

PRAIRIE BASEBALL ACADEMY

2026 MEDIA GUIDE



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Welcome Prairie Baseball Academy fans and supporters to the 2026 season!

PBA has come a long way since establishment in 1995 and we have our supporters to thank for where we are now. With 10 championship titles over the past 30 years PBA boasts one of the longest-tenured baseball schools in Alberta teaching student athletes about the sport and about life. As technology and methodology continues to evolve, PBA has been evolving to ensure we remain as a top tier academy.



Playing collegiate baseball for these young men is a demanding, formative experience that extends far beyond the diamond, acting as a bridge between high school sports and adulthood. It represents a commitment to high-level competition, academic responsibility, and personal character development. It is often described as a 24/7, year-round job that fosters discipline, teamwork, and resilience while providing opportunities for higher education and playing opportunities.

The game is faster, and players must adapt to rigorous training schedules with fall and spring seasons. Many of which also participate in summer leagues.

We have a long and storied history of excellence on the field, off the field and in the classroom. Many of our student-athletes have gone on to post-secondary institutions in the United States on scholarships for their athletic careers and even more have gone on to successful business careers which provides a positive impact on every community they are a part of.

These young men show up day after day and put in the work required to be successful, whether it be in the classroom or training at the field. Players are students first, managing study schedules alongside practice, travel and games. Playing collegiate baseball forces athletes to master time management, prioritize tasks and operate on strict schedules. Congratulations goes to these young men and the coaching staff at PBA. Thank you for setting an example our youth can look up to. An even bigger thanks goes towards the community support we continue to receive year after year. Without the support of our communities, PBA would not be where it is today and most definitely would not be able to sustain the world class program it has become.

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All of our community partners have helped mold PBA into the top development program for collegiate baseball players in the country. Whether it be through supporting our annual golf tournament, annual banquet, through scholarship donations, our strong alumni engagement or our youth camps, everyone that has or still supports the PBA holds a special place in our hearts.

Thank you so very much for all our supporters do for the program. We are proud to all wear the A and are especially grateful for our educational partners, Lethbridge College and the University of Lethbridge.



Our long list of alumni accomplishments throughout all of Canada is evident of the special relationships we have with our educational partners. Every Alumni is a vital part of the communities they now reside and have had an incredible economic impact throughout Canada and even into the USA.

PBA will continue to excel on the field, in the classroom and through mentoring the youth in our communities. We look forward to continuing our success as the team prepares for the 2026 season.

Earn the A!

Rob Greeno, Chairman Prairie Baseball Academ

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RANDY RUFF 2026 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy & Alumni Association is proud to induct Randy Ruff into the PBA Hall of Fame for 2025.

Randy Ruff grew up in Warburg, a small town in Central Alberta, where he spent his early years playing baseball and hockey. In 1977, hockey brought him to Southern Alberta, where he played for the Taber Golden Suns and later the Lethbridge Broncos of the Western Hockey League. Though injuries cut his hockey career short, Randy continued to give back to the sport, coaching minor hockey until 1989.

While hockey may have brought Randy south, it was baseball that kept him here. From 1990 to 2010, if there was a baseball organization in Lethbridge, Randy was involved. He coached Little League for a decade and served on several key boards,

including: Lethbridge American Legion Baseball, where he was President for four years. Henderson Stadium Society, where he played a vital role in securing funding for the renovation of Spitz Stadium and Prairie Baseball Academy, where he served as Vice President.

Randy was the kind of person you went to when something needed to get done. His signature phrase—“Leave that to me”—was all you needed to hear to know it would be handled.

At PBA, Randy was instrumental in fundraising for the annual golf tournament, securing sponsorships and donation, providing summer jobs for players, emceeing the PBA banquet for multiple years, and—of course—selling raffle tickets. If you ever bought one from Randy, you knew it was a two-ticket minimum!

We thank Randy for his decades of dedication to baseball in the Lethbridge. His contributions have left a lasting legacy, and we are honored to welcome him into the PBA Hall of Fame.

Congratulations, Randy.



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DYLAN HOLTON 2026 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

Dylan Holton is originally from Nova Scotia, and now resides in Ottawa, Ontario with his wife and four children.

Dylan began his university baseball journey in 2005 at the Prairie Baseball Academy, where he developed the foundation that propelled him to the next level. He was later recruited to Mount Olive College, where he and his teammates captured the 2008 NCAA National Championship. To this day, Dylan is still remembered for one of the most iconic moments in Mount Olive Baseball history; a bases-clearing three-run double that secured their National Championship victory.

After his baseball career, Dylan followed another lifelong passion: music. His talent and drive led him to sign a record deal in Los Angeles, where he spent nearly a

decade touring the world and sharing his music with audiences everywhere.

Today, Dylan has become a serial entrepreneur and now channels his creativity and storytelling into his media agency, Capital Content Inc, based in Ottawa. Through videography, photography, and professional keynote speaking, he helps organizations and individuals discover, reignite, and live their passions; a philosophy that continues to guide every chapter of his journey.

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MIKE KICIA 2026 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

Mike Kicia began his collegiate career in the Fall of 2003 at Prairie Baseball Academy. He played one year of Junior Varsity and one year of Varsity at PBA before transferring to Mount Olive College in the Winter of 2006.

While at Mount Olive, Mike was fortunate enough to help Mount Olive to 3 consecutive Conference Carolinas Championships, culminating with the NCAA DII National Championship in 2008 where the team went 58-6.

After his playing career, Mike graduated and went on to become a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist and spent 11 years of his career as a Strength and Conditioning coach working in Professional Baseball. He has worked with both the Miami Marlins and more recently, 9 years with the New York Yankees. Mike spent his

last 4 seasons with the Yankees, coordinating the rehabilitation of both acute and chronic injuries, with players in both the Major and Minor Leagues. He also assisted in the implementation of numerous strength and conditioning camps and had the opportunity to work 8 Major League Spring Trainings.

Mike has returned back to his hometown of Edmonton, Alberta where he currently holds the role of Health and Performance Coordinator for Acumen Performance and Reconditioning, a private orthopedic surgery clinic and performance facility. Mike has a wife (Annie) daughter (Blake) and son (Graham).

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DAVID COOPER 2026 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

My collegiate baseball journey began in 2003 at Prairie Baseball Academy, where I played two years of varsity ball. I then had the incredible opportunity to transfer to Mount Olive College and play under PBA alumnus and Hall of Famer Rob Watt. That chapter culminated in winning the 2008 NCAA Division II National Championship, a moment I'll never forget.

That same year I was drafted by the Arizona Diamondbacks and spent six seasons playing professional baseball across the minors and independent leagues. Through it all, one quote stuck with me "The only place success comes before work is in the dictionary" and PBA instilled my work ethic, which carried me through my baseball career.

PBA also emphasized the importance of education, inspiring me to earn both my

BSc and MBA — achievements that continue to benefit me in my professional life today.

Grateful for the journey, the mentors, and the memories. Honored to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

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TODD HUBKA 2025 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy is thrilled to announce Todd Hubka will be the sole inductee into the PBA Hall of Fame for the Class of 2025. Coach Hubka, or "Coach Hub" as he's known to many, has been a vital part of this program since its early days—joining in all but the very first year of PBA's existence. In many ways, Coach Hubka is PBA.

Throughout his career, Coach Hubka has dedicated himself to helping student athletes not only excel at the game, but also earn an education and become productive members of society. The values he has instilled—such as a blue-collar work ethic, the drive to get 1% better every day, and the commitment to outwork the competition both on and off the field are the same values that have fueled PBA's long-standing success. These principles will continue to inspire and guide future

generations of PBA athletes in achieving their goals and dreams.

Where do you even begin to capture the impact of a man who has done so much? Todd Hubka's journey as both a player and coach is nothing short of remarkable. As a young ballplayer, Todd grew up playing in Claresholm, Alberta, before moving on to the Fort Macleod American Legion Program. It was during his time in Fort Macleod that Todd met Rocky Musgraves, an American coach brought in to lead the Legion program. Todd has often spoken about the profound influence Rocky had on him—not just as a player, but as a coach later in life.

With Rocky as his mentor, Todd completed his time with Fort Macleod and moved on to the collegiate level where he played at North Idaho College in 1989-90. Although Todd received offers to continue his college baseball career, he ultimately chose a different path. Todd continued to play the game he loved by joining the Oyen Pronghorns of the Saskatchewan Major Baseball League (now Western Canadian Baseball League). The Oyen teams were powerhouse squads, filled with former and future standout college players. Coach Hubka, a left-handed first baseman with a powerful bat, could also pitch when needed. During his time with Oyen, the team won two SMBL Championships.

It was in Oyen that Todd forged a connection that would shape the rest of his life. While playing for the Pronghorns, Todd lived with Mr. Doug Jones, a 2020 inductee



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into the PBA Hall of Fame. Doug became a mentor to Todd, providing him with housing and jobs during his time in Oyen.

As Todd's playing career came to an end, he turned to Doug for advice on his next steps. Doug, who had played a significant role in the founding of the Prairie Baseball Academy, arranged a meeting between Todd and Coach Kubicek. That meeting, a simple interview and handshake at Coach Kubicek's kitchen table, marked the beginning of a relationship that would keep Todd involved with PBA for the next three decades.

The early years at PBA were far from easy. Many doubted that starting a college baseball program in Canada would be successful. But PBA had a visionary group of individuals who helped shape and guide the program to what it is today. Todd was one of those pioneers. He saw the potential of PBA and fully embraced the challenge. In those early years, with a young family to support and limited financial resources, Todd worked multiple jobs, ran weekend camps, and coached his own kids—all while fighting year after year to grow and establish the program.

When the time came to build their own facility, Todd played a crucial role in making it a reality. Lloyd Nolan Yard, the beautiful baseball field PBA calls home, was built by PBA, for PBA. The coaching staff, players, volunteers, and builders all worked together to make the dream come true. Todd vividly remembers spending weeks constructing the outfield

fence, drilling board after board into place, and helping to lay the sod that still graces the field today. Anyone who has spent time at Lloyd Nolan Yard knows what a special place it is. It's a testament to the hard work, dedication, and passion of those involved in its creation—and Todd Hubka is at the heart of it all. Those memories and accomplishments can never be taken away, and they are a source of immense pride for Coach Hubka.

Todd spent the first half of his career at PBA as the assistant to Coach Kubicek. Together, they formed a dynamic partnership that laid the foundation for the program's early success. During those formative years, Todd and Coach Kubicek worked side by side to establish the Junior Varsity program, join the Canadian College Baseball Conference (CCBC), and build the reputation of PBA baseball. Each spring, they made the annual trip to Las Vegas to test their squad against the top junior college programs in the US, while finishing their spring seasons in Canada. During these years it was not uncommon for PBA to send 5-10 players per year to US schools to continue their baseball and academic journeys.

As of today, PBA has sent over 200 athletes to four-year schools in the U.S. Many of these men have gone on to build successful lives and have returned to Lethbridge to start families of their own. This sense of connection and community is a true point of pride for Coach Hubka. While he takes great pride in the on-field success of these young men, what matters



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even more is the kind of men they've become after their playing days, thanks in part to the values and work ethic they learned at PBA. The phone calls and messages he receives from former players, now adults, mean the world to him.

Anyone who knows Coach Hubka well understands that beneath his tough exterior, he is deeply emotional and genuinely cares. He may project a strong, no-nonsense persona, but his loyalty to family, friends, and players runs deep. He's the kind of man who always has his people's backs, willing to go to bat for them no matter the circumstances. It's this unwavering loyalty and genuine care for others that have made Coach Hubka such a beloved figure in the PBA community.

In 2010, Coach Todd Hubka took the helm as the head coach of the Prairie Baseball Academy, marking the beginning of a transformative era for the program. From the outset, Todd worked tirelessly to build a strong coaching staff and lead the team with dedication and conviction. The 10-year stretch from 2010 to 2019 was nothing short of remarkable for PBA. During this period, the team won seven consecutive CCBC Championships, solidifying their status as a dynasty. PBA consistently produced talented players, year after year, and raised the bar for competition in the league. As a result, the league itself has grown and improved, with the number of teams expanding from five in 2010 to nine today. One of the most significant outcomes of PBA's success has been the rise of high

school baseball academies across Alberta. Today, there are nearly a dozen active programs recruiting student-athletes from across the country to play baseball in an academy setting. PBA's model proved that it was possible to develop elite players at the college level—and that vision has now been applied to high school athletes. This model continues to thrive, and one of the most rewarding aspects for Coach Hubka is seeing so many PBA alumni involved in coaching or mentoring within these academies. Many of these former players are now passing on the lessons they learned at PBA to the next generation of baseball players, including their own children.

The legacy of Todd Hubka at PBA is undeniable. Having devoted over half of his life to the program, Coach Hubka's impact is immeasurable. The long hours at the field, weekends and evenings away from family, and the grueling spring bus trips all take a toll. Much of what Coach Hubka does goes unnoticed, and he is the type of person who never seeks praise. His focus has always been on the players and the program, never on personal recognition. Yet, it's time we recognize the immense contribution he has made. Coach Hubka has played a pivotal role in helping hundreds of young men continue their dreams of playing baseball at the college level in Canada and the U.S.

Thank you, Coach Hubka, for your unwavering dedication to PBA, and congratulations on being inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame, Class of 2025.



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ROB GREENO 2024 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy is honoured to induct Rob Greeno into our Hall of Fame.

Rob's baseball journey began in his hometown of Lethbridge, where he played Little League and American Legion baseball. His passion for the game led him to the Prairie Baseball Academy (PBA) in 2002, where he played until 2005, showcasing his talent and dedication to the sport. Following his time at PBA, Rob furthered his education and baseball career at Mayville State University in North Dakota, playing for the Comets and earning a degree in business. Leveraging his academic and athletic experiences, Rob then embarked on a successful professional path, becoming a partner at Asyma Solutions, a firm specializing in financial software in partnership with Sage Software.

Rob's commitment to PBA extended beyond his playing days, as he joined the PBA board in 2010. His involvement has been pivotal in organizing numerous fundraising events, including annual banquets, poker tournaments, and the annual Keith Jorgensen Scholarship golf tournament, contributing significantly to the academy's growth and success. In 2012, he was instrumental in founding the PBA Alumni association, serving as president until 2020. Under his leadership, the association not only raised crucial funds, particularly for scholarships, but also played a key role in reconnecting alumni across Canada.

Rob's tireless volunteer efforts, combined with his roles as a friend, husband, and father, make him an invaluable member of the PBA community and a deserving inductee into our Hall of Fame.

Congratulations to Rob Greeno on being inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 2024!



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ROB WATT 2024 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy is honoured to induct Rob Watt into our Hall of Fame.

Rob Watt's baseball journey, which began in the Chemainus Baseball Association, showcases a remarkable trajectory of growth and success. As a young athlete, he played Little League for Stuart Channel, participating in two Provincial Championships and honing his skills. From ages 13 to 15, he continued to develop his talent in the Babe Ruth league, playing for All Star teams and representing the Mid Island associations. His teenage years saw him excel in the PBL with the Mid Island Canadians, where he competed in several BC Provincial Championships. At 19, Watt took his passion to the next level by joining the Prairie Baseball Academy in Lethbridge, AB, in 1996, where he played until the spring of 1999. This was followed by a successful stint at Wayne State College in

NE, culminating in a senior year as team captain with a 35-10 record and a runner-up finish in the NCAA Regional. Alongside his athletic achievements, Watt completed his degree and later a Master's in Exercise Science, leading into a coaching role. Watt's coaching career, spanning from 2004 to 2018 at UMO, is marked by a string of impressive achievements and contributions to the sport. Under his guidance, teams clinched 10 Conference Tournament Championships, 14 NCAA Tournament Appearances, and a NCAA National Championship. His coaching prowess led to the development of four Major League Baseball players and 32 players drafted or signed to MLB organizations. Furthermore, his mentorship resulted in 38 All Americans, numerous player of the year recipients, and several conference and regional awards.

His commitment to academic and athletic excellence is further highlighted by the 5 Academic All Americans he coached. Watt's influence in baseball is not just limited to his on-field strategies, but also in shaping the careers and lives of numerous players.

Congratulations to Rob Watt on being inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 2024!



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NATASHA BUIS DEERING 2023 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

Prairie Baseball Academy is honoured to induct Natasha Buis Deering into our Hall of Fame. A true leader in every sense, she has been integral in helping student athletes on their academic journeys.

Over the last 20 years, Natasha has worked with PBA players at both Lethbridge College and the University of Lethbridge. For anyone who has worked with or alongside Natasha, they'll agree that her passion is unmatched. She truly believes in the transformative experience that takes place when we go to College or University, and nowhere is that more obvious than at Prairie Baseball Academy. Back at the college, Natasha's office overlooked the Centre Core where the players would sit, always proudly decked out in their PBA gear. The players almost never booked appointments but, instead, would knock on her window and ask to talk.

Natasha almost always said yes. Naturally, these impromptu meetings would drive the receptionist crazy! It demonstrates her willingness to put students first – a trait that's only boldened over her tenure in the post-secondary sector. Whether advising students on which courses to take, helping with registration, building transfer relationships, or giving a much needed pep talk, Natasha recognized that each player was unique, with different backgrounds and experiences, and different levels of talent and goals. She understood the pressure these high performing student-athletes were under and gave real meaning to the phrase 'happy to help'.

