OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD

The Outstanding Service Award evolved from some open discussion by members sitting around the Country Meadows' luncheon tables as far back as the 2009 playing season. The topic arose about just how much Dick Baker had contributed to the Club over its entire lifespan. As our first Captain, Dick had been the foundation and guiding light in the development of Country Meadows Senior Men's Club. His contributions continue to this present day and the lunch group felt it needed to recognize these tremendous efforts on his part.

After much informal discussion the topic of recognition of Dick Baker's efforts reached the Club Executive meetings. There it was suggested that Dick could be added to the Honourary Member category that was Lloyd McNicol. It was decided that Dick's efforts as a playing and active member went beyond the definition established for the Honourary Member distinction and that a new award should be established.

Over several months during the 2010 and into the 2011 seasons the concept of the outstanding Service Award evolved. It was to recognize absolutely the highest levels of contribution and commitment to both the Senior Men's Club and to its yearly, Charity Golf Classic fund raiser. Guidelines were written and protocols for selection of worthy candidates were established. Possible recipients were to be nominated by a member at large and seconded by at least 3 other members. A summary of contributions by the candidate was to be submitted, by a deadline, to a committee appointed by the Captain to adjudicate the nominated member.

The award is recognized at one of the Club's yearly luncheons and the Captain recognizes the winner or winners with a salutation and a plaque. It was clearly understood that the first winner of this new award would be Dick Baker but while discussions went on it was realized that there were other truly outstanding candidates and Roy Lawson's name was put forward for the initial presentation

2010 AGM comments by Jim Rollins on Dick Baker

At this inaugural presentation it is justly fitting that we recognize 2 men who have offered so much to Country Meadows Senior Men's Golf.

The first and foremost gentleman to be honoured is the man who, as one of the few remaining active original members of Country Meadows Senior Men's



Club was its first Captain back in 1996. His leadership and organizational skills helped lay the foundation of this our club. He has always been a problem solver and a diplomat, mending our ways through the early years of play. He has led us and carried this club to the point that it is now recognized as one of the most actively sought after senior men's organizations (witnessed by the wait list which is in excess of 110 applicants). He also has confirmed just how productive, positive and

rewarding we can be to the Country Meadows golf course.

This is a man who was not a "golfer" when he started but has put the same effort into his game as he has into supporting this club and now is a 16 handicapper throwing more than a few sub 70 rounds into the faces of his playing foursomes.

Beyond a love of the game our first recipient has always had a vision of just how much more our club could be, and has now proven to be. This culminated in his becoming the chairman of our first charity tournament. His idea of giving back to the community has become one of the most talked about and most productive and dependable charities going, for this size of organization.

He was the Charity Classic Chairman in 1996, 1997 and 1999. In 1996 \$1,800 was raised for the Kidney Foundation. In 1997, \$6,000 was raised again for the Kidney foundation and in 1999 \$12,000 was raised for the Richmond Hospital Foundation. His ability to encourage members to take on roles and responsibilities and his relentless acquisition of corporate sponsors set a rock solid foundation to the Charity Classic's modern format.



Fellow members please join with me in showing our appreciation for such a job well done and an even more successful future for both the club and himself,

We honour DICK BAKER.

2010 AGM comments by Jim Rollins on Roy Lawson

The second gentleman being recognized here today is just that. A true gentleman and an "I will play forever, golfer". The people who nominated him, referred to him as "a dedicated and tireless worker on behalf of the club and Charity Tournament, who fully commits himself to any responsibility he takes on and has done an outstanding job in all areas of the club."



I see him as the essence of County Meadows Senior Men's Golf. He has more than a few sleeves of golf balls in his bag, awards for his multiple years of perfect attendance but not only does he not miss a round but he does not miss a day of fellowship, and sharing. He listens' to everyone's stories as they come in and he always has a smile and a word of

encouragement for his fellow players.

