

CARLTON CHAMBERS

Canada has a rich history of producing some of the world's greatest sprinters. One of them was Carlton Chambers who burst on the international scene in 1994 when he set a 100 metres national junior record in 10.30 seconds.

That was a prelude of greater things to come for the Toronto-born athlete who trained with the Brampton Track Club in 1992. To this day, Carlton still holds the national high school Canadian record in the 100 metres, with a time of 10.41 seconds.

Following that record run in 1994 Chambers was selected to represent the country in the 4x100-metre relay team at the World Junior Championships and later at the Commonwealth Games in Victoria, B.C. He teamed up with Eric Frempong, Dave Tomling and Chris Robinson to win bronze at the World Juniors and then strike gold at the Commonwealth Games in Victoria, B.C. with legendary icons Donovan Bailey, Bruny Surin and Glenroy Gilbert.

The Canadian quartet kept winning medals in meets around the world but no one expected any foursome to even come close to the powerful Americans in the sprint relay at the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta. In the build up to the Games Chambers kept turning in some fast times at Clemson University recording a personal best of 10.19 seconds finishing fourth in the 100m and sixth in the 200m with a time of 20.62 seconds at the NCAA Championships. In the prelims and semi-finals of the 4x100m relay in muggy Atlanta, with Chambers leading off, Canada posted the second fastest times behind the Americans right through to the semifinals. But Chambers' hopes of competing in the final were dashed when he pulled a groin muscle in the 200 metres qualifier and was replaced by Robert Esmie.

Waving a Canadian flag and cheering his teammates from the stands, Chambers watched as Canada (Esmie, Gilbert, Bailey and Surin) went on to silence the highly-favoured Americans. After the race Chambers's teammates ran over to congratulate him. Chambers said at the time that, "they always made me feel part of the team. It was a five-man team, not a four-man team." He received his gold medal with the rest of the squad.

"What Carlton did was unselfish," Gilbert told The Ottawa Citizen. "You are at the Olympic Games – the biggest stage you will get to in our sport – and for him to step aside and say, 'Look, I'm injured,' most people wouldn't say that. Most people, if they were injured, they wouldn't tell you. They would try and run through it – and that would have cost us." Earlier, of course, Bailey had sprung a bigger shock by breaking the world 100 metres record on his golden run. The golden double is considered one of Canada's greatest triumphs in national sports history.

Chambers hasn't forgotten the joy and fame the sport gave him so he has turned to inspiring and encouraging young athletes as a coach with the Peel Gazelles Track Club.

Chambers says he relishes watching young athletes train, develop and stay engaged in a sport that keeps them focused and motivated to try hard and persevere. In Carlton's own words, "It is a rewarding experience to help young athletes, that's what it's all about."

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PAUL STALTERI

Paul Stalteri will go down in the annals of Canadian soccer history as one of the country's best players. He captained the national team on 30 of the 84 times he played. He is the second highest capped player behind Julian de Guzman who recently broke Stalteri's record.

The 5-foot-11 wiry right back is another in a string of fine soccer players who learned and played the game in Brampton on his way to gaining international honours. Stalteri was a versatile player who was equally at home as a striker, midfielder and a defender. But he eventually settled at right back where he found success for both club and country.

Winning the Gold Cup with Coach Holger Osieck's squad in 2000 was the highlight of his international career and his exploits didn't go unnoticed as the Canadian Soccer Association named him Canadian Male Player of the Year in 2001 and 2004. Stalteri earned his first senior cap as a 19-year-old when he came on in the second half of an exhibition against Iran on August 17, 1997. Before his elevation to the national squad Stalteri enjoyed a remarkable run with the country's junior national squads – and represented Canada in both the under-17 and under-20 World Cup. He was a member of the under-20 team that defeated the United States 2-0 to cart home the CONCACAF under-20 championships in 1996. Stalteri played his last international game at the age of 32 on October 8, 2010 in a 2-2 tie with Ukraine.

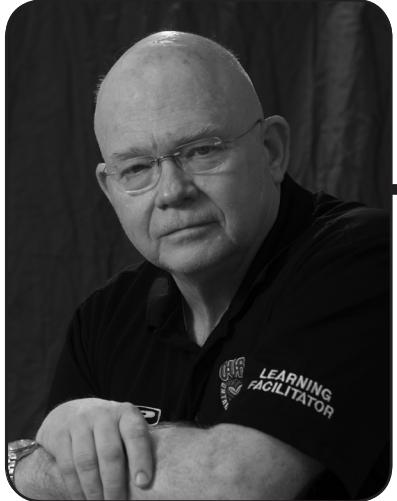
He had a solid international career but it paled in comparison with what he achieved at the club level in Europe. He launched his professional career with the Toronto Lynx in 1997. Scouts from German club Werder Bremen noticed the young tenacious player and offered him a tryout in the fall of 1997. He impressed while on trial and Werder Bremen exercised his buyout clause in his contract to take him to Europe. He was a weekly fixture with the Werder Bremen reserve team until 2000 when he made his first team debut and scored in his first Bundesliga game. In 2003/2004 he enjoyed his greatest season as a professional. He was a member of a star-studded Bremen team that for the first time in their history won the prestigious "Double" - the Bundesliga crown and the DFB-Pokal Cup. A year later England's Tottenham Hotspur signed the versatile Canadian and he had a standout season, but just missed out on a Champions League spot.