Natasha has been instrumental in assisting our student athletes pursue their passions on and off the field. She has had a front row seat to the transformation undergone by hundreds of players as they grew into academic scholars, career professionals, incredible athletes, successful entrepreneurs, and impressive human beings. Natasha still cheers players on long after they have moved on to new careers, programs, and lives.

She's always been a fan of the sport and even played until she was in her early 20s. She knows how much players and their families sacrifice for them to be out on that diamond, making a name for themselves and their team. She continues to share her love of the sport and our program by bringing her daughter, husband, and friends along to cheer for the Prairie Baseball Academy. The amount



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she knows about the post-secondary roadmap and how to be a successful student-athlete is impressive. Even more impressive is Natasha's genuine ability to connect with anyone at any time on any subject. She's one of those rare people who just gets it. Natasha, we're so lucky to have had you in our corner all these years.

Congratulations to Natasha Buis Deering on being inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame in 2023!



LES MCTAVISH 2023 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy and the PBA Alumni Association are extremely excited to be honouring Les McTavish with induction into the PBA Hall of Fame for 2023. Les is being inducted based on his accomplishments as both a player and a coach.

McTavish is originally from Stettler, Alberta, and had a very successful youth baseball career. Les competed for Team Alberta from 1994-97. He played in the Canada Cup, Western Canada Summer Games and finished in third place at the 1997 Canada Summer Games.

Following his youth playing days, McTavish took his talents to Lethbridge where he was part of the first season of the Prairie Baseball Academy in 1995-96. With talent, work ethic and strong academics, McTavish was the first PBA player to receive a scholarship to a United States school. McTavish competed for four years at NCAA Division 1, Washington State University as a relief pitcher. He still boasts the second most pitching appearances in school history. McTavish showed later generations of PBA players that it was possible to not only move on after PBA, but to be an impact player at the next level. Since 1995-96, well over 200 student-athletes have moved on from the Prairie Baseball Academy to 4-year schools in North America.

Following his playing days, McTavish jumped straight into coaching, and has built one of the finest baseball coaching resumes in provincial history. McTavish has had coaching stints with Lethbridge American Legion (1998-2001), PBA (2001-02), Team Alberta (2002), Lethbridge Bulls (2002-04), Canadian Junior National Team (2004-08, 2021/22), Guest Coach/Scout for the Seattle Mariners (2001-2020), and Philadelphia Phillies Scout 2021-present. McTavish has also



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had the honour of managing the World Team against Team USA at two Super Series, the 1st in Phoenix in 2018 and Boston at Fenway Park in 2019.

McTavish's coaching experiences culminated in the creation of the Vauxhall Academy of Baseball in 2006. The first of its kind in Canada, McTavish wanted an academy style experience for elite high school baseball players from across Canada. With hard work, dedication and an incredible group of people around him, McTavish has grown Vauxhall Baseball into one of the premiere high school baseball academies in Canada. Since the inception in 2006, over 130 players have moved on to play professional and/or collegiate baseball following their time in Vauxhall. McTavish has had 18 players picked in the MLB draft or signed professional contracts. It is safe to say McTavish has had an incredible career in baseball, and he continues to better himself as a coach and as a person. VAB was the catalyst that generated close to a dozen high school academies in Alberta as of 2022. Youth baseball players have never had more options to improve their skills and continue the dream of playing collegiate baseball. The landscape of Alberta Baseball has been forever changed by McTavish's vision.

The Prairie Baseball Academy is so proud to be able to induct such a great man, and a great baseball mind into our Hall of Fame, Congratulations Les!



LES COLWILL 2023 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy Alumni Association is honoured to be inducting Les Colwill into the PBA Hall of Fame for 2023. Like many other PBA HOF members previously inducted, Les was a huge supporter of PBA during the early years. A true volunteer in every sense of the word, Les was always a friendly face, open for a conversation and had some of the best stories to tell from his own athletic career. Les had a very successful hockey career, including a stint with the New York Rangers in 1958-59 playing against the likes of: Gordie Howe, Jean Beliveau, Bobby Hull and Frank Mahovlich in a rough and tough era of professional hockey.

Les' major contribution to the Prairie Baseball Academy came each year with the golf tournament. When Les took over as the lead organizer the tournament



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was a minor fundraiser for PBA. With his boots on the ground, face-to-face approach Les was able to grow the tournament into one of PBA's major fundraisers. The PBA golf tournament, since renamed the Keith Jorgensen Memorial Scholarship Tournament has raised countless thousands of dollars over the 27 years PBA has been in existence. Since Les was forced to hand the reins over due to his failing health, the tournament has only continued to grow. Last year PBA was honoured to have over 40 alumni participate and close to \$30,000 was raised to directly fund PBA player scholarships.

As previously mentioned, Les has faced some severe health issues over the last few years including a loss of vision. He still lives in Lethbridge with his lovely wife Carol. The PBA wanted to make sure to honour such a vital contributor to the early years of PBA. A lot of Les's other contributions to the Prairie Baseball Academy have been lost through the passage of time, but it is well known that our annual golf tournament would be nowhere near where it is today without Mr. Les Colwill. Thank you Les for everything you have done for this program and congratulations on being inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame!



LARS DAVIS

2022 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy is honoured to induct Lars Davis into the PBA Hall of Fame for 2022. Just the second former player to be inducted, Lars is an incredible baseball mind, and has made a career playing and coaching baseball at the highest levels since leaving PBA in 2005.

Originally from Grande Prairie, Alberta, Lars came to PBA in 2004. A little short on high level experience, Lars was placed on the JV team. After an up and down first year at PBA, a post-season meeting with the coaches set the stage for an incredible stretch of College Baseball. In 2005, Lars led PBA to a CCBC Championship. He broke the record at the time for home runs and hits in a single season at PBA. His incredible 2005 season was rewarded with



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a scholarship to the University of Illinois. Again, Lars was a standout player at Illinois, leading the Fighting Illini in almost every offensive category in 2007. Lars was named the Big Ten Player of the Year. Following his college season, Lars was chosen in the 3rd round (102 Overall) of the 2007 MLB Draft. Over the next seven years Lars worked his way through the Rockies system up to Triple-A where he played with the Colorado Springs Sky Sox in 2013.

Lars retired from playing after the 2014 season. It wasn't long before he got himself involved on the coaching side of the game. Lars coached with the Florida Gators for seven seasons and was a vital part of the program's success. Lars was instrumental in helping the Gators win their first NCAA National Title in 2017, and a run of four consecutive College World Series appearances from 2015-18. During his coaching tenure at Florida, the program won over 70% of their games, had 43 players drafted into the MLB, including seven first rounders. Lars has recently moved into a new role as an assistant coach at Georgia State University. At the time of printing, the Panthers were 11-6 to start the 2022 spring season. Lars lives with his lovely wife Katie, who he met during his time in Florida. Katie was the head athletic trainer for the Gators softball team when they met. Thank you to Lars Davis for everything he has done for the baseball community. He is the epitome of what it means to be a PBA player. Stories of his work-ethic and teamfirst attitude are still told by Coach Hubka.

Congratulations Lars, on being inducted into the PBA Hall of Fame for 2022!



GLENN SECRETAN **2022 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee**

The Prairie Baseball Academy is honoured to be inducting Mr. Glenn Secretan into the PBA Hall of Fame for 2022. Glenn has been involved in PBA in some capacity since 1997. Glenn has held multiple roles over the past 26 years including: President, Vice President, academic advisor and board member for the Prairie Baseball Academy.

Glenn grew up in Del Bonita, Alberta — a small border town community where baseball was the only game to play. Baseball has remained an important part of Glenn's life ever since. Glenn studied at the University of Lethbridge where he received his Masters in Education. As an educator and a counsellor, Glenn has had the opportunity to lead young adults for



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over 45 years! Glenn was the go-to person at Lethbridge College for PBA student athletes. Glenn was always there to lend his advice to the players and the coaching staff. Glenn's commitment to making education a priority at PBA has helped countless young men move on to four-year schools in the United States.

Glenn has been a vital part of PBA's success over the past quarter century. He was there when having a college baseball program in Southern Alberta was still a dream. Glenn helped with building the amazing facilities at Lloyd Nolan Yard and has been instrumental in working with the Alberta Government and Lethbridge College to raise scholarship dollars for players. Even though Glenn has retired from his teaching role at Lethbridge College and his role as academic advisor for PBA, he is still on the fundraising committee for the Keith Jorgensen Memorial Golf Tournament. This tournament has been a key fundraiser for PBA, and Glenn has put countless hours into organizing and raising funds for this great event.

Glenn has been married to his lovely wife Penny for 50 years. If you ever get the opportunity to speak with Glenn about his family, you will find he is a tremendously proud father of four amazing boys Matt, Charlie, Mike and Mark. Thank you to Glenn Secretan for all he has done for the Prairie Baseball Academy, and congratulations on being inducted into our Hall of Fame for 2022!



SHIRLEY MCCLELLAN

2021 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

Prairie Baseball Academy (PBA) wishes to introduce the Honorable Shirley McClellan into the Builder/Community Leader category of our Hall of Fame. She currently resides in New Brigden, Alberta where she farms with her husband, Lloyd, and their family.

Shirley was born in Hanna, Alberta, where she learned early on about the importance of education. Shirley knew that you needed to find ways to stand at the front of the line if you wanted to accomplish your goals. Be it with sports, politics or in life, Shirley always found a way to stand at the front of the line. Shirley's work ethic and passion for her community to this day, make her an incredible addition to our PBA Hall of Fame. Shirley was first elected to the Alberta legislature in 1989, and served her constituents until she resigned in January 2007. Shirley served six terms as the



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member of the Legislature for Drumheller/ Stettler. Oddly enough, Ralph Klein resigned the same day as Shirley. Makes you wonder who really was in charge of the Alberta Government during the Ralph Klein era!

Shirley held numerous senior cabinet posts over the years, including: Minister of Health, Minister responsible for the Wild Rose Foundation; Minister responsible for the Alberta Alcohol and Drug Abuse Commission; Minister Responsible for Seniors; Minister of International and Intergovernmental Relations; Minister of Agriculture; Minister of Finance; Chair of the Treasury Board; and probably her most passionate appointment, Minister of Community Development. Shirley was appointed to this post in 1996. However, as her role changed within government, Shirley always made sure to stay involved in Community Development. It was here where Shirley's passions were exhibited to the citizens of Alberta. She was always willing to lend an ear for projects that would better Alberta communities. She was very influential and successfully directed government monies for well thought-out parks and community centers. She was always there for her community.

Shirley had a vision and recognized the value that hockey rinks, community centers, parks and baseball fields brought to communities. She visualized an environment where people could come together to be involved in an activity. Such was the case with the Lloyd Nolan Yard baseball facility. Shirley McClellan was

instrumental in the construction of the Lloyd Nolan Yard facility. She could see the value that the Lloyd Nolan complex brought to the baseball community in Alberta and Canada. Shirley loved to watch baseball – she frequented games in Las Vegas, Ottawa, and, of course, at Lloyd Nolan Yard. Shirley took a keen interest in developing student-athletes in a first of its kind college baseball program in Southern Alberta.

It took visionaries like our 2021 PBA HOF inductees to see a project of this magnitude through. Today, there are close to a dozen high school and college baseball academies competing each year in Alberta. The growth of baseball would not have been possible without individuals such as Shirley McClellan. For that, the PBA family owes her our sincerest gratitude.

The Prairie Baseball Academy would like to officially congratulate Ms. Shirley McClellan, on her induction into our PBA Hall of Fame for the class of 2021 in the "Builder/Community Leader" category.



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CLINT DUNFORD 2021 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

Prairie Baseball Academy (PBA) wishes to introduce Clint Dunford into the Builder/Community Leader category of our Hall of Fame. Clint's impact on Lethbridge extends beyond baseball, but PBA is incredibly thankful for his support over the years.

In the early days of PBA, Clint was the Minister of Advanced Education. At the time, neither the University of Lethbridge or Lethbridge College were that interested in having an affiliated team. When the organization started having conversations about being an independent academy, Clint suggested that they allow students to attend both programs to increase the player pool and increase student opportunity. He initiated the dual school program, which remains in place at PBA to this day. Close to one-thousand student athletes have benefited from being allowed this educational flexibility in Lethbridge.

While Minister of Advanced Education, Clint (and Shirley) introduced PBA to the Heritage Fund. The Heritage fund matched PBA dollar for dollar. The funds were used for scholarships to support PBA players, which were desperately needed at the time. Clint and Shirley were key to the PBA scholarship program that has grown to give out anywhere from \$60,000- \$80,000 annually, to PBA players.

Once the scholarships were in place, Clint told Coach Kubicek that his office door was open, and Kub could get ahold of him any time he needed it. Coach Kubicek took him up on that! The vision was always that the PBA needed its own facility. Meetings with the University were unsuccessful. At the College, little headway was made.

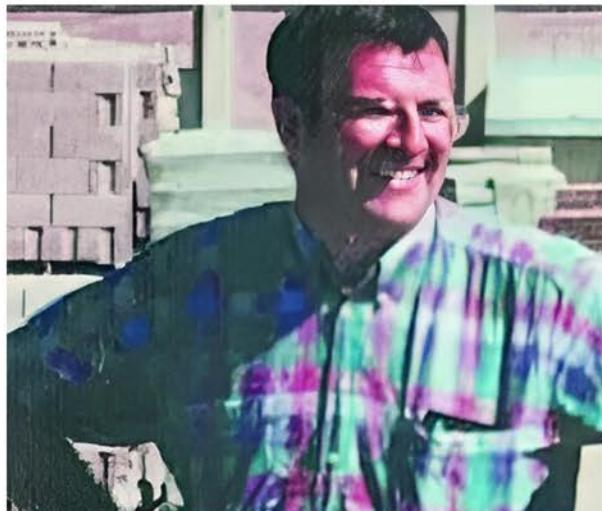
They had started setting up plans to build at the College, but those plans fell by the wayside. At the time, Clint was involved in Economic Development for the provincial government, and stepped in to approach the city of Lethbridge. Clint suggested that they donate land to the Academy. When asked to talk about Clint's influence on PBA, Coach Kubicek vividly remembered Rick and Clint standing at the current site of Lloyd Nolan Yard looking down into what was a shallow coulee. Back in those days, it was barren and filled with garbage including a memorable old fridge. Clint and Rick went to city council and were determined that this was the spot. Clint was the behind-the-scenes guy for the land donation. When they broke ground at what is now Lloyd Nolan Yard, Clint turned over the first shovel of dirt. Clint Dunford was



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integral to the development of the facility at Lloyd Nolan Yard, and the Prairie Baseball Academy as an educational program. To all those that know Clint, to call him integral is still an understatement.

The Prairie Baseball Academy would like to officially congratulate Clint Dunford on his induction into our PBA Hall of Fame for the class of 2021 in the "Builder/Community Leader" category



RICK WILLIAMS 2021 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

Prairie Baseball Academy (PBA) wishes to introduce Rick Williams into the Builder/ Community Leader category of our Hall of Fame.

Rick Williams' influence on the Prairie Baseball Academy started in the first half of 1998. Rick was the Manager of Parks and Recreation with the City of Lethbridge. Lethbridge City Council had been

bombarded with inquiries to build another baseball facility, a facility that the newly inducted PBA could call home. The inquiries came predominantly from a special group of men, recognized as our 2020 HOF inductees. Keith Jorgensen, Doug Jones, Rick Paskal and Coach Kubicek were persistent to the core. Eventually City Council decided to move ahead and the project was assigned to Rick Williams. This was Rick's introduction to the Prairie Baseball Academy.

Rick Williams met with this group of individuals. After hearing about the plan, he could have easily put the project and the dream on hold. After all, it was going to be a massive project! Rick did quite the opposite. He jumped into the project headfirst and asserted himself in ways not traditional of a near-retirement civic employee. The wheels were put in motion and tenders for the project were opened to the public. The estimates that came in were three times higher than the "dream team" had budgeted. PBA thought the dream may be dead before it even got started. Rick wasn't going to let that happen. He stepped up and took on the position of general contractor for the construction of the baseball field and indoor facility at Lloyd Nolan Yard himself. Rick's new job description (unbeknownst to the city) included: Recreation and Parks Manager, Lloyd Nolan General Contractor and PBA/City of Lethbridge official liaison.

