

The Optimist Club of Stanley Park

Recipient in 2022: Organization Category

KSA Award of Excellence



Organization Category: The Optimist Club of Stanley Park represented here by, (L-R), Gord Dearborn, Rick & Aldene Waud, Peter Hoffman, Mike Quigley (KSA President), Mark & Carole Kerr, Allison and Rob Graham, Barb & Joe Watson and Stephen Grant (Chair of the Award of Excellence Program) (May 16, 2023)

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KITCHENER SPORTS ASSOCIATION



**2022 AWARD OF EXCELLENCE
ORGANIZATION CATEGORY**

Presented to

**THE OPTIMIST CLUB
OF STANLEY PARK**

FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SPORTING COMMUNITY

Founded in 1984, the Club has been working with youth in the Stanley Park Community through its Ball and other programs that annually engage hundreds of local youth. Over the years, the Club has sponsored numerous youth sports teams, funded the construction of a variety of outdoor sports facilities, and hosted an annual bike rodeo and events for challenged youth. The Club's Grand River Bass Derby generated revenue that the Club used to establish The Stanley Park Optimist Natural Area on the Walter Bean Trail. The Club continues to thrive under the Optimist motto of "Friend of Youth" enhancing the lives of youth in the Stanley Park Community and beyond through its programs, events, sponsorships and fundraising.

Awarded with distinction
Tuesday, May 16, 2023
at the
Edelweiss Sports Banquet Hall, Kitchener