TORONTO ULTIMATE CLUB 30TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

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WELCOME TO THE TUC 30TH ANNIVERSARY GALA!

Presented by VC Ultimate & Steam Whistle Master of Ceremonies - Emmanuel Belliveau



WORD FROM TUC

The 30th Anniversary Gala celebrates outstanding leaders and achievements in Toronto Ultimate. Ten remarkable pioneers will be honoured for their contributions to our inspiring Club and this great sport. Our memorabilia section will spotlight some notable TUC history and showcase a few items that are sure to bring back some classic memories.

We will honour our 2010 Volunteer of the Year as well as several key volunteers who have contributed to TUC's growing success in 2010. In addition, we are pleased to present the premiere of our documentary film, '30 Years in 30 minutes' directed by Otto Chung.

The Club would like to give its warmest thanks to the individuals who are responsible for organizing our 30th Anniversary Outdoor Celebration, our 30th Anniversary Gala and the inaugural Hall of Fame inductions. In alphabetical order: Ann Chow, Robin Coster, Matthew Denton, Darren Gray, Sue Holland, Monica Kerr-Coster, James McCully, Greg Schmidt, Vikki Shimoda, and Michael Solway. In addition, we would like to thank key individuals such as lan Brooks, Otto Chung, John Hurlbut, Shawn Irvine, Ed Kung, Craig Stephen and Kinnalt Yu, who also made important contributions to these events. For our entertainment this evening we must extend our gratitude to Emmanuel Belliveau, Steve Canning, Lisa Di Diodato, Graeme Donnelly, Chris Hayward, Greg Heard, Peyton Leung, Dave Morris and Larry Yuan. Finally we'd like to thank the many volunteers who have: assisted on site, submitted nominations or materials and transcribed videos; not to mention the icons of TUC, who allowed themselves to be interviewed for the video, and our Club partners who have supported us along the way. Our Club is truly blessed to have such great company.

WE HOPE YOU ENJOY YOUR EVENING!



EVENT SCHEDULE

7:00pm Doors Open

7:30pm Reception and Drinks

7:30pm-8:15pm Welcome - Dinner is served

8:15pm-9:15pm Hall of Fame Ceremonies and Awards - Dessert is served

9:15pm-9:45pm Premiere of the TUC film: 30 Years in 30 Minutes

9:45pm-10:00pm Final Words & Thanks

10:00pm-10:45pm The Fires Of (TUC band) - 1st Set

10:45pm-11:15pm DJ Dance Party

11:15pm-12:00am The Fires Of - 2nd Set

12:00am-1:00am DJ dance Party **1:00am** Event Concludes

MENU

FRESH SALAD BAR:

A medley of greens, veggies and cheeses complimented by your choice of glazed salmon, grilled chicken and/or gourmet toppings such as toasted walnuts, capers and mandarin segments. Choice of dressing includes: Blue Cheese, Oriental Sesame Oil & Soya Vinaigrette, Marigolds & Onions famous specialty house.

Freshly baked rolls served with creamery butter.

PASTA STATION:

A variety of delicious pastas including bowties with sun dried tomato sauce, penne with pesto Bolognese sauce and cheese stuffed medallions with roasted garlic cream sauce. Additional offerings include: house made garlic bread, oven-baked pizza and fresh Caesar salad.

THE CUTTING EDGE:

Offers a selection of gourmand meats including Peppercorn Encrusted Flat Iron Beef and Rocky Mountain Salmon, served with roast potatoes, wild mushroom risotto, mixed veggies and an assortment of tasty condiments.

DESSERT STATION:

Two flavours of TUC 30th Anniversary slab cake, coffee and tea.

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TUC HALL OF FAME 2010 INDUCTEES



KEN WESTERFIELD BUILDER

Known as 'The Legend', Ken Westerfield started playing disc sports in Michigan in the 1960's and came to Toronto in the early 1970's. Ken and his friend Jim Kenner (founder of Discraft) ran the first ever Canadian GUTS and Distance competition at the C.N.E. in 1974, adding Freestyle in 1975. Ken was a world-level freestyler and disc golfer and he traveled throughout the globe with his Frisbee, winning numerous tournaments and performing at various events. He consistently challenged world records, including setting the record for Maximum Time Aloft in 1975, joining the exclusive '400 Club' in 1977 (Distance throw of 444 feet), and during a demonstra-

In the late 1970's Ken discovered the game of Ultimate in the USA and brought it to Toronto. He introduced the game at Kew Beach to an initial core of people, and from there, planted the seed for Ultimate Frisbee in Toronto. He created pickup and the establishment of the 'Toronto Ultimate League' (4 teams) beginning in 1980. In the mid 80's, the gentle giant (in his 40's) decided that he wanted to tour and joined the young touring team Darkside. Ken toured for a number of years until foot injuries forced the sidelining of his passion. But as all of the young group of men he played with will testify, he is remembered best for his easy going and boyish love of the game, while continuing to excel in his ability to play at the highest levels.

tion in 1978 he beat the world record for distance, by throwing 552 feet.