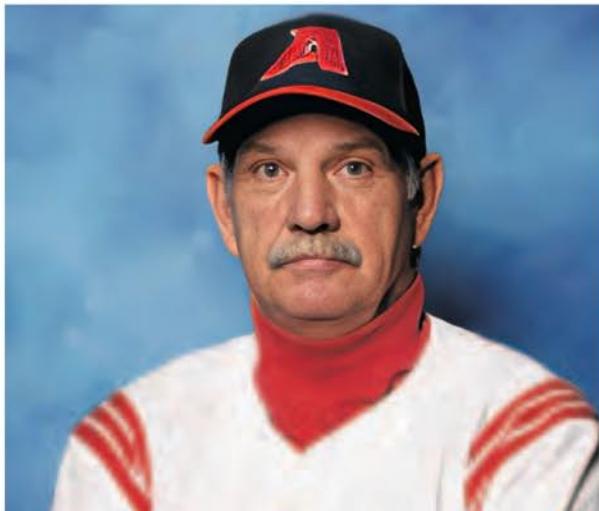
Rick's tireless effort over the following months is one of the many reasons Lloyd Nolan Yard is home to PBA today. Rick took



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pride in the project and used the budget as efficiently as possible. Rick's vast experience allowed for some minor rule-bending during construction, which saved PBA thousands of dollars in the long run. Rick carried the burden of accountability on this project all the way up the ladder to the mayor's office. Rick's persistence and dedication to the project helped the PBA family literally build their dream baseball facility. At the time, and to this day, Lloyd Nolan yard remains one of the premier college baseball facilities in Canada.

The Prairie Baseball Academy like to officially congratulate Rick on his induction into the PBA Hall of Fame for the class of 2021 in the "Builder" category



COACH KUBICEK **2020 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee**

It is with great honor that our first inductee into the PBA Hall of Fame is none other than our first coach, Blair Kubicek. Coach

Kubicek moved to Lethbridge in the summer of 1995 and began working on recruiting the first ever PBA team. The Academy took to the field at Henderson Stadium on September 4, 1995 with 52 players eager to show off their skills.

The first year of the program had many hurdles to overcome and Coach Kubicek was determined to make Prairie Baseball Academy into a powerhouse college baseball program that could compete with similar programs across North America. Under Kubicek's reign as head coach from 1995- 2010 he compiled a 353-279-3 record. During his fifteen years with the program 110 players went on to 4-year institutions, and 27 players were drafted or signed into professional baseball.

Coach Kubicek's blue collar mentality has stayed with the Prairie Baseball Academy to this day and is one of the many reasons PBA has been so successful over the last 25 years. Coach Kubicek spoke on attitude and mentality all the time.

We would like to leave you with a passage that Coach used at PBA for many years: "The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a team, a company, or a family. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we

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will embrace for the day, in school and at the yard. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to you and 90% how you react to it. So, it is with you and your teammates, we are in charge of our attitudes. If we think we "can" or if we think we "cannot" we are right.

Committee member Omar Kadir had the privilege of contacting Coach Kubicek to inform him of his induction, and had this to say about their conversation: "Coach Kubicek was very honoured to be receiving this Hall of Fame induction. He spoke highly of his time at PBA and really values the relationships he made with players and staff."



KEITH JORGENSEN **2020 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee**

Our second inductee into the PBA Hall of Fame will be Keith Jorgensen. Unfortunately Keith passed away after a long

battle with cancer in 2016. Keith will be honoured posthumously by his wife Bev-erley Jorgensen at this years banquet. The PBA staff would like to thank Bev for writing the following passage about Keith and his influence on the Prairie Baseball Academy from the very beginning.

Prairie Baseball Academy was truly a dream program for four visionary men. In the summer of 1993 Doug Jones (President of Alberta Baseball), Blair Kubicek (Coach at Edmonds College) , Reed Spencer (Scout for Colorado Rockies) and Dale Tilleman (Scout for the New York Yankees) had an inspiring conversation in regard to a Canadian College Baseball program. From this simple but profound idea they then approached Alberta Sport Council for support and the sport council responded quickly with a great deal of enthusiasm. Doug, Dale and Reed added a new recruit, Keith Jorgensen to their roster and they headed to Medicine Hat to meet with Wayne Schlosser, Lovell McDonnell and Kevin Friesen. In October 1994, Keith was elected the first President of PBA, Doug, the Vice-President, Dale, the Secretary- Treasurer and Board members were: Reed Spencer, Wayne Schlosser and Wayne Guenter. And Prairie Baseball Academy was established.

Keith served as President from 1994-2001. Many challenges were forthcoming in the early years as the program took shape. Keith was instrumental in drafting the PBA Constitution and PBA Mission Statement. As partnerships were formed with the University of Lethbridge and the

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Lethbridge Community College educational needs of the students were met. Between these two institutions, student athletes are able to receive excellent training in almost any field that they might choose to enter. Many meetings were held with the City of Lethbridge to develop a plan for a much needed facility. Construction was soon underway and Lloyd Nolan Yard became a reality with a grand opening in September 1999. PBA sponsored many winter and summer Instructional, Conditioning, Hitting and Pitching Seminars and Camps for youth in Southern Alberta. Coaches and Umpires Conventions were offered in conjunction with the annual PBA Awards Banquet. Keith served on the Board of Directors from 1994-2016 as the Business/Promotions manager. He had a variety of responsibilities: player registration, fund-raising, media guide program, awards banquet chairman, tournament organizer, and could almost always be found during home games at the barbecue or helping out in the concession.

As the program grew and young men came from all across Canada to hone their baseball skills with a desire to gain an education in their chosen career paths, Keith envisioned a Scholarship program that would encourage and help them to achieve both of these goals. And so the PBA Caddie Classic was formed. His goal was to bring together a community of like-minded golfers, to introduce them to PBA Baseball players and have a fun and rewarding day playing golf. To Keith's delight the first PBA Golf Tournament was a

great success which resulted in a very successful Scholarship program too.

Prairie Baseball Academy was the perfect venue for Keith. He loved children, teaching, baseball, golf and being involved in his community. The Academy certainly provided Keith the opportunity to do all that he held dear to his heart and more.

As his family we feel a deep sense of pride that Keith will have a place of honor on the Wall of Fame for Prairie Baseball Academy. We know how much he loved baseball and especially this program, so we thank you for this tribute to his legacy.
~ Beverley Jorgensen and Family



RICK PASKAL **2020 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee**

Prairie Baseball Academy would like to recognize Rick Paskal as the next inductee into our Hall of Fame. Rick was one of the original gold sponsors of the PBA

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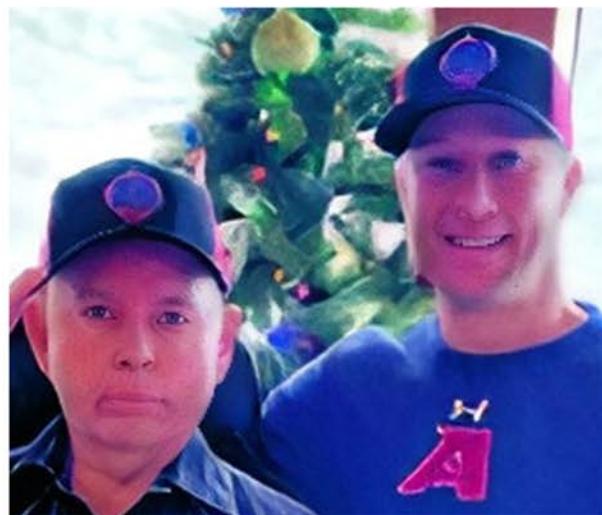
program. Rick served as the second President of PBA from 1998-2002. It was clear from day one that Rick valued the community and had a vision to produce a state of the art facility at Lloyd Nolan Yard. Rick spent countless hours working with contractors and the City of Lethbridge to create a baseball facility that could be home to a Canadian college baseball program. Rick did all of this work while running his own successful trucking, cattle and feedlot business.

Rick was a firm believer that academics must come first for PBA to thrive. He always made sure to acknowledge both post-secondary institutions and the vital role they played in the success of the program. All three of his sons: Kurtis, Kevin, and Craig played for PBA and have since joined the family operation out in Picture Butte, AB.

Rick and the Paskal family have remained incredibly supportive of PBA through the years, donating thousands of dollars at fundraisers and banquets. The Paskal Family purchase the PBA Work Package in our live auction at the PBA Banquet almost every single year. The players come out to the farm for a day and pick hundreds of rocks out of the fields. Waiting for them at the end of the day is one of the best steak dinners you can imagine, all the fixings, for thirty or more hungry young players, it is a sight to see. Simply said, our program would not be the same without Rick's commitment, leadership, and strong values. We appreciate your dedication to our community and belief

that pursuing a career in baseball is best paired with strong values and a quality education.

Two of our Hall of Fame Committee members along with Coach Hubka were able to get out to Picture Butte before the holidays to speak with Rick about what this honour means to him. As always, Rick was hesitant and humbled by the praise he was receiving. Rick continued to say "He was a little unsure what he did to deserve such a big honour, he was just being a dad." Which sums up what an amazing person Rick is. We at the Prairie Baseball Academy cannot thank Rick enough for being an amazing father, and literally helping build Lloyd Nolan Yard.



LARRY NOLAN
2020 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

The Prairie Baseball Academy is proud to next induct Larry Nolan into our Hall of Fame. Prairie Baseball Academy owes an



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overwhelming debt of gratitude to Larry Nolan for his generous support from the very beginning of the PBA program.

Larry was first introduced and fell in love with the game of baseball as a youngster. He and his cousin, Keith Jorgensen (also inducted into the PBA HOF in 2020) played on the same Little League team in 1955. When the boys got a little older, Lloyd Nolan, Larry's older brother coached them and shared the same passion for baseball as the two young men. In 1996, Keith Jorgensen and Coach Kubicek met with Larry at his home. The group of men sat at the kitchen table and Larry was asked if he would become a Gold Sponsor of PBA. Larry said yes and was elated that he had an opportunity to give back to a baseball program in Southern Alberta. This was the beginning of an incredible relationship between Larry and PBA that has lasted through to this day.

Fast forward to 1997, Rick Paskal and Coach Kubicek approached Larry in regard to a donation towards the construction of a new facility for PBA. Once again Larry answered with a resounding yes! The wheels were set in motion, The City of Lethbridge was on board, a location was determined and construction began under the expertise of Rick Williams. Coach Kubicek and Rick Paskal were the driving forces behind getting the facilities built: Blair had the vision, and Rick was the "man who walked with a big stick." Larry was so pleased to see the speed with which the facility took shape. Not long after breaking ground on the

North Side of Lethbridge was the facility complete, the only detail left was to add a name to the facility. The Nolan family was consulted and it was determined that this baseball complex would be named "Lloyd Nolan Yard."

Recently, Larry was asked "Why would you choose to contribute in such a large way?" Larry replied "In my business I have had an opportunity to help others and I am grateful that I could." Larry expressed how special it is to have had baseball players approach him, shake his hand and say thank you. These special moments to Larry are what have made it all worthwhile. Baseball has always had a tender spot in Larry's heart and he is so pleased that PBA has brought the best to Southern Alberta. A closing thought from Larry and a quote:

"Baseball has grown so much over the last 25 years, and it is clear the role that the Prairie Baseball Academy has had contributing to that growth."



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DUSTIN MOLLEKEN 2020 PBA Hall of Fame Inductee

Our 6th and final inductee into the PBA Hall of Fame for 2020 is Dustin Molleken. Dustin is the first and only player from PBA to play in the MLB. Originally from Regina, Saskatchewan, Dustin came to PBA in 2003 after playing with the Canadian Junior National Team. Dustin had a successful year with PBA and was drafted in the 15th round by the Pittsburgh Pirates. Dustin was 18 years old in 2003, he is 35 years old now, still competing at the highest level. Dustin will represent Canada at the 2020 Olympic qualifier in Arizona this March and hopefully at the Olympics in Tokyo, Japan this summer. Dustin has had an incredible career spanning close to two decades in the game of baseball and we are proud to say that PBA was one of the early stops in Dustin's journey. The PBA coaching staff is extremely proud to boast about Dustin's success. The following list is a glimpse

into what this man has accomplished and where Dustin has been in his baseball career:

2002 Played for the Canadian Junior National Team

2003 Played at PBA. Drafted by the Pirates in the 15th Round

2003-11 Played in the Pirates organization

2011 Signed with the Colorado Rockies (AA, AAA)

2011 Competed with Team Canada at the Pan Am Games. Won Gold.

2012/13 Signed in Japan for the Nippon Ham Fighters. First ever Canadian player to pitch in the Japan World Series.

2014 Signed with the Milwaukee Brewers (AAA - Nashville Sounds)

2015 Signed with the Cleveland Indians (AAA - Columbus Clippers)

2016 Signed with the Detroit Tigers (AAA - Toledo Mud Hens)

2016 Made his big league debut on July 4th Vs. Cleveland Indians
Pitched against the Toronto Blue Jays @ Rogers Centre

2017 Played with the Toledo Mud Hens



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2018 Played with the Somerset Patriots in the Atlantic League

2019 Competed with Team Canada at the Pan Am Games. Won Silver.

2020 Will compete in the 2020 Olympic Qualifier

2020 Hopefully Team Canada qualifies and Dustin is in Tokyo for the Olympics.

Coach Hubka had this to say about Dustin and what he means to PBA:

"Dustin was only with us for one year, but he was one of the best teammates and players a coach could ask for. The guy would give you the shirt off his back in a snowstorm, it's just the kind of person he is. The Prairie Baseball Academy is proud to have Dustin as an alumni and a role model for our current players to look up to. Dustin has accomplished a tremendous amount in his life because of baseball, including his beautiful family that we are so very excited will be joining us at the banquet on February 1st to receive this honour.

LLOYD NOLAN



Lloyd Nolan, for whom our Yard is named, was a very interesting young man. Diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy at a very young age and given very little encouragement about having a long life, Lloyd set out to live his life to the fullest and perhaps even out live the odds. Lloyd played in a local band and because he was one of only a few young men with a car, he often took many friends with him to dances around the country side. Lloyd's friends danced and partied all during the evening but once the dance was over then the real party began. If only his car could talk, the stories would be an interesting adventure for each of us. I've heard tell that many a night the car found its' way home in the dark sometimes via a ditch or two. Lloyd's musical talents gave him the opportunity to increase his ever widening circle of friends from the city of Lethbridge all the way to Brooks and beyond.

Although Lloyd couldn't play baseball, he loved the game and coached the Iron Springs Little League team with Keith Jorgensen in 1961 and 1962. What a fun two summers they were, not only for him but for the young players he was involved with. One special young man from that team was Gerrit vande Steeg, whom I'm sure many of you know from your involvement in Lethbridge Little League and the American Legion program. Lloyd was a great organizer even at the tender age of 17. He took this Little League team throughout southern Alberta in league and tournament play. Lloyd also coached a girl's softball team for at least two years, and they travelled to many communities playing softball as well.

In the late 60's Lloyd started a calf feeding system where calves were raised on pail milkers. From this small two calf operation, Bernard, Lloyd and Larry built up a feedlot operation that now houses approximately 10,000 animals. Lloyd attended many auctions buying calves and soon became a cattle buyer for many local cattlemen. Lloyd loved to travel all over North America and made many interesting trips with family friends. Rick Paskal, who helped build this yard, became one of Lloyd's travelling companions. Lloyd had a reputation of being fair, dedicated, honest, trustworthy, innovative, independent, a supporter, an entrepreneur, a risk taker, a taskmaster and a friend. Even in the later stages of his life, when his muscles were not very pliable, he still wanted to be treated just like one of the guys. He never wanted any special attention

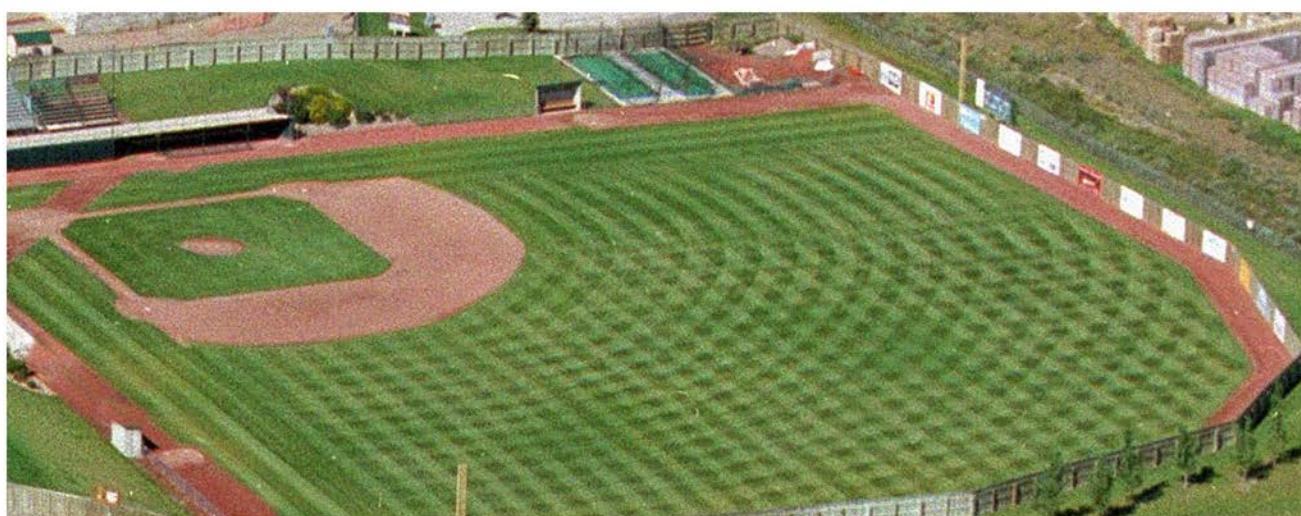
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nor to be treated with special concessions

The Nolan home was always busy with many visitors and friends, and extended family were always welcome. They came from far and wide to visit, to seek advice, but mostly just to enjoy the hospitality of the Nolan family. A rumour was floating about in the community how Lloyd was so side-tracked by the many visitors that he didn't have time to take care of the computer stock market business he had set up in his own home and apparently lost some money. It wasn't but a rumor I'm sure, but Lloyd took it quite seriously and for the next six months was very diligent in attending to the business at hand and soon had acquired a small fortune. All of this happened long before the internet was established as we know it today.

