

Gord Hartley

2007 Inductee - Athlete Category



Gord Hartley was an outstanding pitcher in the 'golden' days of Senior A Men's fastball, starting in the 1950's at Moody Park in New Westminster and then in Vancouver when the league moved to South Memorial Park. Playing for a number of teams over the years, records from South Hill Sports show that over the 15 years of his career, he recorded 99 wins and 41 losses with an ERA of .707. During this time frame, he also threw 36 shutouts and two 'no' hitters.

Some highlights of his career include the Gold Medal at the 1970 B.C. Senior A Men's Provincial Championships, which was a 24-inning marathon and the longest game recorded in major men's history.

Gord pitched all 24 innings and to win the game, hit in the winning run. Gord was a member of the Molson Canadians, who competed at the first Canada Summer Games ever held in 1969 in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia. The team started a tradition of excellence for B.C. at the games by capturing the Gold Medal. In 1967, Winnipeg hosted what was the largest sporting event held in Canada to that time, the 'V' Pan American Games. The games were host to 2,361 athletes from 29 countries, competing in 18 sports. As the Gold Medal winners at the 1966 Canadian Championships, the Molson Canadians represented Canada at these games. In 1965, Gord also represented B.C. and Canada at the World championships in Florida.

In a softball career spanning two decades, the accolades and awards received by Gord are many, but he was a team player, and popular with his team, as well as his opponents. Gord was inducted into the South Hill Sports Hall of Fame in 1993 and is a deserving addition to the Softball B.C. Hall of Fame.



Career Highlights

- 1965-69 – 5x consecutive winner of the BC and Canadian Championships
- 1966 – Canadian Championship Gold Medalist with the Molson Canadians
- 1969 – Competitor at the Canada Summer Games with the Molson Canadians
- 1970 – BC Senior A Men's Provincial Championship Gold Medalist
- 1970 – Pitched a historic and record breaking 24-inning game
- 1993 – Inducted into the South Hill Sports Hall of Fame
- 2007 – Inducted into the Softball BC Hall of Fame