JIM LIM BUILDER

In 1979 James Lim was one of the original people to give birth to Ultimate in Toronto and helped to organize the first Toronto Ultimate League through to 1985. Jim, as he is well known, was a member of the very first team Beaches and was captain of every team stemming from the Beaches team, leading all the way to today's team Hot Cousins. Jim has been a proud member of the Club every year, including when he was overseas.

Jim joined the TUL/TUC Board of Directors in the late 1980's and was a key member of the Organizing Committee for TUC's hosting of the 1991 WFDF Worlds in Toronto. His historic volunteer record ranges from tirelessly teaching school kids, to helping at tourneys, assisting the league operations, demonstration games, television broadcasting, helping at the Toronto Nationals and TUT Tournaments and formulating a TUC Found Fields Policy, to creating and designing the very first version of the Pie Plate in 1992.

Jim played in all the Can-Am matches that were part of the Canadian Open Frisbee Championships, and represented Toronto on touring teams from 1986 through to 2004 (winning Nationals in 1986). He also coached Ruby Cruz in 2003-04. Jim has played continuously in Toronto since 1979 and is known as a forefather of Ultimate in Toronto.

CHRISTOPHER LOWCOCK BUILDER

Chris Lowcock was first introduced to disc sports by his brother Les, who was the Canadian University Freestyle Champ in 1978. By 1980 he was deeply immersed into the Toronto Ultimate League and furthered the organization in several areas, including acquiring a permit at Rosehill Reservoir; which has been a fixture in TUC leagues for 25 years. He acted as President of the TUL all the way through to 1991, when he assumed the role as Events Director for the 1991 World Ultimate Club Championships in Toronto, setting the gold standard for tournaments in the years to follow.



Chris served on the World Flying Disc Federation Board, representing Canada from 1984 to 92. He formed DISCANADA in 1985 to seek government support for disc sports and to advocate for disc sports. In 1988 he helped lay the groundwork for CUPA as well as ran CUC's. In 2004-05, Chris served as the GM for TUC, helping the Club grow to over 3000 members. Chris was instrumental in forming the Ontario Disc Sports Association and in 2006, took on the role of President; eventually becoming Executive Director.

As a player, Chris competed in the WFDF Disc Golf World Championships in 1984, '85, and '88, and once held the longest 'Hole In One' record for WFDF disc golf championships at 354 feet. Chris represented Team Canada in both GUTS and Ultimate and competed at the WFDF World Championships in 1984, '86, '88 - '91, and '08, with two silver medals in GUTS. In Toronto he played on Agent Orange, which was a top team in the mid-80's and went on to win league in 1988 as Clockwork Orange. Chris also competed on Darkside, which won the first sanctioned National Championships in 1987.

JOHN HARRIS BUILDER

John Harris came to Toronto in 1989 and immediately joined Seven Deadly Sins, Dr. Gravity and the Big Kahunas. He also toured (and captained) continuously from 1989 – 2006 with Toronto teams such as Zero Tolerance, Surrender Dorothy, B.A.D., Too Bad, and Aged to Perfection. John is known widely for his contagious Spirit (he wrote the 5-Step How-To Guide on Spirit of the Game) and his handling dexterity, but where John has made his largest impact, is as a Builder of the Club.



In terms of the sheer volume of volunteer work throughout the 1990's, John's contribution is immeasurable. In 1992 he first served as the Secretary for TUC and from there his roles multiplied. He served as Touring Director in 1993-94, Fields Coordinator from 1995-97, Spring Clinics Coordinator 1995 - 2003, Treasurer in 2000, and GM from 2001-03. As a primary bookkeeper for TUC, John was instrumental in validating and organizing TUC's finances. His belief in 'ultimate for all' drove him to identify and acquire permits for unused green spaces throughout the City. He paved the way for more teams and players at a time when TUC was growing exponentially.