Lloyd passed away in 1991 at the age of 47 leaving quite a legacy as well as proving how, even as handicapped as he was, a

fortune could be made. He certainly proved to the medical community that if you give all you have to life, your rewards will be unlimited. Lloyd's sense of humour, his zest for life and his dedication to be the very best citizen he could, allowed him claim to fame and fortune. It was to allow many young people an opportunity to pursue their claim to fame by becoming a baseball player that the Nolan family supported the construction of this great facility, Lloyd Nolan Yard, that still stands proud as the home of PBA.



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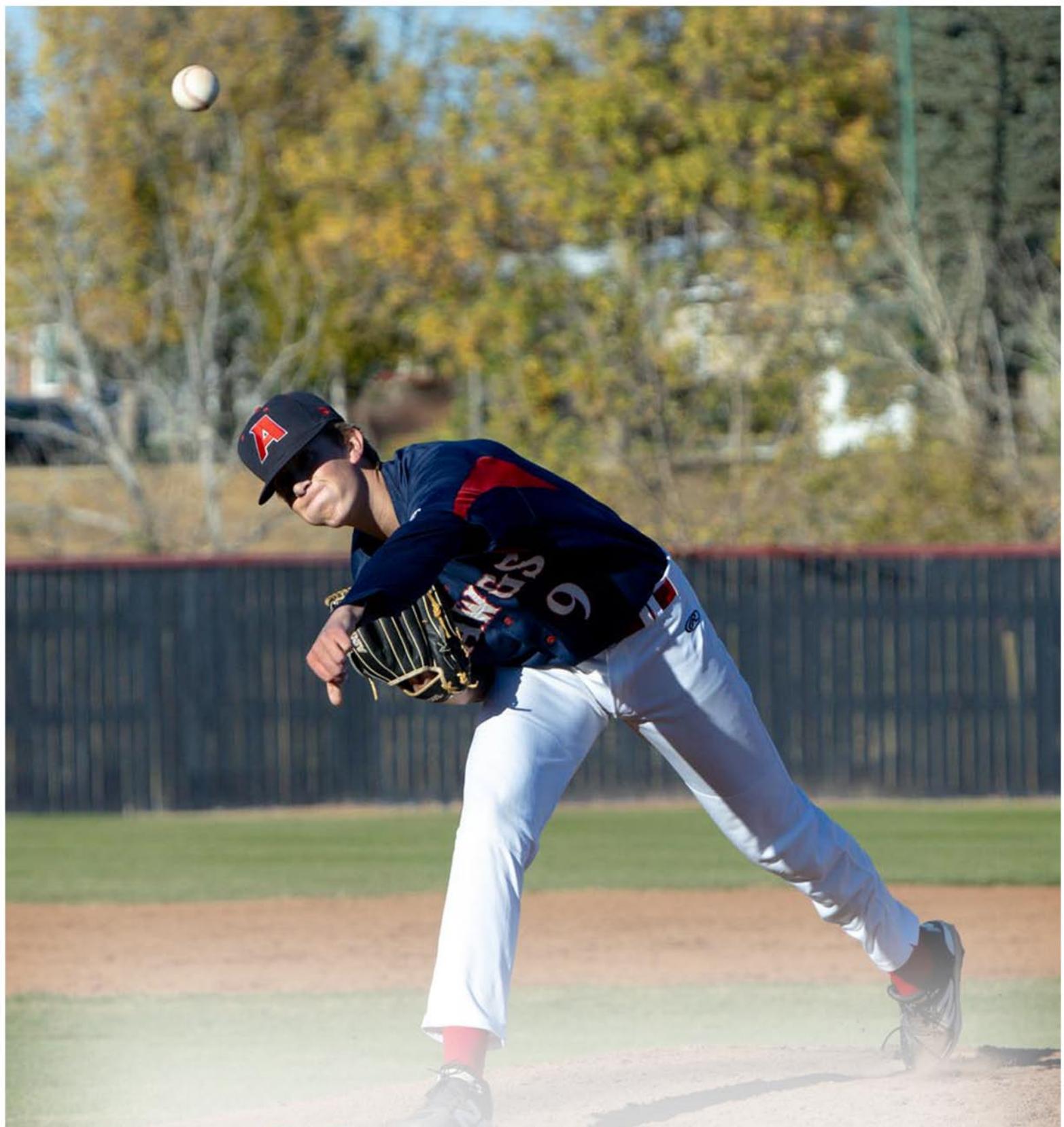
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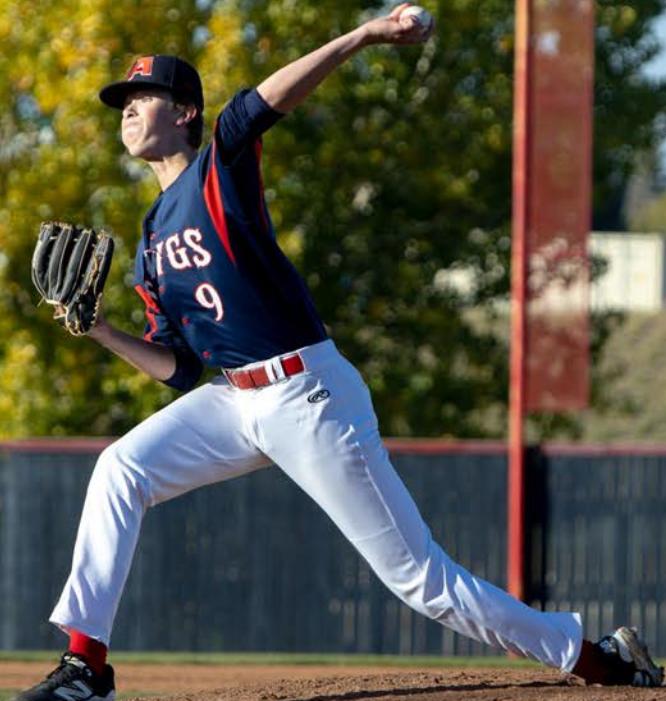
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Best of luck, Hayden Oberg!

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Congratulations Hudson!

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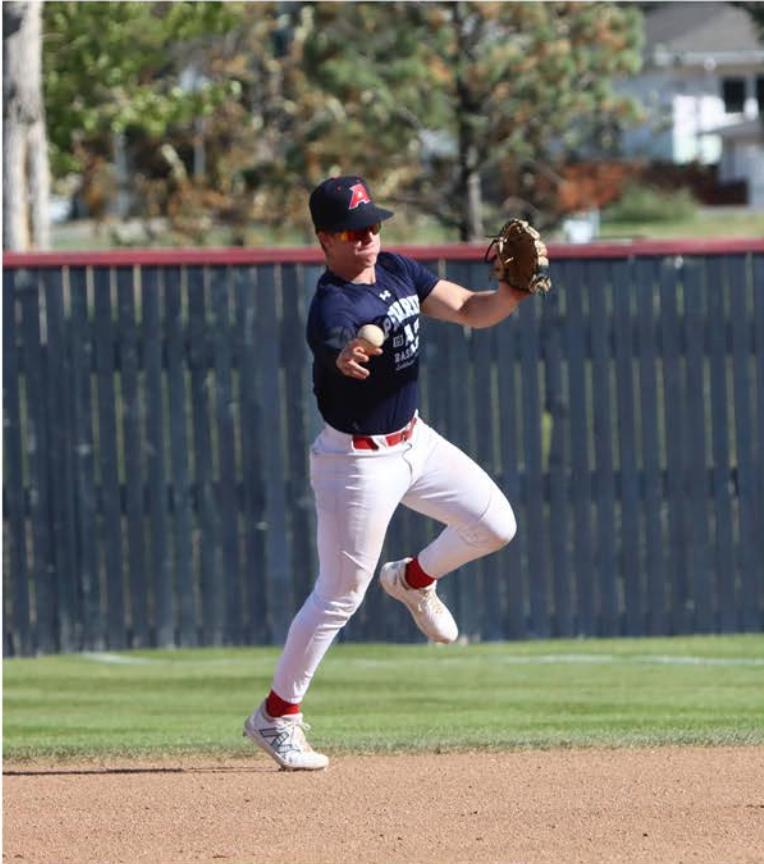
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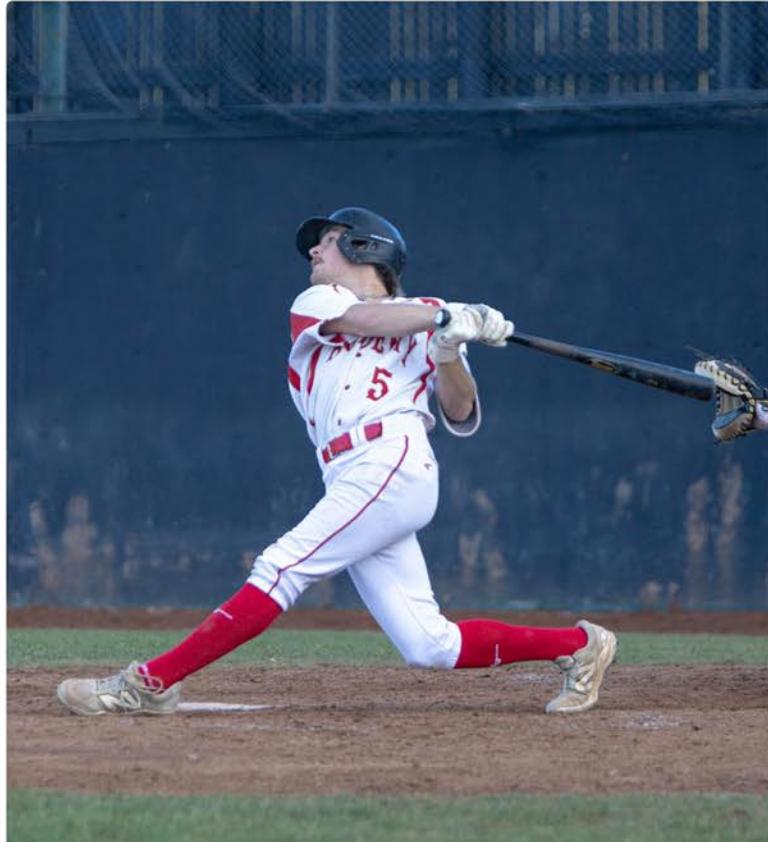
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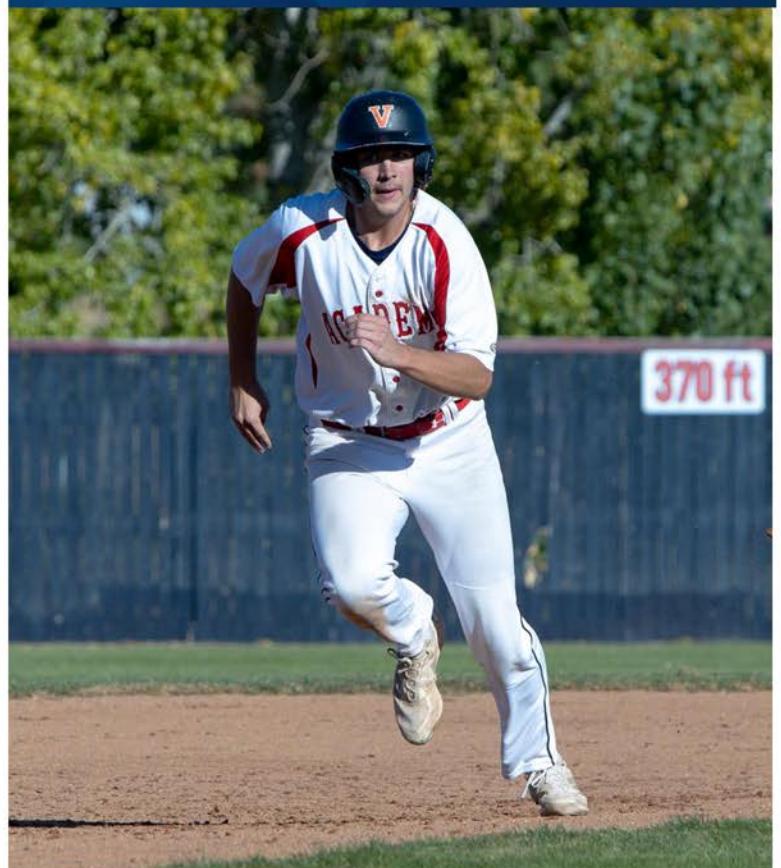
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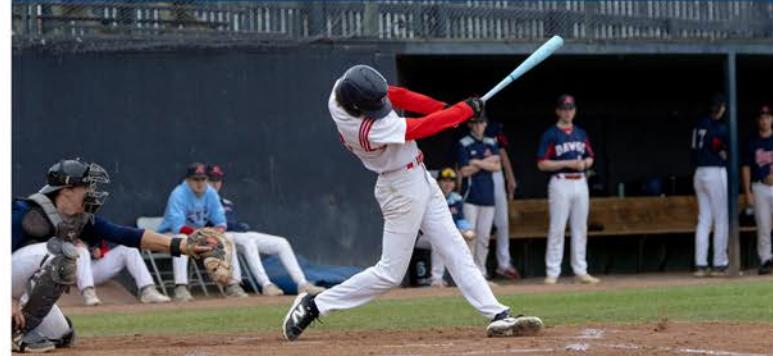
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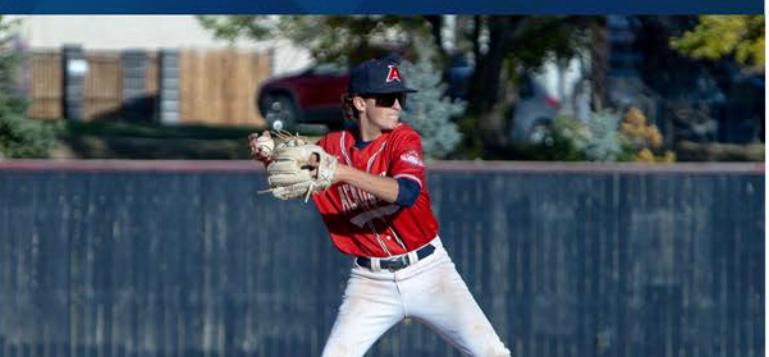
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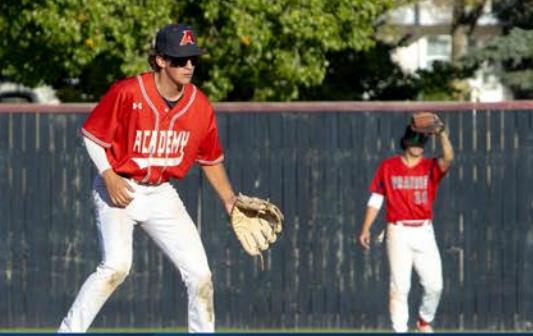
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Good luck Cooper McCooeye!

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Good Luck, Cooper McCooeye!

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Wow, even the Blue Jays only had to go 18 innings in their marathon! Good luck Daniel, Love Auntie Kirsten

Good luck Daniel, love mom and dad!

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Good luck, Declan Andersen!

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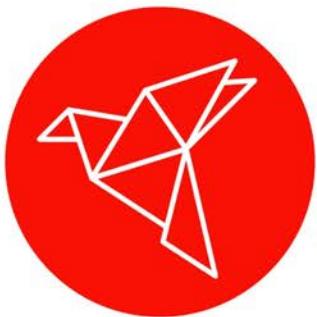
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Luck of the Irish, Declan. Love Grandma & Grandpa

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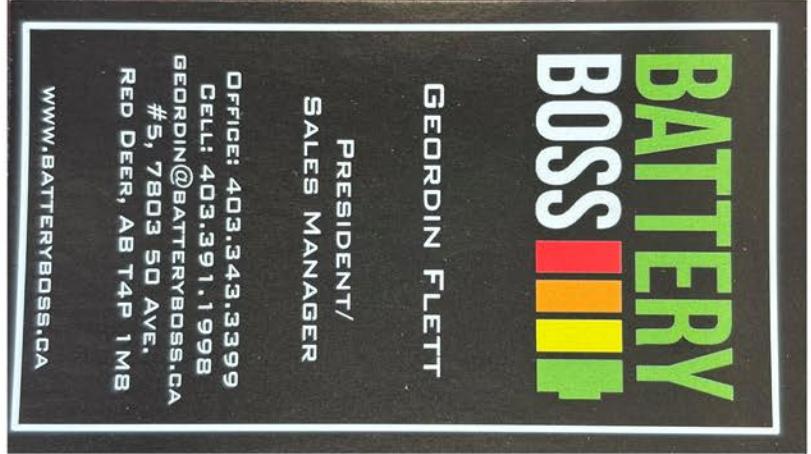
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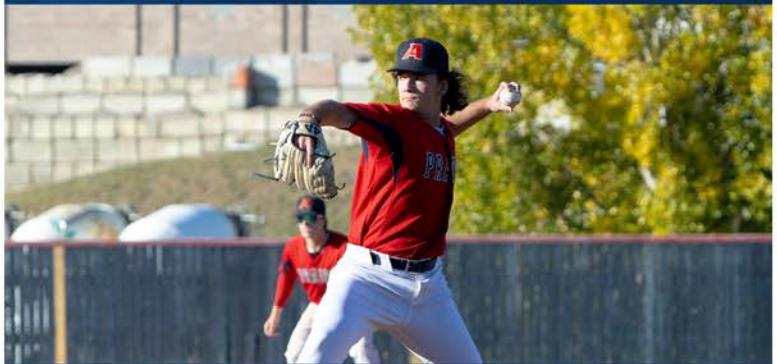
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Good luck Huddy! I'm so proud of you. Love, Papa
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Friends and family of Huddy are cheering him on
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Good Luck, Jack Mortimer!
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Work hard, play strong, enjoy your time at PBA!

