

THE BOB ELLARD LEGACY AWARD

APPLICATION DEADLINE – June 1st, 2022

Bob Ellard began rowing in 1966 as a member of the Fort William Rowing Club (now the Thunder Bay Rowing Club). He joined the Winnipeg Rowing Club in 1973 and then in 1977, he moved to Regina with Barb, and his two young children, to further his architectural career as a partner/ owner of IKOY architects. Upon settling in Regina, Bob became heavily involved in competing and coaching with the Regina Rowing Club. He also coached teams at four Western Canada Summer Games, three Jeux du Canada Games teams and at the 1984 World Lightweight Rowing Championships. Over many years, Bob coached athletes who represented the Regina Rowing Club, the Saskatchewan Rowing Association and Rowing Canada at local, provincial, national and international regattas. Bob says that his greatest accomplishment as a coach was to have coached both of his children at the Regina Rowing Club to national and international competition.

As a rower, Bob has won National Championships and Royal Canadian Henley medals as well as several World Masters medals. He is an incredibly devoted and talented professional, athlete, coach and builder. Bob is a selfless man with a tireless willingness to step up whenever there is a job to be done. In his many roles, the common thread has been his intense, sincere and passionate advocacy for sport and his strong desire to grow the rowing community in Regina. He is constantly bringing new people to the sport – many rowers, coaches, volunteers and officials across Canada were 'recruited' by Bob.

As a builder, he served as President of the Winnipeg Rowing Club, Regina Rowing Club, Saskatchewan Rowing Association, and was a board member of Rowing Canada for 11 years (including being President of RCA from 1986-1988). He was VP High Performance for the 1984 Olympic Games and served four years as the Director of the Canadian Olympic Association. He was also chair of the 2005 Jeux Canada Summer Games. In 1981, Bob was the Canadian Domestic Coach of the Year and in 1995 was inducted into the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame in the Builder Category.

Purpose of the Bursary

Each year, \$1000 will be presented to the recipient who best demonstrates Bob's passion for rowing and his commitment to being an ambassador for the sport locally, provincially and nationally. Candidates should be seeking funding to support their further rowing, coaching or officiating endeavors and to achieve their goals of representing Saskatchewan and Canada at major competitions. At the discretion of the committee, the bursary could be split between deserving applicants.

Eligibility

Applicants for the Bob Ellard Legacy Award must be full or associate registered members of the Saskatchewan Rowing Association who have demonstrated a commitment to representing their local club and the provincial association at major regattas (Jeux du Canada Games, Canadian Henley, Canadian Secondary Schools Rowing Association Championship Regatta, etc.). The bursary is awarded annually at the discretion of the selection committee, is a one-time award for any successful applicant, and may not be awarded if there are no suitable candidates in any given year.

Selection of recipients will be determined by the following criteria:

- Applicant's rowing background and performance (on and off water, history of representing club, province and nation)
- Applicant's role as an ambassador for our sport and our province
- Intended use of funds towards applicant's specific and general sport performance goals
- Demonstration of applicant's involvement within their home club and/or the rowing community at large

The members of the selection committee are:

- Andrea Bundon
- Rob Currie
- Brie Ellard-Jedlic

Governance

This document can be amended by the members of the selection committee in any manner deemed appropriate, with the approval of any two of the three committee members

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APPLICATION FORM

PERSONAL & CONTACT INFORMATION

Name: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____
Email: _____
RCA Registration #: _____
Club Affiliation(s): _____

ROWING HISTORY (Limit 200 words).

Please provide a summary of your rowing experience and accomplishments to date.

ROWING GOALS (Limit 200 words).

Please describe and outline your contributions as an ambassador for our sport, your club and the Saskatchewan Rowing Association

INTENDED USE OF BURSARY (Limit 200 words).

Please outline how this bursary would assist you to achieve your sport goals. Make specific reference to how the funds will be spent.

OTHER FUNDING

List any other funding you are receiving from Rowing Canada Scholarships, Bursaries or Rowing Canada carding.

PERSONAL STATEMENTS

1. Describe a personal rowing success and why this accomplishment is memorable for you (Limit 500 words).
2. Describe a personal challenge you encountered as an athlete and how/if you overcame it (Limit 200 words).

REFERENCES: Please provide:

- One (1) letter from a character reference supporting your application
- One (1) letter from a reference that can speak to your current abilities and your ability to develop as an athlete, coach or official through use of bursary funds.

REFERENCE #1

Name: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____
Email: _____
Relationship to applicant: _____

REFERENCE #2

Name: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____
Email: _____
Relationship to applicant: _____

SUBMIT COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO THE SELECTION COMMITTEE BY EMAIL:

c/o Brie Ellard-Jedlic
bjedlic@sasktel.net

*Please ensure all documents (including documents of reference) are included in your email. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.