John served as Tournament Director for the Toronto Ultimate Tournament (TUT) from 1994 -96 and again from 1998 - 2004, as well as many Eastern University (7) & National (6) University Championships. Not to mention his role as TD for CUC's in Toronto in 1996! This involved hundreds of hours and countless personal sacrifices. John Harris was the 'ultimate' volunteer for TUC.

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ALEX HUGHES PLAYER

Arriving on the beach one day in the early 80's with his patented, 'Hey Y'All!' Alex Hughes was a Freestyler, pro disc golfer and an amazing ultimate player. He brought his talents to various league teams (Beaches, Island Worms, Sally Ann, Get a Grip, Synergy), winning 3 League titles. Alex was exceptionally strong in all facets of the game (throws, cuts, bids, sky's) but he was particularly known for his jumping ability - which initially earned him the nickname 'Sky King,' which morphed into 'Sky Dog' and stuck for good.

Alex represented Canada at the World Championships in 1984 and was part of the Darkside squad that won the first CUC's in 1987. He participated on 4 National Teams in total, participating in both Ultimate and GUTS. Alex continued to tour for Toronto until 2000, when he returned to the Lone Star state.

One of the early ambassadors of the game at the juniors level, Alex visited many schools (when no one else would) and wowed youngsters with his skills. He was extremely influential in introducing the sport to Phys-Ed teachers and developing a school ultimate program, and selflessly devoted his time to TUC leagues and tournaments.

While the Sky Dog was known for many years as the unequivocal 'best' player around, he was equally known for his spirit—always complimenting and encouraging his opponents. Despite that competitive fire, Alex would never make it personal and would always respect his opponent's call.

GILLIAN SCARFE PLAYER

Known as one of the most intense and athletic female players to ever hit the Toronto scene, Gillian Scarfe began playing in 1987 with a league team called Big Dogs. In 1989 she joined the touring team See Jane Run and led the team to a 4-year National Championship domination. See Jane Run was unstoppable from 1989 - 1992, and Gillian was credited for bringing a level of athleticism to the team that made it a dynasty, as well as elevating the women's game overall.

Gillian was the first Canadian female to participate in the US (UPA) Nationals in 1991. Following the breakup of See Jane Run in 1993, she joined the Ottawa team Horizontelle and helped them win the National Championship as well as place 3rd at the World Championships. In 1994 she joined the Toronto open touring team PAM! (at the age of 30) and easily held her ground with the competitive males. In 1995 and 1996 Gillian led two rebuilding women's teams (Layout Sisters and Game Face) to the National Finals. Gillian also participated in the 1990 and 1996 World Championships (5th place finishes).

Her intensity as a player, captain, and coach was unmatched and simply put, Gillian dominated the competition for nearly a decade. She was a very tactical and knowledgeable coach, who quickly earned the respect of her teammates. Gillian demanded that her teammates strive to play their personal best, and she led by example. This on-field persona was so fierce in fact, that her final touring team 'Game Face' was named after her!

DAN JEDRZEJEK PLAYER

Dan Jedrzejek started playing Ultimate in 1991 and by the mid-90's was known as one of the best players in Toronto. He was a 2-time Canadian National Team Selection (1994 & 1996) and helped lead Team Canada to a Bronze medal in 1994. He played at 9 consecutive Canadian National Championships and was a two-time finalist in 1991 and 1996. He was also a two-time TUC League Champion with Ultimate High (1993 – Finals MVP and 1995) and played with top-level team Hot Cousins for several years.



In 1998 Dan was a co-founder and leader of the Toronto touring open team YES. YES was a strong team at Nationals for several years, and led to the formation of GOAT, who won the National title in 2002. Unfortunately Danny did not get to play on GOAT as he was forced to retire after the 1999 Nationals, due to injury.

Dan was a legendary player during his era. He was lighting quick and could close in on the disc from anywhere. He had the amazing ability to not only layout and make amazing defensive plays, but also to hold on to the disc and get up and make a throw for a score. In nearly every game he played, Danny would produce an awe-inspiring sky or d-bid that took your breath away, plays you would normally see once or twice a year from anyone else. He had the rare ability to turn the momentum of any game around and his teammates fed off the immense energy he brought to the field.

MONICA KERR-COSTER PLAYER

Ageless. Tenacious. Poised. Huge layout grabs. In the 1990's through the 2000's, Monica Kerr-Coster was undoubtedly one of the strongest female players in the country. She had every throw, understood the complexities and strategy of the game, was a strong defender and displayed the best layout of any female player.