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Good Luck Jackson!! From Munga and Papa



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Good Luck Logan Heaney!

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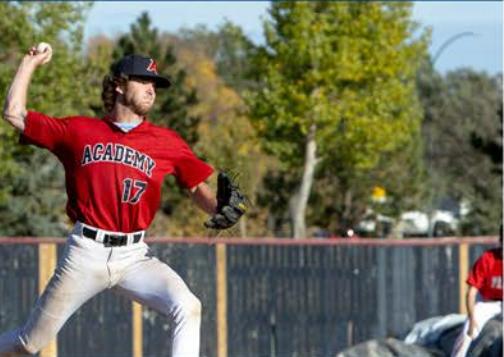
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Good Luck, Luke Hatcher!

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- Richard Micyk



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- Bryan Larkin



Good Luck, Nathan Webb!

- Cheryl & Todd Webb



Good Luck, Nicholas Carpenter!

- Uncle Ray & Aunt Rachel



Oliver have a great season!!!!

- Gary & April Hatanaka



Good Luck, Nick Carpenter!

- Daniel Carpenter



Good Luck, Oliver Lange-Brown!

- Jim Brown & April Wilson-Lange



Best of Luck to Owen and the team, from everyone at the Jenney Sports Academy!



Good Luck, Parker McLaughlin!

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ALBERTA JUNIOR ATHLETIC AWARDS

The Alberta Junior Athletic Awards celebrate young athletes in Alberta, recognizing their athletic excellence, academic success and community involvement. It supports a player's pursuit of post-secondary education while they continue to excel in sports.

KEITH JORGENSEN MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Keith Jorgensen's legacy in Alberta baseball lives on through the annual Keith Jorgensen Memorial Golf Tournament, which supports scholarships for student-athletes. His dedication to providing opportunities for young players continues to impact the Prairie Baseball Academy.

FIELD OF SCREAMS

Field of Screams is an important and exciting Haunted House event hosted at Spitz Stadium every October. Proceeds go towards support of the Prairie Baseball Academy Scholarship Fund and donations are collected for the Interfaith Food Bank.

LETHBRIDGE POLYTECHNIC

Lethbridge Polytechnic provides a range of scholarships and financial aid options to support students in achieving their academic and personal goals. These opportunities are designed to recognize excellence in academics, leadership, and community involvement.

UNIVERSITY OF LETHBRIDGE

The University of Lethbridge provides a wide range of scholarships and financial aid options aimed at supporting students throughout their academic journey. These awards recognize students for their achievements, leadership, and contributions to the community.



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The first thing that is absolutely imperative for each player to understand is that you are coming to Prairie Baseball Academy to further your education. Education must come first. That is not to say that baseball is not important to you or us, but the reality is that you must be successful in the classroom to be able to play college baseball. If your goal is to go on from the Prairie Baseball Academy to an N.C.A.A. or N.A.I.A. university and play, then you must attain the highest grades possible while you are here. We also suggest that you write the ACT or SAT exams before coming to Prairie Baseball Academy. Your success depends on how you prioritize and commit to your goals, and we hope that every student-athlete who joins us realizes their aspirations. We have done everything in our power to provide the tools and environment for you to succeed, but ultimately, it requires dedication and effort from you to make it happen.

We are also incredibly thankful for the support and partnership of the University of Lethbridge and Lethbridge Polytechnic. These esteemed institutions provide our student-athletes with exceptional educational opportunities and access to top-tier academic programs. Their commitment to fostering learning and excellence aligns perfectly with our values at the Prairie Baseball Academy. Thanks to their resources and collaboration, our players are set up for success both in the classroom and on the field, giving them the foundation they need to achieve their dreams.



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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

PRAIRIE BASEBALL ACADEMY

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

ROSS EGAN MEMORIAL

Ross was an outstanding pitcher, playing for PBA and attending LCC. During the summer of 1997 Ross played for the Team Alberta summer games team. He was recruited and offered a scholarship to attend a U.S. college in the fall of 1997. He died in a traffic accident in the summer of 1997. Ross will always be remembered by Prairie Baseball Academy.

TONY KUBICEK MEMORIAL

In 1993 Tony was one of two high school baseball players in the state of Washington to be recognized in "Who's Who in High School Sports." Tony was a second team all star catcher for the Tritons while playing at Edmonds Community College. Tony played for the Dawgs during the fall of 1995. He was scheduled to attend Mayville State University on a scholarship to complete his education but met with tragedy in a traffic accident June 13, 1998 near High River, Alberta. This scholarship is supported by the Kubicek family and the many friends of the family. The PBA is proud to present the Tony Kubicek scholarship.

ANTHONY MILLER MEMORIAL

Anthony began his baseball career in Nova Scotia in 1997 with the Rawdon Tigers T-Ball program. Miller played with multiple teams in his youth baseball career including the Rawdon Tigers, Truro Bearcats, Hants North Jays and joined the Noel Road Jays from 2011-2014. Anthony was passionate about baseball and had a true love

for the game. Anthony played the game with grit and respect for his teammates, opponents and officials. Miller would encourage and support his teammates and he always had their back. Anthony's coaches described him as being "a passionate, fiery kid", and a "one of kind kid teammate." He will always be remembered for his contagious smile and for showing up excited and ready to play each day. Anthony passed away February 9, 2016 at the age of 23 after a short but courageous battle with a rare form of cancer. Anthony is the brother of Varsity Assistant Coach Ryan MacDonald and we are honoured to be able to hand out a scholarship in his name each year.

DAVE HUBKA MEMORIAL

The Dave Hubka Memorial Scholarship honors the legacy of David Michael Hubka, a devoted family man and pillar of his community. Dave dedicated his life to agriculture, spending nearly 30 years in the fertilizer industry while also serving as a Claresholm Town Councillor for 23 years. His passion for sports, community involvement, and unwavering support for his family defined his life. Whether at a ballgame, dance recital, or community event, Dave's friendly smile and genuine kindness left a lasting impact on those around him. This scholarship continues his legacy by supporting students who embody his dedication, work ethic, and love for community.



MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

SCOTT REITER MEMORIAL

Scott Reiter was an avid baseball enthusiast who was often seen supporting the Lethbridge baseball community. Highlights from his personal playing career included a trip to the 1980 Big League World Series in Fort Lauderdale, Florida and a state title with the 1981 Lethbridge American Legion Elks. After graduating from university and starting his own business in Lethbridge, Scott began his 20 plus years of supporting the PBA. In the early years, he helped with the annual PBA golf tournament. As a coach himself, Scott was always amazed at the improvement players made under the guidance of Coach Kubicek and Coach Hubka. When Scott was diagnosed with cancer in early 2018, he always talked about when he would get better, not if he ever would be. Scott passed away on January 16, 2019. May this scholarship continue to give Scott the platform to support the program he respected.

CODY LENCUCHA MEMORIAL

The Cody Lencucha Memorial Scholarship honors Cody Wilfred Lencucha, whose passion for baseball and kindness left a lasting impact. A dedicated Lethbridge American Legion player, he cherished the friendships and lessons the sport gave him. His generosity was evident in his willingness to support others, always sharing with those in need. Through health struggles and adversity, he stayed true to his values and love for family. This scholarship continues his legacy by supporting athletes who embody his resilience, passion, and team-first mentality.

KEITH JORGENSEN MEMORIAL

The Keith Jorgensen Memorial Scholarship Golf Tournament is an annual event honoring Keith Jorgensen, a founding figure of the Prairie Baseball Academy and its scholarship program. Held at Paradise Canyon Golf Resort, the tournament raises crucial funds for the PBA's \$75,000 scholarship program, which supports student-athletes pursuing education at the University of Lethbridge and Lethbridge Polytechnic.

Keith's dedication to creating opportunities for young athletes lives on through this event, allowing players from across Canada to combine their passion for baseball with post-secondary education. Since his passing in 2016, the tournament has continued to enhance his legacy by fostering academic and athletic growth in the community. Proceeds from the event help ensure the continued success of the PBA's mission to develop well-rounded individuals.

ERIC NUTZHORN MEMORIAL

Eric Nutzhorn was a talented athlete, dedicated student, and beloved friend. Growing up in Creston, Eric excelled in baseball, hockey, and golf, forming life-long friendships along the way. A stand-out player with the Cranbrook Bandits and the Lethbridge Prairie Dawgs, Eric's baseball career reached new heights at North Dakota State University before being cut short by a brain tumor. Despite multiple health setbacks, Eric's resilience shone through as he completed his degree and became a personal trainer. Eric's passion for life and giving back, especially through his work with T.A.P.S., continues to inspire those who knew him.



MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Keith Jorgensen Memorial Scholarship Tournament was a great success, bringing the community together for a day of golf at Paradise Canyon. Funds raised support PBA's scholarship program, helping student-athletes pursue both baseball and academics. The event continues to honor Keith's legacy while strengthening the local baseball community.



PRAIRIE BASEBALL ACADEMY HONOUR ROLL



COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

These are alumni that have moved on to 4 year college or university programs, to pursue their baseball careers and graduate degrees following their tenure at the Prairie Baseball Academy.

2015 - 2025

2024-2025

Dawson Schultz- University of Pikeville
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Kendall Burns- Edmonton Collegiate
Zaden Wake- University of Arkansas-Monticello

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Jonah Bachiu - Cuesta College
Jaydon Gartner - University of Mount Olive
Kyle Poapst - University of Antelope Valley
Jake Anderson - Union College
Matt Kohle - Missouri Valley College
Brett Porter - Clarkson University

2018-2019

Torrin Vaselenak - University of Arkansas-Monticello

2017-2018

Chris Ewanik - Husson University
Dalton Wells - Lindsey Wilson College
David LeBlanc - Husson University
Gage Buck - University of Fraser Valley
Kai Poffenroth - University of Mount Olive
Liam Sabiston - Eastern New Mexico University
Scott Gillespie - University of Arkansas-Monticello

2016-2017

Austin Schibler - Columbia College
Brett Brittany - University of Mount Olive
Chris Messer - Florida Southwestern State College
Dylan Borman - University of Arkansas-Monticello
Nikolas Cardinal - Allen Hancock CC

2015-2016

Jared Libke- University of Arkansas-Monticello
Nicholas Ankermann- Eastern New Mexico University
Dustin Braun- Central Washington University

2022-2023

Aidan Newton - Northwestern State University
Carter Claerhout-Southern Arkansas University
Colby Snider - Mayville State University
Nick Gravel - Bellevue University
Max Benton - William Woods University
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Ty Schaffer - William Woods University

2021-2022

Josh Kabayama - University of Mount Olive
Brad Goodwin - University of Antelope Valley



COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

2007 - 2015

2014-2015

Tanner Banks - University of Jamestown
Troy Blad - University of Winnipeg
Pat Kelley - Northern Kentucky University
Josh Wray - Brock University

Jake Hansen - Pensacola State University
Hayden Chies - University of British Columbia
Brandon MacKinnon - Mount Olive College
Jordan Duffy - University of Maine-Presque Isle

2013-2014

Dylan Johnson - Mayville State University
Justin Pilgrim - Northwest Nazarene University
Chris Stodolka - University of Texas at Tyler

2009-2010

Jamie Mitchell - Mount Olive College
Mitch Schaafsmma - University of Texas-Brownsville
Brad Regehr - University of Texas-Brownsville
Brody Chamberlain - University of Texas-Brownsville
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Alex Tufts - Canisius University
Kirk Haviland - University of Wisconsin-Parkside

2012-2013

Ryan Pidhaichuk - University of Kansas
Brody McDonald- Mount Olive College
Kyle Paulson - Bryan College
Corey Wood - University of Arkansas-Monticello
Travis Steinke - University of Arkansas-Monticello
Evan Comeau - University of Arkansas-Monticello
Mitch Dornblut - University of Arkansas-Monticello

2008-2009

Jay Johnson - Texas Tech University
Jared Mortensen - Mount Olive College
Brad Ferraro - Mayville State University
Mark Kuzyk - Mayville State University
Curtis Beaudoin - LSU-Shreveport
Josh Drews - Mayville State University
Zach Rhodes - South Dakota State University

2011-2012

Joey Underwood - Bryan College
Alex Regan - Mount Olive College
Bretton Gouthro - Mount Olive College
Luke Barry - Mount Olive College
Riley Spencer - LSU-Shreveport

2007-2008

Tyler Tamayose - William Woods University
Tyler Aiken - Oklahoma Baptist University
Sheldon Jones - Oklahoma Baptist University
Matt Denny - William Woods University
Joel Blake - South Dakota State University
Jesse Sawyer - South Dakota State University
Ryan Williams - Mount Olive College
Tim Briand-Evans - Husson University

2010-2011

Greg Friesen - LSU-Shreveport
Cory Herback - University of Mary
Kale Wierenga - University of Texas-Brownsville
Kyle Muzechka - William Woods University

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

2001 - 2007

2006-2007

Jason Gradige - Mayville State University
Jeff Hall - University of British Columbia
Dylan Holton - Mount Olive College
Aaron Johnson - University of Illinois
Robbie Mang - University of Texas-Brownsville
Ryan MacDonald - University of Texas-Brownsville
Eric Nutzhorn - North Dakota State University
Garret Regan - Oklahoma City University

2005-2006

Mike Bultitude - William Woods University
Mark Dainty - LSU-Shreveport
Darrell Ellis - Mount Olive College
Clayton Howell - Campbellsville University
Scott Price - University of Texas-Brownsville Jacob
Yousif - University of Texas-Brownsville
Cole Balog - University of Los Angeles

2004-2005

Omar Kadir - University of Illinois
David Cooper - Mount Olive College
Derek Ewart - Bacone College
Justin Koch - William Woods University
Rob Greeno - Mayville State University
Mike Kicia - Mount Olive College
Tim Morgan - Mount Olive College
Taylor Oliwa - Bacone College
Lars Davis - University of Illinois
Kyle Kurtis - Mount Olive College
Temple MacDonald - Campbellsville University

2003-2004

Mark Bignell - LSU-Shreveport
Will Gardner - Eastern Oregon State University
Chris Kissock - Lewis Clark State College
Jay Livingston - University of Arkansas
David McElroy - Centenary University
Colin Moro - LSU-Shreveport
Nick Tillsly - University of Arkansas
Luis Roberts - LSU-Shreveport
Brandon Magierowski - LSU-Shreveport

2002-2003

Jon Mailman - University of Arkansas
Bevon Ledingham - University of Arkansas
Kevin Gregus - LSU-Shreveport
Jeremie Chabot - LSU-Shreveport
Jarred Schweitzer - University of Kansas
Devon Howarth - Harris Stowe University
Paul Ulan - Harris Stowe University
Bryon Dahl - University of Arkansas
Paul Gerlach - Oklahoma State University

2001-2002

Dustin Murray - University of Wisconsin
Rob Lacheur - University of New Mexico
Brad Kropinak - Mayville State University
Andy Mills - LSU-Shreveport
Brent Wandler - Mayville State University
Ken Falconer - University of Kansas

COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY

1995 - 2001

2000-2001

Ryan Handley - Southern Nazarene
Chris Jorgenson - Southern Nazarene
Aaron Lavorato - Wayne State University
Riley Barrett - San Diego State University
Colin Rudko - Missouri Valley University
Ryan Murphy - Cal Poly-Pomona University
Kevin Cheppenko - Oklahoma City University
Mike Coe - Henderson State University

1999-2000

Bryce Coppieters - University of Iowa
Aaron McRae - Nicholls State University
Tery Booner - LSU-Shreveport
Andre Duval - Wayne State University
Tyson Arishenkoff - LSU-Shreveport
Brooks Saunders - Southern Nazarene
Myles Fletcher - LSU-Shreveport
Sheldon Kruguer - Point Luma University
Sean Wilson - Southern Nazarene
Wade Freisen - Vanguard University

1998-1999

Jon Boruch - Nicholls State University
Allan Cantwell - LSU-Shreveport
Gary Moreas - Gonzaga University
Dave Muryn - Wayne State University
Kurtis Paskal - University of Iowa
Rob Watt - Wayne State University
Jared Whitehouse - Mayville State University
Craig Hern - Mayville State University

1997-1998

Jason Fraser - Mayville State University
Ryan Haines - Mayville State University
Glen Hutchinson - Nicholls State University
Brad Maloff - University of Nevada-Las Vegas
Chris Moreside - Mayville State University
Denny Puszkar - Mayville State University

1996-1997

Zach Murray - Nicholls State University
Delton Kruk - NW Missouri State University
Aqil Samuel - Viterbo College
Josh Gibb - Viterbo College
Shane Bascom - University of British Columbia
Brent Zulyniak - SW Oklahoma State

1995-1996

Les McTavish - Washington State University



COACHING STAFF

PRAIRIE BASEBALL ACADEMY



TODD HUBKA HEAD COACH

Todd Hubka has been with the Prairie Baseball Academy for 29 years, and 2026 marks his 16th season as head coach of the PBA Varsity program. Since taking over in 2011, Coach Hubka has led PBA to seven consecutive CCBC Championships—now known as the Canadian College World Series.

