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**Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame Inductee**  
**Sherry Morrissey**  
*Athlete 2008*



Sherry Morrissey enjoyed exceptional personal and team successes within six sports during a 40-year athletic career. At local, provincial and national competitions she demonstrated outstanding athletic ability and combined great speed with a high level agility as she performed at impressive levels. Her lengthy and rewarding athletic career started while she was a student at Morris Academy and Mount Pearl Central High. She excelled as a member of teams in ice hockey, soccer, softball, track and field, basketball and volleyball. It was at this stage of her career that she clearly demonstrated the great skill and determination that was to be the foundation for her future achievements. Indeed, her overall performances earned her selection as St. John's Female Athlete of the Year in 1988.

After moving to British Columbia, Sherry's softball achievements include being a valuable member of two Canadian senior female championship teams and two selections as an All-Star at a national championship. She won the batting title at a major prominent tournament in the U.S. and owns several Western Canada masters championships. On five occasions she represented Newfoundland and Labrador at Canadian championships where she utilized her speed and

her strong and accurate throwing arm to stand out as both an infielder and an outfielder. At all five championships she was among the top batters on her team.

Sherry started playing softball in the Mount Pearl Ladies League in the late 1970's and was the top award winner for three years. She moved into the more competitive St. John's Ladies Senior "A" League where she starred for nine years with six league championships and five individual awards to her credit. She continued her exceptional play at the provincial level and was a member of two clubs that won the Newfoundland and Labrador senior title.

Sherry's soccer career lasted from the late 1970's until the early 1990's and was filled with such success that the Newfoundland and Labrador Soccer Association named her provincial female player of the 1980's. This was a worthy selection as she stood out each and every season especially as a striker who could score. Her record includes team championships, individual awards (especially scoring titles) and several performances at national competitions. She was among the finest soccer players of her decade. The playoff MVP award for provincial Jubilee Cup soccer has been named after her.

As a member of the Mount Pearl Blades, Sherry enjoyed high-level success as a defenseman in the Newfoundland Ladies Hockey League for eight years, being named an all-star each season. She represented Newfoundland and Labrador extremely well in four national championships, always among the All-Star team's best players. Early in her hockey career she stood out for Mount Pearl in tournaments involving teams from Buchan's and Harbour Grace.

As in her other sports, Sherry was one of the best ball hockey players within the province and earned a spot on several provincial All-Star teams for national championships. She was an important member of the Newfoundland and Labrador team that won a silver medal at the 1986 Canadian championships. Her local and provincial ball hockey career equals her efforts in other sports with many teams and individual titles and awards.

Overall, Sherry Morrissey ranks among the very best female athletes the province has produced. While she starred in softball, soccer, ice hockey and ball hockey she also achieved success in volleyball and track and field in her younger years and is one of the real stars to emerge from Mount Pearl. While she earned an impressive number of individual awards in every sport, she contributed to a large number of team awards by the manner in which she played.

The Mount Pearl Sport Alliance recognizes Sherry Morrissey's outstanding athleticism with her induction to the Mount Pearl Sports Hall of Fame.

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