Monica became obsessed with Ultimate by 1994, playing league and joining the women's touring team Layout Sisters. She played in 14 Canadian National Championships total, reaching the finals 8 times and twice winning gold. Monica has also played in 7 US (UPA) Nationals (twice winning Spirit of the Game Awards) and the World Club Championships in 1997. She starred as captain, coach, and player on high level teams such as Game Face, Urge, Lotus and Capitals. Her league teams included Purple Haze, Bug Red, and Guanxi (2005 Champions).

Monica was always selflessly supporting TUC feeder teams and juniors programs. She helped guide DIRT in 2007, served on the Board of Directors for two years, and was the Women's Touring Chair for 4 years. Monica was a major proponent of the gender switch from 5:2 to 4:3 in the late 1990's. She strongly advocated for the expansion of women's ultimate in Toronto by bolstering ladies' touring, hosting numerous female clinics, gathering petitions, advertising for players, and by physically linking new female players to teams. Along with her athletic prowess, she embodied a calm Spirit and warmth that made every experience with her fun and memorable. Monica was an inspiring mentor to many young players, and is still one of the most influential people in TUC touring history.

JOANNE GALLAGHER SPECIAL MERIT

The great gal affectionately known as 'Momma Jo', Joanne Gallagher started playing disc golf on the island in 1981, and it soon led to her playing Ultimate at Kew Beach. She was the original female player for Toronto Ultimate and was ever-present throughout its history as an Ultimate player and world level disc golfer.

Jo competed at the WFDF Disc Golf Championships in 1985 (placing 5th) and tied for 1st Place in the 'Overall' Division in the 1989 WFDF World Championships. In 1991 she received a tournament award for 'Friendliest and Most Spirited Player'.

As a touring player she attended 10 National Ultimate Championships and in 1997 she competed in three major tournaments in three weeks: Nationals in Victoria, World Club Championships in Vancouver, and the WFDF World Masters Overall Championships where she finished tied for 1st.

Jo was a major advocate for the gender ratio conversion to 4:3 in the midlate 90's, assisting with women's clinics, forming petitions, and through her own ability showing how impactful female players could be on the field. She would consistently participate on new co-ed teams each year, in an effort to meet new people and share her positive outlook on life.

In a sport dominated by men, Jo was highly influential in paving the way for future generations of female players. Her longevity in the sport is remarkable, not only as a strong player, but as a spirited individual who has impacted the lives of many Ultimate players in Toronto.

HARRY BURKMAN SPECIAL MERIT

Harry first formed the Big Kahunas in 1991, who are arguably the longest continuing team in TUC history (20th season in 2010). He has been at the helm of every season for the Kahunas, as well as his fall team Red October (winner of 8 Fall League titles and Finalist every year). In 2007 the Sunday Fall Trophy was named after Harry's dogs, Barley & Hops, in recognition of his services to the Club.

Always the consummate captain and coach, Harry formed the open touring team Big Aerial Dynamite in 1994. BAD went 8-1 at Nationals in 1995, and then became known as Too Bad in 1996.

Too Bad is the longest continuous touring team in Canadian history, celebrating 17 years in 2010. The team has participated in 15 National Championships (capturing the Spirit Award in 2005 and 2007) and 4 World Clubs to date. A long list of ultimate heroes have played on Too Bad and Harry has helped mould many young talents along the way.

Harry has volunteered hundreds of hours to the TUC since 1992. He was a League Director for 3 years (1999-95) and served on the TUC Board for 2 years. Harry was monumental in helping the Club file for incorporation in 1995 and to establish a set of governing By-Laws for both TUC & CUPA in 2005, graciously acting as legal adviser for TUC ever since. Harry's footprint on the development of ultimate players in Toronto has been astounding and his contributions to the Club and the sport have been immense, widespread, and invaluable.



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30 YEARS IN 30 MINUTES: A TUC DOCUMENTARY

In January 2009 the seed was planted. Can we create a document that tracks the history of the Club and recognizes its milestone people and achievements? We approached Otto Chung, longtime TUC player and video-man extraordinaire - Otto had previously produced several commercials for the Club, filmed numerous tournaments and league finals, and was very successful in the television industry. Without even getting to the sales pitch, Otto was in. Why? Because he loves Ultimate and he loves TUC. Otto set forth, for the next 20 months, interviewing TUC icons, collecting data, editing footage, attending countless meetings, and eventually producing a masterpiece documentary. TUC would like to thank Otto for his selfless devotion to the Club and for this legendary film that he has created!





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