Coach Hubka grew up playing baseball in Claresholm before advancing to the Fort Macleod Royals American Legion Team from 1983-89. After high school, he played college ball at North Idaho College, where he earned All-Conference honors.

His coaching career began immediately after his playing days, joining PBA in the fall of 1996, and he has been a dedicated part of the program ever since.

A student of the game, Coach Hubka continually evolves his coaching methods to develop players both on and off the field. He lives with his girlfriend, Marcie, and is the proud father of three children and two grandchildren: Kelsey (33), Treyd (27), Ty (23), Bennett (9), and Kade (6).



RYAN MACDONALD ASSISTANT COACH

Ryan MacDonald is in his 17th year coaching with the Prairie Baseball Academy and his 15th at the Varsity level alongside Coach Hubka. Born and raised in Kennetcook, Nova Scotia, Ryan had a decorated playing career, representing Team Nova Scotia at the Canada Cup in 2002 and 2003, as well as the 2005 Canada Games in Regina, SK. He joined PBA in 2004, playing for three seasons before moving on to the University of Texas-Brownsville, where he was named to the 2008 All-Conference Team. He later earned his Bachelor of Arts in Kinesiology from the University of Lethbridge in 2012.

Ryan has an extensive coaching background, including serving as head coach of the Lethbridge Bulls from 2014 to 2016. Under his leadership, the Bulls recorded back-to-back

seasons with the best record in the WMBL and captured their first-ever WMBL Championship in 2015, going a perfect 9-0 in the playoffs. More recently, he has been an assistant coach with the Bulls, adding a second WCBL Championship to his resume in 2021.

Beyond the field, Ryan is a dedicated family man. He and his wife, Melissa, welcomed their baby boy in March 2024, joining their two daughters, Blakely (9) and Makenna (6).

Coach Hubka credits Ryan's commitment to the game and his passion for player development as key contributors to PBA's ongoing success over the past 17 years.



JOSH BURGMANN

PITCHING COACH



Josh Burgmann is in his 3rd season coaching with the Prairie Baseball Academy, bringing extensive playing and coaching experience to the program. Originally from Nanaimo, B.C., Josh attended the Vauxhall Academy of Baseball from 2013 to 2016 and was a key member of the Canadian Junior National Team, competing in international events across Australia, Japan, the Dominican Republic, and the U.S. He went on to play NCAA Division I baseball at the University of Washington, helping the Huskies reach their first-ever College World Series appearance in 2018. In 2019, he was named to the Golden Spikes Award watch list and was selected in the 5th round of the MLB Draft by the

Chicago Cubs. After spending time in the minor leagues, injuries led to his retirement from playing in 2022, shifting his focus to coaching.

Josh previously coached at Vauxhall Academy before joining PBA and is also the current Pitching Coach for the Lethbridge Bulls in the WCBL. He and his wife, Taylor, live in Lethbridge and enjoy being part of the baseball community in Southern Alberta.



MYLES FLETCHER

INFIELD COACH



A proud PBA alum, Myles Fletcher is back for his 4th year with the Prairie Baseball Academy, assisting with the infield group. Growing up in Lethbridge, Myles was a member of the local Little League, high school, and American Legion teams. In the fall of 1998, he joined the Prairie Baseball Academy, earning a spot on the varsity team.

After two years manning second base for the Prairie Dawgs, Myles continued his playing career in Shreveport, Louisiana, with the LSUS Pilots. Injuries and surgeries affected him over the next three years, and after the 2003 season, he had to hang up his spikes—albeit on a high note, as his Pilots finished third at the 2003 NAIA College World Series. This transition turned into a blessing in disguise, as it led Myles to coaching, where he spent several

years working with American Legion baseball.

Over the years, he has coached local high school, Alberta Baseball, and Little League teams. In 2023, Coach Hubka invited him to join the PBA staff to work with the infielders, a role he has embraced wholeheartedly.

"I get excited each and every day that I get to come to the Yard. I love this program, I love the coaches, and I love helping these boys succeed."

Away from the diamond, Myles lives in Lethbridge with his wife, Jackie, daughter Ava, and son Gavin.



TATE PEARCE HEAD COACH, JV



Tate was born and raised in Lethbridge and began his playing career at PBA in the fall of 2019 during his senior year of high school. He pitched a total of four seasons with the Prairie Baseball Academy, spending the spring of 2020 and 2021 on the junior varsity team before moving up to the varsity team for the 2022 and 2023 seasons.

Now in his third year coaching with PBA, Tate began his coaching career with the Lethbridge Bantam AAA team in the summer of 2022 and currently serves as an assistant coach with the Fort Macleod Royals American Legion 'A' team during the summers. He is also working toward

a Bachelor of Arts in Kinesiology at the University of Lethbridge. His academic background, combined with his playing and coaching experience, allows him to bring a well-rounded perspective to player development.

Tate is excited to continue sharing his love of the game with the players while passing along the lessons he learned during his time at PBA.



DAKOTA WHEATLEY ASSISTANT COACH, JV



Dakota Wheatley, hailing from Bawlf, Alberta, competed at Prairie Baseball Academy in Lethbridge and Okanagan College in Summerland, British Columbia. Certified in Youth Baseball Development through Driveline, Dakota brings extensive knowledge in hitting and infield development, along with a strong passion for teaching the game.

He previously coached the 15U Bulldogs fall team and served as Head Coach of the 18U BAEL Midwest Prairie Pirates in 2023 and 2024. Under his leadership, the Pirates earned a 1st-place AAA finish in 2023 and followed with a 6th-place finish in the Baseball Alberta Elite League in 2024. Now joining the Prairie

Baseball Academy coaching staff, Dakota is excited to give back to the program that helped shape his development and to continue working closely with athletes as they grow on and off the field.



VARSITY PRAIRIE BASEBALL ACADEMY

2026 VARSITY ROSTER

#	Player	Pos	Height	Weight	Hometown	School
35	Declan Andersen	INF	6'1	165	Red Deer, AB	Leth Polytechnic
32	Sean Bavis	RHP	6'6	185	Canmore, AB	Leth Polytechnic
8	Aiden Beck	RHP	6'2	160	Abbotsford, BC	Leth Polytechnic
5	Tommy Davidson	OF	5'11	160	Richmond, BC	U of L
44	Alex Fijal	RHP	6'4	225	Winnipeg, MB	Leth Polytechnic
33	Nate Garth	1B	6'1	215	Calgary, AB	Leth Polytechnic
28	Grady Gillies	RHP	5'10	185	Hayter, AB	U of L
26	Devon Hagel	C	5'10	185	Swalwell, AB	Leth Polytechnic
23	JJ Harnett	RHP	6'2	195	Medicine Hat, AB	U of L
16	Luke Hatcher	RHP	6'1	185	Conception Bay, NL	U of L
20	Logan Heaney	OF	6'1	205	Mississauga, ON	Leth Polytechnic
17	River Hope	RHP	6'3	215	Lethbridge, AB	Leth Polytechnic
6	Jackson Lascelle	UTL	6'3	195	Airdrie, AB	Leth Polytechnic
31	Oliver Lange-Brown	RHP	6'1	200	Toronto, ON	U of L
9	Matthew Larkin	C	6'2	215	Nepean, ON	U of L
19	Josh Macauley	LHP	6'6	245	Edmonton, AB	U of L
7	Aiden MacKenzie	INF	5'11	155	Headingley, MB	U of L
22	Hudson Meek-Toews	LHP	6'0	195	Winnipeg, MB	U of L
27	Jack Mortimer	OF	6'0	195	Prince Albert, SK	Leth Polytechnic
1	Tetsu Nishida	INF	5'8	170	Calgary, AB	Leth Polytechnic
18	Declan O'Kane	OF	6'3	225	Kanata, ON	U of L
51	Will Paterson	RHP	6'1	190	Surrey, BC	Leth Polytechnic
14	Ben Puszkar	RHP	5'10	205	Lethbridge, AB	Leth Polytechnic
15	Willis Takahashi	C	6'0	205	Lethbridge, AB	Leth Polytechnic
13	Will Turner	INF	6'0	180	Calgary, AB	Leth Polytechnic
4	Nathan Webb	OF	5'10	180	Cole Harbour, NS	U of L
34	Zach Willard	RHP	6'4	175	Abbotsford, BC	Leth Polytechnic
12	Zak Wright	RHP	6'1	185	Claresholm, AB	Leth Polytechnic



2026 VARSITY SCHEDULE

Date	Location	Opponent	Time	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
27-Feb	Twin Falls, ID	College of Southern Idaho	2:00PM	15-Apr	Calgary, AB	University of Calgary	3:00PM
28-Feb	Twin Falls, ID	College of Southern Idaho	12:00PM	18-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	University of Fraser Valley	12:00PM
28-Feb	Twin Falls, ID	College of Southern Idaho	3:00PM	18-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	University of Fraser Valley	3:00PM
1-Mar	Twin Falls, ID	College of Southern Idaho	11:00AM	19-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	University of Fraser Valley	12:00PM
6-Mar	Salt Lake, UT	Salt Lake Community College	12:00PM	19-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	University of Fraser Valley	3:00PM
6-Mar	Salt Lake, UT	Salt Lake Community College	3:00PM	22-Apr	Calgary, AB	University of Calgary	12:00PM
7-Mar	Salt Lake, UT	Salt Lake Community College	12:00PM	22-Apr	Calgary, AB	University of Calgary	3:00PM
7-Mar	Salt Lake, UT	Salt Lake Community College	3:00PM	2-May	Lethbridge, AB	Okanagan College	12:00PM
20-Mar	Vancouver, BC	University Baseball Club	5:00PM	2-May	Lethbridge, AB	Okanagan College	3:00PM
21-Mar	Vancouver, BC	University Baseball Club	12:00PM	3-May	Lethbridge, AB	Okanagan College	11:00AM
21-Mar	Vancouver, BC	University Baseball Club	3:00PM	3-May	Lethbridge, AB	Okanagan College	2:00PM
22-Mar	Vancouver, BC	University Baseball Club	12:00PM	9-May	Lethbridge, AB	Thomson Rivers University	12:00PM
27-Mar	Nanaimo, BC	Vancouver Island University	5:00PM	9-May	Lethbridge, AB	Thomson Rivers University	3:00PM
28-Mar	Nanaimo, BC	Vancouver Island University	12:00PM	10-May	Lethbridge, AB	Thomson Rivers University	11:00AM
28-Mar	Nanaimo, BC	Vancouver Island University	3:00PM	10-May	Lethbridge, AB	Thomson Rivers University	2:00PM
29-Mar	Nanaimo, BC	Vancouver Island University	11:00AM	15-May	Lethbridge, AB	Edmonton Collegiate	12:00PM
4-Apr	Edmonton, AB	Edmonton Collegiate	12:00PM	15-May	Lethbridge, AB	Edmonton Collegiate	3:00PM
4-Apr	Edmonton, AB	Edmonton Collegiate	3:00PM	16-May	Calgary, AB	University of Calgary	12:00PM
5-Apr	Edmonton, AB	Edmonton Collegiate	11:00AM	16-May	Calgary, AB	University of Calgary	3:00PM
5-Apr	Edmonton, AB	Edmonton Collegiate	2:00PM	21-May	Lethbridge, AB	CA College World Series	TBD
10-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	Victoria Collegiate	3:00PM	22-May	Lethbridge, AB	CA College World Series	TBD
11-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	Victoria Collegiate	12:00PM	23-May	Lethbridge, AB	CA College World Series	TBD
11-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	Victoria Collegiate	3:00PM	24-May	Lethbridge, AB	CA College World Series	TBD
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15-Apr	Calgary, AB	University of Calgary	12:00PM				

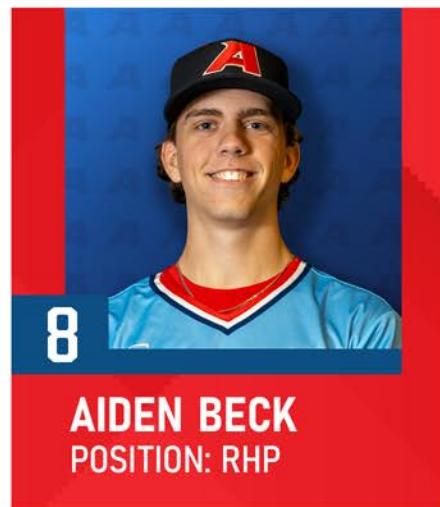
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DECLAN ANDERSEN
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SEAN BAVIS
POSITION: RHP



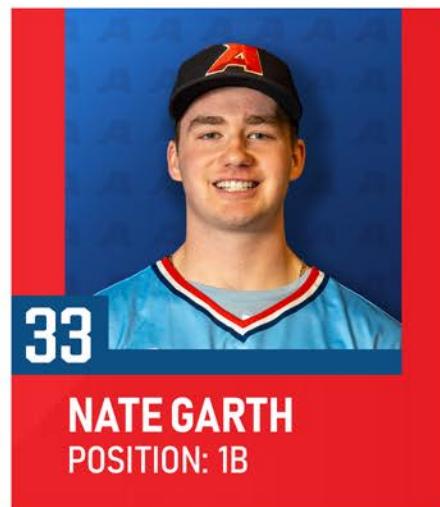
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AIDEN BECK
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TOMMY DAVIDSON
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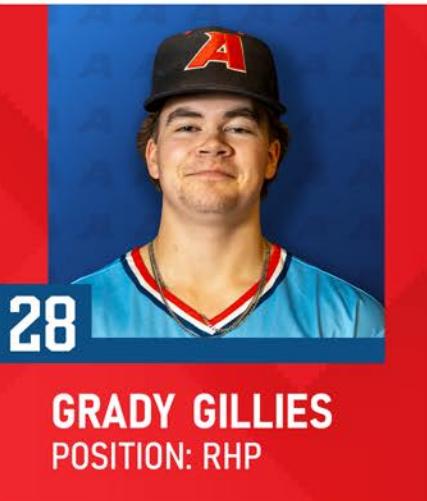


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ALEX FIJAL
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NATE GARTH
POSITION: 1B

2026 VARSITY HEADSHOTS



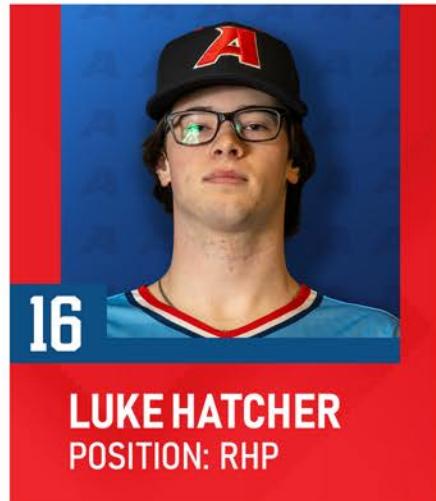
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GRADY GILLIES
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DEVON HAGEL
POSITION: C



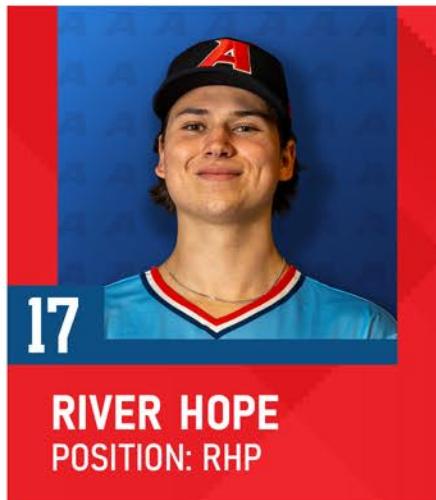
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LUKE HATCHER
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LOGAN HEANEY
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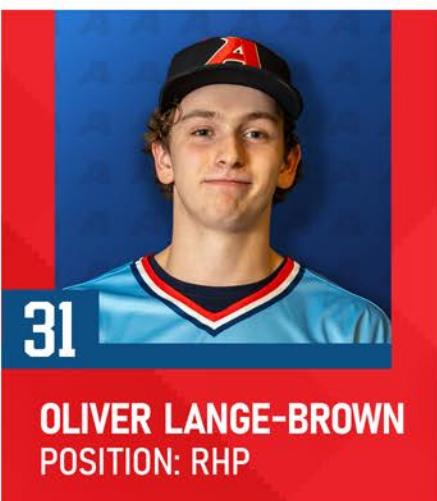
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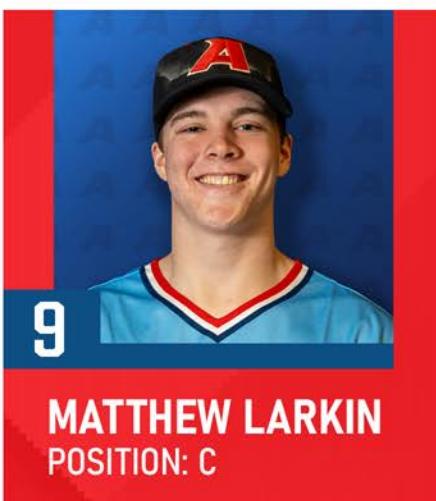
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JACKSON LASCELLE
POSITION: UTL



