

Mount Pearl Sports Team Honour Roll 1975 Senior Men's All NFLD Basketball Champs Inducted in

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Members: Charlie Decker, John Emberley, Brian Maloney, Clint Myer, John Pottle, John Pye, Frank Scurrey, Wayne Stanford and Dave Stevens.

With Canada having so many rising stars in the game of basketball and even its own NBA team, along with the associated exposure provided by the media, there is little doubt as to why it is one of the most popular sports to watch or play. The inventor of the sport, Canadian born James Naismith would have been both honored and proud if he were alive and could drive into any neighborhood in Mount Pearl to observe the level of interest in this sport in our fair city. Back in 1971, nine enthusiastic and talented players perused a dream for their sponsor, themselves, and the Town of Mount Pearl – a dream that began when they approached the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 36 in Mount Pearl for a sponsorship. These players represented Mount Pearl and the Legion in both the local St. John's senior league and All Newfoundland competitions for eight years. During that era, the Mount Pearl Legion teams won several Senior Men's Championships in the St. John's league. The icing on the cake however was in 1975 when the team defeated several teams from St. John's, Corner Brook, and finally the U.S Naval Argentina Seals in the Championship game 83-81 to capture Mount Pearl's first Senior Men's Basketball All Newfoundland title.