In 2008, he was loaned to fellow-London club Fulham that was coached by current England coach Roy Hodgson. After a successful stint with Fulham, Stalteri returned to Germany for a spell with Borussia Mönchengladbach who were looking to avoid relegation. Again, he was an integral part of the team that fought back in the second half of the season to remain in the Bundesliga. Injuries started taking their toll on the 5-foot-11 defender and after 16 years as a professional, Stalteri, the only Canadian International to win a Bundesliga crown, called it a day.

He may have retired as a player, but the 38-year-old is back on the international scene as head coach of the Canadian Men's Under 17 Team.

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RICHARD (RICK) McARTHUR

Richard (Rick) McArthur began making a mark on the Brampton volleyball scene in 1984 with his involvement in the game at Mayfield Secondary School and simultaneously co-founding the Peel Selects Volleyball Club with Christine Craig. He was head coach of this elite level program from 1984 to 2000. The club won multiple Ontario Volleyball Association (OVA) championships and several National Championships.

He also coached at Gordon Graydon Memorial Secondary School and Mayfield Secondary School in the Peel District School Board, from 1980 to 2009 where he established himself as one of the most successful girls' high school coaches in Ontario by winning five provincial gold and two bronze medals at OFSAA championships. In 1992, the OVA honoured him by naming him Coach of the Year. Rick coached the Ontario Provincial Team to a gold medal finish at the Canada Games in Sherbrooke, Quebec.

McArthur was responsible for opening the doors to U.S. scholarships for promising student athletes from Brampton who he trained and developed. In 1992, 25% of the starters in the NCAA Division 1 semi-final had played for Rick, two from Ohio State and one from Stanford. Several former players have played for the Canadian National Team, both men's and women's, played in professional leagues in Europe and on the Federation Internationale de Volleyball beach tour.

He also trained and mentored several excellent coaches and is known for his innovative and creative ways to teach the sport. In 2008, he opened the Victory Volleyball Academy in Brampton, which offered adult leagues, tutoring, private and semi-private training, clinics as well as camps. Following the closing of the Victory complex, Rick started Hot Shots Volleyball Training to continue offering camps and private tutoring to motivated youth in the community.

McArthur has also helped develop programs in Brampton schools by running coaching clinics for teachers coaching volleyball. He was also the head clinician for the Brampton Volleyball Club where he ran dozens of player clinics for adults playing in the second largest adult league in North America. He is highly sought after as a coach for clinics and private tutoring and he continues to be involved in local community programs.

Rick is currently the Technical Director of the Etobicoke Titans Volleyball Club and enjoys the honour and privilege of working with over a hundred girls each year, helping them to achieve their volleyball goals and dreams.

Rick thanks the many outstanding coaches and parents who were so instrumental in building the sport of volleyball in Brampton and the Region of Peel. He also thanks all the former players. The players, each and every one of them, provided him with the opportunity to help them achieve their full potential as players and, hopefully, those lessons carried over to the rest of their lives. He hopes that he positively impacted their lives and he knows that they impacted his.

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PAT NICHOLLS

Pat Nicholls played a number of sports in school, including hockey and basketball but it wasn't until her son Chris took up hockey that she became involved with the Chinguacousy Minor Hockey Association as a volunteer. It was the start of an amazing rise up the ranks of the game as an administrator.

Pat then became an active volunteer with the Brampton Canadettes Girls Hockey Association on her daughter, Cindy's team, in the late 1980s. Nicholls tirelessly worked as a volunteer with the executive of the association and became Tournament Director of the Brampton Canadettes Dominion Ladies Hockey Tournament in 1988. Pat secured sponsors and worked tirelessly to attract record number of teams for the annual tournament. Through her hard work the Canadettes found themselves on a sound financial footing and the profits supported not only the overall operations of the Canadettes but also helped keep hockey affordable for young girls.

Pat first became involved with the Ontario Women's Hockey Association (OWHA) as a representative of the Canadettes. Her contributions as an OWhA District Rep and Committee Member quickly expanded as she was elected to the Provincial Board of Directors in 1995 as Central Ontario Regional Director moving on to the elected position of Vice Chair. From there she was hired to work full time for the OWhA and is currently its Director of Operations.

Pat has served on multiple international and national Championship Steering and Management Committees. She was on the Steering Committee of the 2000 International Ice Hockey Federation (IIHF) Women's World Hockey Championship, 2002 and 2006 Four Nations Cup, the 2013 IIHF Women's World Hockey Championship and the 2016 IIHF U18 Women's World Hockey Championship.

Pat was also on the Steering Committee of the 2002 and 2005 Esso Women's National Championships, the 2007 and 2008 National U18 Championships, the 2014 Female National Midget Championship and the 2015 National Women's U18 Championship.

In all her roles, Pat is determined to provide positive hockey and life experiences for all participants and she always puts the players first. She exemplifies strong positive values, is a great team player and is always giving credit to others.

Her contributions have had an incredible and powerful impact on the growth and development of female hockey in Brampton, Ontario, Canada and Internationally.

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