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OLIVER LANGE-BROWN
POSITION: RHP



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MATTHEW LARKIN
POSITION: C



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JOSH MACAULEY
POSITION: LHP

2026 VARSITY HEADSHOTS



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AIDEN MACKENZIE
POSITION: INF



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HUDSON MEEK-TOEWS
POSITION: LHP



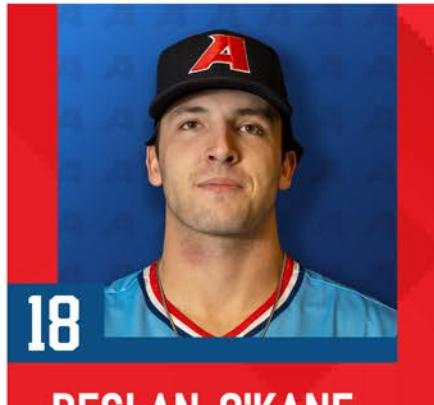
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JACK MORTIMER
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TETSU NISHIDA
POSITION: INF



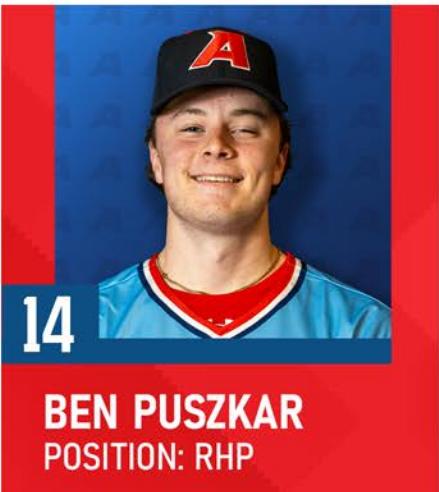
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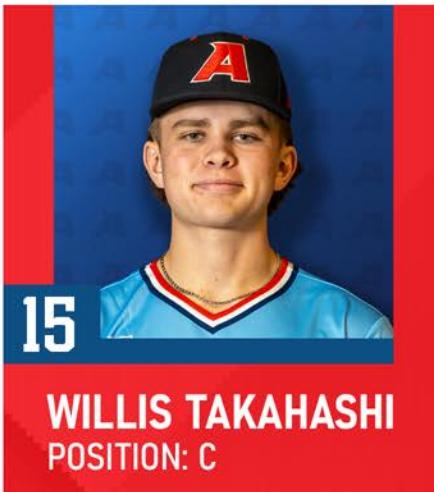
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WILL PATERSON
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BEN PUSZKAR
POSITION: RHP



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WILLIS TAKAHASHI
POSITION: C



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WILL TURNER
POSITION: INF

2026 VARSITY HEADSHOTS



23

JJ HARNETT
POSITION: RHP



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NATHAN WEBB
POSITION: OF



12

ZACH WILLARD
POSITION: RHP



12

ZAK WRIGHT
POSITION: RHP



PRAIRIE BASEBALL ACADEMY

JUNIOR VARSITY



2026 JUNIOR VARSITY ROSTER

#	Player	Pos	Height	Weight	Hometown	School
34	Cole Baines	1B	6'4	170	Delta, BC	Leth Polytechnic
22	Oliver Bent	INF/RHP	6'0	180	Bowmanville, ON	U of L
32	Will Bieschke	LHP	6'4	200	Calgary, AB	U of L
29	Nolan Brown	RHP	6'2	180	Bowmanville, ON	Leth Polytechnic
7	Tanner Bullock	RHP	5'11	185	Taber, AB	Leth Polytechnic
16	Nick Carpenter	OF	5'10	180	Calgary, AB	U of L
21	Adam Craig	RHP	5'8	205	Saanichton, BC	Leth Polytechnic
11	Jackson Davis	RHP	5'11	150	Calgary, AB	Leth Polytechnic
2	Ethan Debiuk	UTL	5'9	150	Gonor, MB	U of L
12	Grayson Diebert	INF	5'9	155	Red Deer, AB	Leth Polytechnic
35	AJ Dubeau	INF/RHP	6'2	175	Sudbury, ON	Leth Polytechnic
23	Ryan George	RHP	6'2	210	St. John's, NL	U of L
31	Dante Green	RHP	6'3	175	Edmonton, AB	Leth Polytechnic
26	Daniel Kambeitz	RHP	6'2	200	Lethbridge, AB	HS
51	Jude Klassen	C	5'11	185	Red Deer, AB	Leth Polytechnic
8	Ezra Krulicki	OF	6'2	185	Wellesley, ON	HS
14	Hayden Mackedenski	RHP	6'3	200	Rossburn, MB	Leth Polytechnic
1	Cooper McCooeye	INF	5'10	160	Morrisburg, ON	Leth Polytechnic
44	Parker McLaughlin	INF	5'9	165	Jenner, AB	Leth Polytechnic
4	Jarret McNeill	RHP	6'0	185	Coaldale, AB	Leth Polytechnic
5	Michael Micyk	RHP	6'2	180	White Rock, BC	U of L
17	Tace Morris	INF	5'11	140	Rocky View County, AB	Leth Polytechnic
28	Graham Noseworthy	INF/RHP	5'10	175	St. John's, NL	Leth Polytechnic
19	Hayden Oberg	RHP	6'2	210	North Battleford, SK	Leth Polytechnic
33	Roman Pavka	1B	6'4	240	Duchess, AB	Leth Polytechnic
6	Rylan Ramsay	OF	5'11	185	Lacombe, AB	Leth Polytechnic
9	Burke Schulte-Bates	OF	6'2	200	Red Deer, AB	Leth Polytechnic
20	Parker Spence	C	5'11	145	Lloydminster, AB	Leth Polytechnic
13	Jared Stauffer	LHP	6'4	160	Ladysmith, BC	Leth Polytechnic
18	Lukas Towsley	RHP	5'10	185	Coquitlam, BC	Leth Polytechnic
15	Alex Weeks	OF	5'10	180	Mission, BC	Leth Polytechnic
RS	Antonio Juarez	LHP	5'11	180	Red Deer, AB	Leth Polytechnic
RS	Noah Drew	RHP	6'1	220	Nanaimo, BC	Leth Polytechnic

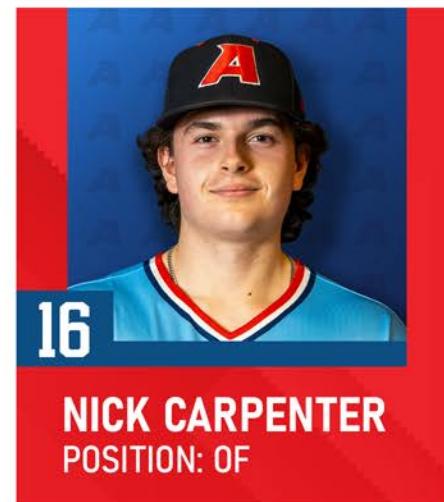
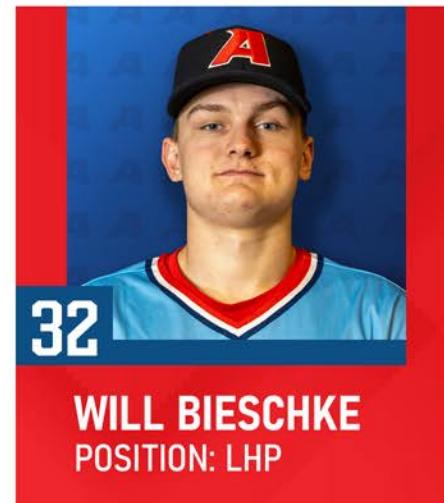
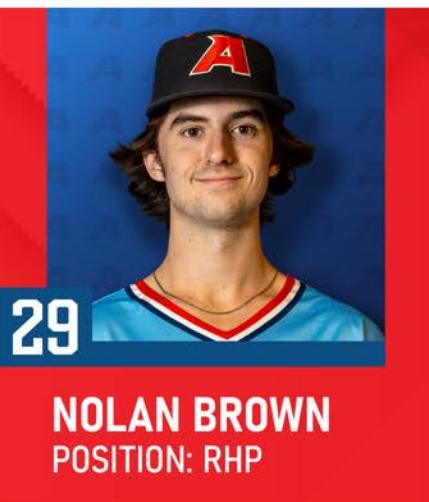
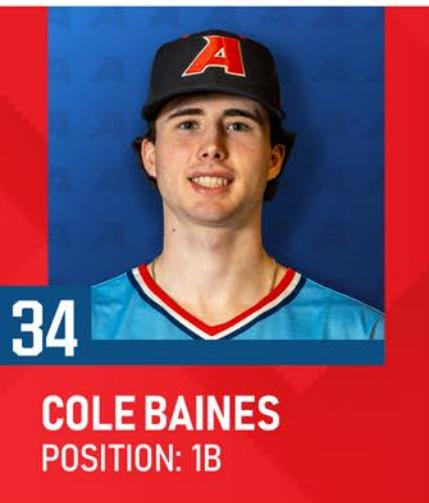


2026 JR. VARSITY SCHEDULE

Date	Location	Opponent	Time	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
7-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Vauxhall Academy	12:00PM	18-Apr	Okotoks, AB	Okotoks Academy	3:00PM
7-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Vauxhall Academy	3:00PM	19-Apr	Okotoks, AB	Okotoks Academy	12:00PM
8-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Vauxhall Academy	12:00PM	19-Apr	Okotoks, AB	Okotoks Academy	3:00PM
8-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Vauxhall Academy	3:00PM	23-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	PBA JV Tournament	TBD
14-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Calgary Blues	11:00AM	24-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	PBA JV Tournament	TBD
14-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Lethbridge Longhorns	2:00PM	25-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	PBA JV Tournament	TBD
15-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Calgary Blues	11:00AM	26-Apr	Lethbridge, AB	PBA JV Tournament	TBD
15-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Lethbridge Longhorns	2:00PM				
21-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Calgary Bucks	12:00PM				
21-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Calgary Bucks	3:00PM				
22-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Calgary Bucks	12:00PM				
22-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Calgary Bucks	3:00PM				
28-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Vauxhall Academy	11:00AM				
28-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Gulls Prep	4:00PM				
29-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Vauxhall Academy	11:00AM				
29-Mar	Lethbridge, AB	Gulls Prep	4:00PM				
4-Apr	Vauxhall, AB	Vauxhall Academy	12:00PM				
4-Apr	Vauxhall, AB	Vauxhall Academy	3:00PM				
5-Apr	Vauxhall, AB	Vauxhall Academy	12:00PM				
5-Apr	Vauxhall, AB	Vauxhall Academy	3:00PM				
11-Apr	Okotoks, AB	Okotoks Academy	12:00PM				
11-Apr	Okotoks, AB	Okotoks Academy	3:00PM				
12-Apr	Okotoks, AB	Okotoks Academy	12:00PM				
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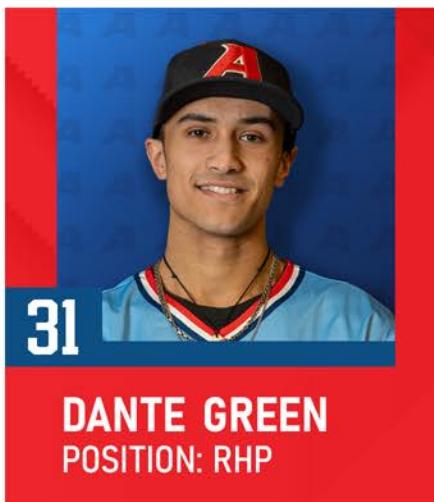
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RYAN GEORGE
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DANTE GREEN
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DANIEL KAMBEITZ
POSITION: RHP



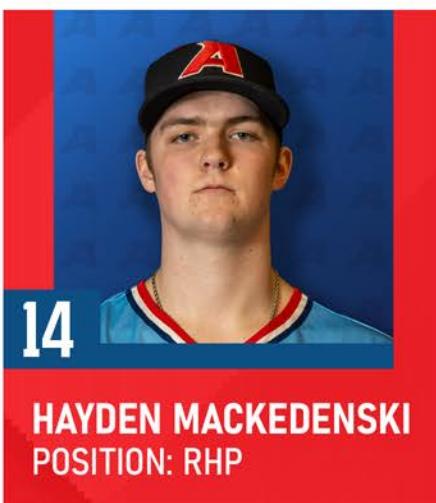
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EZRA KRULICKI
POSITION: OF



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HAYDEN MACKEDENSKI
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COOPER MCCOOEYE
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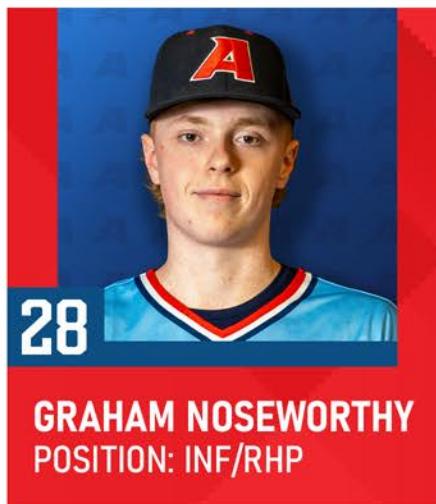
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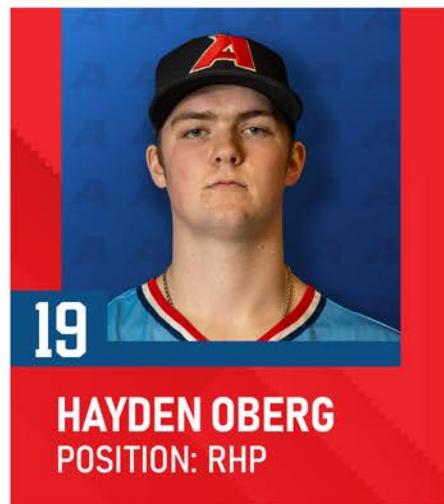
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TACE MORRIS
POSITION: INF



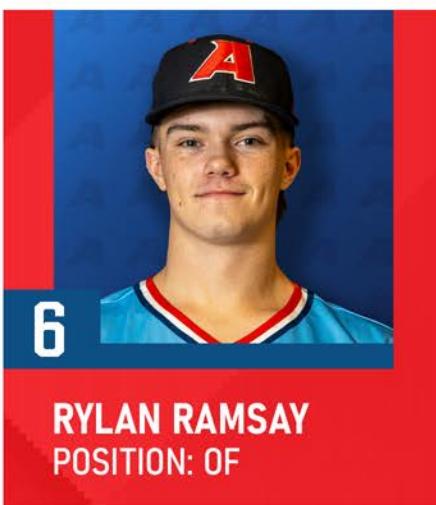
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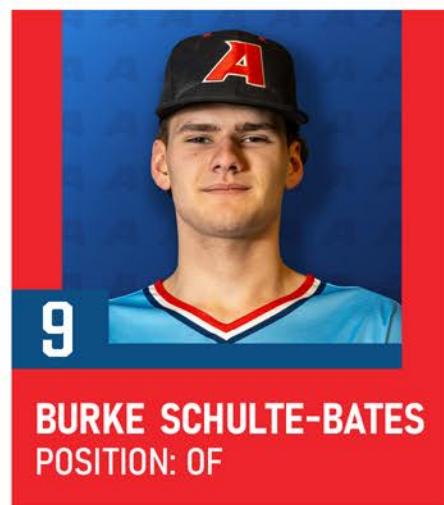
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ROMAN PAVKA
POSITION: 1B



RYLAN RAMSAY
POSITION: OF



BURKE SCHULTE-BATES
POSITION: OF

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PARKER SPENCE
POSITION: C



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JARED STAUFFER
POSITION: LHP



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LUKAS TOWSLEY
POSITION: RHP



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ALEX WEEKS
POSITION: OF



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ANTONIO JUAREZ
POSITION: LHP



