICATE

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TO

KEN PETRIE- COACH

COBOURG LEGION PIRATES

IN

1983 PEEWEE BASEBALL ONTARIO CHAMPIONS

Howard Mark Leeber c. 15 auch Minister

The Premier of Ontario

Parliament Buildings
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I am indeed pleased to have this opportunity to congratulate you, on behalf of the Government and the people of Ontario, for earning, through perseverance and determination, the Ontario Championship Certificate for outstanding achievement in the amateur sports field.

Our purpose in presenting these certificates is to encourage those in our Province who have shown extraordinary interest and prowess in the various Ontario Sports Programs.

I should like to add my personal good wishes to you at this time. I hope that your interest in sport will continue to bring you much personal satisfaction and a rewarding feeling of accomplishment in the years to come.

William G. Davis.

Ulliam Haves



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Squirt Softball Team Best In The Province



vincial softball title to come to Cobourg in 16 years and the first All-Ontario softball crown ever to be won by a since the Cobourg Legion

final, It marked the first pro- formed ten years ago. This picture was snapped moments after their history-making victory: Front row, from Branch 133-sponsored team left - John Gallagher, Paul Martin, batboy Pete Martin, Jon Fisher, captain Eddic Clarey holding the trophy,

ftball cliff-hanger at Toronto in the Minor Softball League was Terry Irwin, Rob Dunn, Garth Kelly; second row -Jerry Cochrane, Jeff McCaig, Ted Hastings, Paul Bevan, Barry Mason, John Buckley, Mark Waterbury, Brian Watt; third row - coach Tom Savage, manager Art Martin. coach Ken Petrie, scorer Gayle Martin. Holding the Go Cobourg Go sign is Mary Jane Buckley and Mary Jane Martin. See page 6 for full details.

KEN PETRIE OF ST. ANDREW'S PEEWEE NORTH STAR whenever and wherever it Named Church Hockey League's Coach of the Year

Ken Petrie CCHL

nanagers, referees and magnetic hockey board to minor hockey volunteers put his point across to his turned out at Cobourg players in the dressing Arena last Friday night for room prior to a game, and League's third annual stag keeping his own private buffet supper.

Following smorgasbord meal of individual scoring. scalloped potatoes, hot and To top it off, cold meats, jelly salads, willingly and faithfully rolls, pickles and pie, assisted attention was focused on timekeeping for the presentation of special house league games all awards to four deserving season. individuals.

Ken Petrie was named Coach of the Year. Petrie earned acclaim for his exceptional dedication to the CCHL and leadership of St. Andrew's North Stars in guiding them to Peewee grand championship.

Petrie, who benefitted from the Hockey Canada coaching course held early in the season at Sir Sandford Fleming's Cobourg campus, worked hard in arranging and organizing extra ice time for his players via practices and exhibition games. enthusiasm was tagious because it spread to the players who responded to his prodding and to their parents who supported the team went.

Unlike some house league coaches, Ken did much more than just open and shut the gate one game a week. He scouted his opposition, plotted strategy to neutralize their strengths, stressed team

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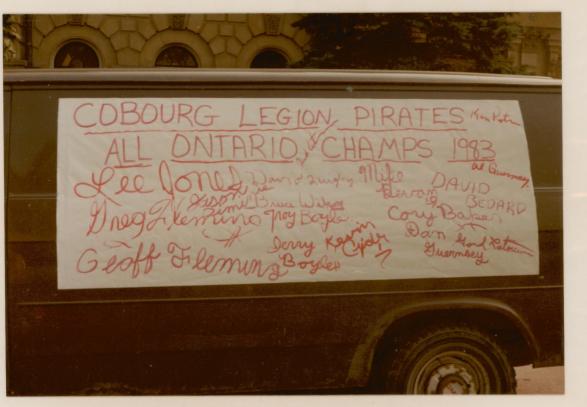








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KENNETH WAYNE JAMES PETRIE

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Ken Petrie was a quiet man, he did his talking through his actions and no one did it any better. He was a very special volunteer.