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NOAH DREW
POSITION: RHP



SINGLE SEASON OFFENSE RECORDS

AT BATS		BATTING AVERAGE			HOME RUNS		
Cory Scammell	233	2016	Shandi Toker	.451	1996	Ryan Pidhaichuk	12
Carter Claerhout	208	2022	Jeremie Chabot	.420	2003	Brett Brittany	10
Carter Claerhout	205	2023	Denny Puszkar	.415	1998	Justin Scott	8
Bretton Gouthro	205	2012	Carter Claerhout	.410	2023	Carter Claerhout	8
2 others tied at	203		Aqil Samuel	.403	1997	Carter Witbeck	8
HITS		STOLEN BASES			WALKS		
Cory Scammell	92	2016	Colin Rudko	36	2001	Brett Brittany	37
Carter Claerhout	84	2023	Chris Moreside	35	1998	Evan Comeau	37
Curtis Beaudoin	75	2008	Denny Puszkar	35	1998	Ryan Pidhaichuk	36
Carter Claerhout	71	2022	Bryce Coppieters	31	2000	Luke Barry	36
Bretton Gouthro	70	2012	Jason Fraser	31	1998	Ryan Pidhaichuk	34
RBI		DOUBLES			HIT BY PITCH		
Cory Scammell	64	2016	Cory Scammell	26	2016	Ryan Pidhaichuk	25
Carter Claerhout	57	2022	Riley Barret	22	2001	Denny Puszkar	20
Curtis Beaudoin	55	2009	Curtis Beaudoin	21	2009	Bryce Coppieters	18
Jay Livingston	55	2004	3 others tied at	19		Matt Denney	15
Ryan Pidhaichuk	54	2013				Aaron Lavorato	13
RUNS		TRIPLES			ON BASE %		
Evan Comeau	65	2013	Zach Rhodes	8	2008	Jared Schweitzer	.667
Ryan Pidhaichuk	64	2013	Brett Brittany	7	2017	Denny Puszkar	.545
Colin Rudko	55	2001	Dustin Braun	7	2016	Ryan Pidhaichuk	.543
Denny Puszkar	54	1998	Curtis Beaudoin	7	2009	Gary Moreas	.541
Cory Scammell	52	2016				Rob Mang	.533
							2007

SINGLE SEASON PITCHING RECORDS

APPEARANCES			WINS			E.R.A.		
Ryan Handley	23	2001	Alex Regan	11	2012	Omar Kadir	1.09	2005
Liam Bilodeau-Minty	21	2023	Ryan Koback	10	2002	Alex Tufts	1.38	2009
Colby Snider	21	2023	Greg Hollman	9	2017	Mark Dainty	1.48	2005
3 others tied at	21	2016	Alex Tufts	9	2009	James Huck	1.50	2002
			7 others tied at	8		Luis Roberts	1.54	2004

INNINGS PITCHED			STRIKEOUTS			SAVES		
Alex Regan	92 1/3	2012	Jared Libke	100	2016	Archie Davies	10	2012
Jared Libke	90	2016	Brad Cuthbertson	96	2005	Dylan Theroux	6	2015
Luis Roberts	81 2/3	2004	Luis Roberts	92	2004	Joseph Bews	5	2025
Alex Tufts	78 1/3	2009	Alex Regan	89	2012	4 others tied at	4	
Omar Kadir	74 2/3	2005	Shane Dawson	89	2012			

OPPONENT BATTING AVERAGE

Omar Kadir	.128	2005
Mike Bultitude	.133	2006
Mitch Schaafsma	.141	2009
Terry Bonnar	.152	1999
James Fisher	.156	2004

CAREER OFFENSE RECORDS

AT BATS		BATTING AVERAGE			HOME RUNS		
Carter Claerhout	413	2022-23	Aqil Samuel	.397	1996-97	Ryan Pidhaichuk	17
Cory Scammell	396	2015-16	Curtis Beaudoin	.386	2008-09	Brett Brittany	15
Zach Rhodes	370	2008-09	Jared Schweitzer	.386	2002-03	Carter Claerhout	13
Bretton Gouthro	356	2011-12	Carter Claerhout	.375	2022-23	Jesse Sawyer	10
2 others tied at	356	2012-13	Cory Scammell	.371	2015-16	Tyler Klippenstein	10
HITS		STOLEN BASES			WALKS		
Carter Claerhout	155	2022-23	Colin Rudko	66	2000-01	Ryan Pidhaichuk	70
Cory Scammell	147	2015-16	Denny Puszkar	57	1997-98	Evan Comeau	63
Bretton Gouthro	123	2011-12	David Cooper	56	2004-05	Mitch Dornblut	59
Zach Rhodes	120	2008-09	Bretton Gouthro	53	2011-12	Brett Brittany	54
2 others tied at	117		Jason Fraser	53	1997-98	Luke Barry	54
RBI		DOUBLES			HIT BY PITCH		
Cory Scammell	103	2015-16	Cory Scammell	40	2015-16	Denny Puszkar	40
Carter Claerhout	102	2022-23	Carter Claerhout	35	2008-09	Ryan Pidhaichuk	35
Travis Steinke	86	2012-13	Zach Rhodes	30	2008-09	Bryce Coppieters	27
Greg Friesen	83	2010-11	Temple MacDonald	28	2004-05	Dylan McKenna	22
Zach Rhodes	82	2008-09	Joel Blake	26	2007-08	Aaron Lavorato	22
RUNS		TRIPLES			ON BASE %		
Evan Comeau	104	2012-13	Brett Brittany	13	2016-17	Denny Puszkar	.508
Colin Rudko	100	2000-01	Zach Rhodes	11	2008-09	Colin Rudko	.493
Carter Claerhout	95	2022-23	Dustin Braun	8	2015-16	Rob Watt	.493
Dalton Wells	93	2017-18	Dalton Wells	8	2017-18	Aaron McRae	.478
Ryan Pidhaichuk	92	2012-13				Allan Cantwell	.469
							1998-99



CAREER PITCHING RECORDS

APPEARANCES			WINS			E.R.A.		
Colby Snider	40	2022-23	Ryan Koback	18	2001-02	Luis Roberts	1.65	2003-04
Liam Bilodeau-Minty	38	2022-23	Rhett Feser	14	2016-17	Omar Kadir	1.85	2004-05
Dylan Theroux	35	2015-16	Tanner Jesson-Dalton	13	2016-17	Alex Regan	2.51	2011-12
Mitch Schaafsma	35	2009-10	4 others tied at	12		Rob Lacheur	2.67	2001-02
2 others tied at	33					Ryan Koback	3.57	2001-02
INNINGS PITCHED			STRIKEOUTS			SAVES		
Alex Tufts	146 1/3	2009-10	Luis Roberts	159	2003-04	Archie Davies	17	2012-13
Tanner Jesson-Dalton	135 2/3	2016-17	Tanner Jesson-Dalton	140	2016-17	Dylan Theroux	9	2015-16
Luis Roberts	135 2/3	2003-04	Max Benton	124	2022-23	Joseph Bews	8	2024-2025
Andrew Grieder	130 1/3	2015-16	Alex Regan	122	2011-12	Andrew MacLean	7	2006-07
Darrell Ellis	128 1/3	2005-06	Hayden Chies	119	2010-11	Kale Wierenga	5	2010-11
OPPONENT BATTING AVERAGE								
Omar Kadir	.158	2004-05						
Hayden Chies	.160	2010-11						
Luis Roberts	.187	2003-04						
Mac Batchelor	.207	2008-09						
Ryan Williams	.213	2007-08						



PBA OFFICE TEAM



ROB GREENO
PBA Chairman

Rob grew up in Lethbridge and developed a love for baseball at a young age. He began playing for SW Little League and continued through the Canadians, American Legion, and eventually Prairie Baseball Academy (PBA). After completing his baseball career and schooling at Mayville State University in North Dakota, Rob returned to Lethbridge to contribute to the baseball community.

He has served as a director on the PBA Board for six years and has been the president of the PBA Alumni Association for four years, building a strong sense of community among former players.

Rob lives in Lethbridge with his wife Mindy and their two sons, Liam and Levi. He is also part owner of Asyma Solutions, a management consulting firm, where he brings his leadership and business expertise to the table.



MEL COLLIER
PBA Vice Chairman

Several years ago, Mel began his journey in baseball by coaching and volunteering as an umpire for Little League. Before that, he was involved in playing, coaching, umpiring, and serving as president of men's slowpitch.

Recently, Mel has enjoyed some time on the golf course and was part of the committee that hosted the 2008 Canadian Men's Championships at Paradise Canyon. He is also an active member of the committee that hosts the Canadian Junior Little League Championships in Lethbridge and volunteers on several other boards.

A huge baseball fan, Mel has thoroughly enjoyed his years on the PBA Board of Directors. Now that he is retired, he is able to devote more time to the development of baseball throughout southern Alberta.



KEVIN KVAME
UTLSE CEO

Kevin, originally from Fort Macleod, has been influential in baseball since 1985, starting American Legion baseball in his hometown and aiding in their stadium development. He has held various roles in Little League, including President of Fort Macleod Little League and District Administrator for Southwestern Alberta. Notably, he served as Tournament Director for 11 National Championships.

Kevin co-founded the Lethbridge Bulls in 1999 and became its President and General Manager in 2005, now part of Prairie Baseball Academy under Under the Lights Sports and Entertainment. Additionally, he was the President of the Alberta Amateur Baseball Council from 2000 to 2011, contributing significantly to the provincial baseball scene.

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GLENDY KURTZ

Secretary/Key Volunteer

Glenda has been with the Bulls and Under the Lights since 2009. Over the past 7 years, she has had a new role in her life. That being Grandma to 3 boys and 2 girls and now can often be seen at the park with the kids.

She has downsized her role in the organization but still works as a key volunteer at many events. Glenda has been a major part of the Canadian College World Series for a few years, organizing the food services and providing meals to the players, coaches and volunteers. She also helps out with the banquet, golf tournament and any other area needed. She has worked full time for the past 25 year at R.I. Baker Middle School in Coaldale as an Administration Assistant.



JESSE SAWYER

Academic Advisor/Director

Jesse Sawyer is an alumnus of the Prairie Baseball Academy and a former coach who left a lasting impact on the program. As a player, Jesse was a key contributor to the varsity team in 2007-08 before continuing his career and academic pursuits at South Dakota State University. Sawyer excelled both on the field and in the classroom, leaving SDSU with the single-season (19) and career home run records (50), while completing his degree in education in 2012.

After his playing career, Jesse transitioned into coaching, dedicating six years to mentoring the Junior Varsity team, as well as spending five summers coaching the hometown Lethbridge Bulls. His leadership and knowledge of the game helped develop countless athletes both young and old, solidifying his reputation as a top-tier coach in the city. Today, Jesse is a full-time teacher at Lethbridge Collegiate Institute. Outside of work, he's a dedicated family man, cherishing time with his wife Emily and their energetic son, Jackson (3).



KATIE ANKERMANN

Director at Large

Since 1996, Katie has been deeply involved in the baseball community in Lethbridge. Her three sons have played at various levels, including Little League, Big League Giants, American Legion, Prairie Baseball, and the Lethbridge Bulls. Katie has volunteered at each of these stages and continues to contribute in any way possible to make a positive impact.

One of her family's goals was to create a haunted house at Spitz Stadium, which led to the creation of "Field of Screams." The funds raised from this event have supported scholarships for players at Prairie Baseball Academy. This initiative has been a great success, and the family hopes it will continue to grow in the future.

Prairie Baseball played a significant role in shaping her sons into the well-rounded individuals they are today. As the family expands with grandchildren, Katie looks forward to seeing them experience the incredible baseball community as well.



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COLE LENCUCHA

Director at Large

A former standout at Prairie Baseball Academy and a key player for the Lethbridge Bulls, Cole Lencucha has remained deeply connected to the baseball community in Lethbridge. As a current Director at Large for PBA, he plays a crucial role in supporting the program's stability and growth.

Beyond the ballpark, Cole is an avid outdoorsman who enjoys hunting and fishing. His passion for the outdoors is matched only by his dedication to family, making him a respected figure both within the baseball world and in his local community.



JUSTIN LOGAN

Treasurer

Justin is the oldest child of Cal and Tracey Logan and grew up on the ranch south of Oyen. He attended K-12 in Oyen, graduating in 2014. Justin played baseball, hockey and school sports until Grade 10 when baseball became his primary focus. Justin was a Badlands Badger from 2011-2014 and then played for the PBA Dawgs in Lethbridge from 2014-2017. Justin graduated from Lethbridge College with a Business Diploma and then continued on to the University of Lethbridge where he achieved his Bachelor of Management degree.

Following graduation from the U of L he moved to Medicine Hat where he started working for MNP.



CINDY ADACHI

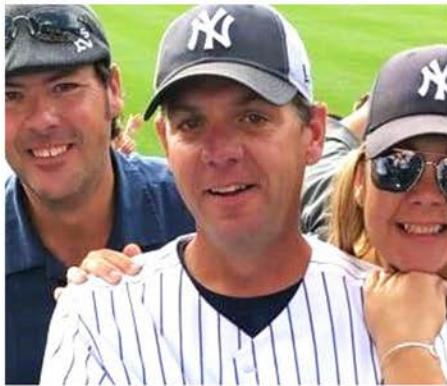
Official PBA Photographer

Cindy's involvement with baseball began when Dr. Al Trautman, whom she works with, gave her tickets to watch his son play American Legion Baseball. A longtime hockey fan who was rarely seen without her camera, she quickly developed a love for the game and soon found herself spending summers and falls at the ballpark, capturing moments both on and off the field.

While photography is a big part of her role, Cindy's contributions to Prairie Baseball Academy go far beyond game-day action shots. She is a key part of the program, documenting banquets, team events, and special moments that bring the PBA community together. Her dedication and passion make her an invaluable member of the PBA family, ensuring that the memories made both on and off the diamond are preserved for years to come.



PBA OFFICE TEAM



BRENT RADLINSKY

Director of Operations

Brent, originally from Fort Macleod, has been involved in baseball since 1997, primarily as an umpire. He is currently the Director of Operations at Under the Lights Sports and Entertainment, where he oversees responsibilities such as apparel, Spitz Stadium branding, and game-day operations. His experience includes attending pro umpire school and serving as President of the Southern Alberta Umpire Association.

In addition to his operational role, Brent is often the MC at events hosted by the Prairie Baseball Academy and is regularly involved in supporting and assisting with various aspects of the program. His passion for baseball, leadership, and organizational skills ensure the smooth execution of events, making him an integral part of the team and contributing to the ongoing success of the program.



CARTER POTTS

Finance Officer

Carter, a Medicine Hat native, relocated to Lethbridge in 2015 and joined UTLSE and PBA in January 2024 as the Finance Officer. While he does not come from a baseball background, he brings a fresh perspective to the organization, using his financial expertise to support its long-term success. His role involves overseeing financial operations, ensuring stability, and implementing strategies to promote growth within UTLSE and PBA.

His strong analytical skills and commitment to excellence have made him a valuable asset to the team. Carter's ability to adapt and contribute in a fast-paced environment speaks to his dedication and work ethic. Beyond his professional role, he embraces new challenges and opportunities, always striving to make a positive impact within the organization.



VALERIE WALLACE

Chief Administrative Officer

Valerie, a Lethbridge native, joined UTLSE and PBA in April 2023 as the Chief Administrative Officer. Her extensive baseball history dates back to 1991 when she began as an umpire assigner for Lethbridge Little League Southwest. Over the years, she has taken on key leadership roles, including District Administrator of LLA District #1, LLA Board of Directors member, Secretary of the District Board, LL Canada Board Member and Prairie Division Director, AABC Board Member, and Tournament Chairman.

Her deep-rooted connection to baseball runs in the family, with her father's involvement in semi-pro baseball playing a significant role in shaping her passion for the sport. Beyond baseball, Valerie is a 14-year cancer survivor, a testament to her resilience and dedication in both her personal and professional life.



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NATE THOMAS-WALL

Administrative/Customer Service

Nate, originally from Medicine Hat, has called Lethbridge home since 2015 and joined the ULTSE and PBA teams in November 2024. With a couple years of Little League under his belt as a kid and being a fan of the Blue Jays, Nate's sports resume also includes nearly 20 years in the lacrosse world as a lacrosse player, referee, and skills coach, along with 6 years in the hockey industry as a former talk show host and current board member for the local Coaldale Copperheads. Now, he's excited to bring his unique blend of a passion for sports with a background in marketing to the Spitz Stadium Administration team and assisting in elevating the fan experience at Spitz Stadium to make every game a grand slam for fans.



BRUCE LINDQUIST

Multimedia & Design

In 2009, Bruce opened Windows Movie Maker on his school computer and discovered his passion for creating videos. That passion led him to the University of Lethbridge, where he graduated from the New Media program in 2018. He then worked as a video editor, refining his craft across countless projects.

A former pitcher at Willow Creek Composite High School, Bruce has always had a deep love for baseball. In May 2024, he combined his passion for the game with his creative expertise by joining the Under the Lights Sports and Entertainment team. Specializing in graphic design, video editing, motion graphics, and drone operation, he plays a key role in shaping the visual identity of baseball teams and organizations.



Blair Takahashi

Photography

Blair is a sports photographer focused on capturing the moments that matter — the emotion, the action, and the details that make the game unforgettable.

He occasionally works with the Prairie Baseball Academy, and we're grateful for the time and talent he shares to help document our athletes and their stories. His work reflects a deep respect for the game and the people in it, and we appreciate his continued willingness to support PBA whenever he's able.



PRAIRIE BASEBALL ACADEMY

A sincere thank you to everyone who generously contributes their time, energy, and support to the PBA. Your dedication and passion help make the PBA experience unforgettable and it's because of your efforts that we continue to build a strong and thriving baseball community for players and fans alike.