This is one aspect that we all see but there is so much more to true character of the man. He served 2 different terms as vice captain and was responsible for the Toonie pot and game attendance. He proved to be a most capable Club Captain in 2008 and 2009. Behind the scenes he is the founder and continued organizer of the Lawson Match Play Tournament, he is the ongoing Charity team registrar and starter and he provides immeasurable hours to the yearly production and printing of our member's manual

His chairmanship of the Charity Classic in 2000 was just the start to his accumulation of information and history of this club. He is honestly a walking reference book of what happened when and where on these club grounds. There is not a member with a question that our man of the day has not had an answer to.

We all must somehow sense that this man is the true example of the service, commitment, and dedication to which we all aspire and we thank him and honour him



with this plaque and our round of appreciation. We honour ROY LAWSON

2011 AGM comments by Jim Rollins on Dave Sutherland



In 2010 Country Meadows Senior Men's Golf Club, designed a method by which we could all honour some members for their excellent service to the club. At that time we recognized two members Dick Baker and Roy Lawson. This acknowledgement comes in the form of the Outstanding Service Award. This year we would like to add another name to that list and I am sorry but the term outstanding does not come near to describing the efforts and contributions of this man. I like the word exceptional because it infers that whomever we refer to in that light is truly out

there beyond all others. Well this year's recipient, Dave Sutherland is just that an exceptional individual, a lover and inspirer of golf. Fortunately for us he has longingly shared that love with the 150 strong memberships, here at Country Meadows Senior Men's club. Beyond the countless hours and devoted commitment offered as secretary to both the club executive and the Charity Golf Classic executive Dave is the unheralded force that drives this club to be the envy of all other men or women's golf clubs. His knowledge of this organization and his ability to recall our past has kept this club on course and true to our goals for well over a decade. I believe that the word dedication must be tattooed somewhere on Dave's body. Our clubhouse here does not have showers where we might have been able to confirm that suspicion but when you see and talk to the man you know it is his essence or core. Dave has tirelessly offered his service and his heart to this club. If there is some idea out there that could enhance the pride, the comradeship, or the sense of ownership in this club it has more than likely already been

presented by Dave. He has been the driving force behind your wearing of the Club's coloured, Green Jacket. His pet project lies right in front of you in the form of his informative and humorous newsletter. He



conceptualized the competition to come up with our motto "Golf is our Passion – Giving is our Mission". The crests we bear on our jackets were his project, as well as the embroidered hats and latterly the ties, we now proudly wear. He has captured your image on camera, now on the website for all to recognize. He has been an integral part of so many events both leading and behind the scenes that it is impossible to list them all here, but we thank him for them all.

We play this game of golf for the pure enjoyment of the sport; sport with its simplicity, its principles, its sharing and its ethics. Today a lot of that seems to get so clouded over with greed and self-importance. But when you get to play with Dave the skies are blue and the game is true. Dave we are all honoured to have had the opportunity to be a part of sharing your exceptional offerings to this club. We thank you for your time and energy and we look forward to a long and prosperous future with you at our side. **We honour DAVE SUTHERLAND.**

2012 AGM comments by Glenn Janse on Harald Underdahl

I have the honour to present Harald with Country Meadows Senior Men's Golf Club's OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARD. He is one of only 4 members to receive this recognition.

Harald joined our Club in 1997 and served as Captain for 4 years from 1998

to 2002. He worked with Harold Mahood to migrate our club from the BCGA's Handicap System which was difficult to use to the Northern Systems Handicap System which we still use very successfully to this date.

Harald is a long serving member of the Guidelines Committee and wrote our bylaws as well as serving on the Policy Committee.



He is part of the Members Manual Committee and along with Roy Lawson, his friend of many years, organizes the printing of our manual.

He also serves on the Savage Creek Advisory Committee.

Harald is also our Club's Official Electioneer and has the duty of running the annual elections.

Harald has been involved with our Charity and has been on the Charity Committee since 1999. He has always made the Signs, Notices and Table Cards.



As well as personal cash donations, Harald has donated the use of his condos in Hawaii for raffle prizes which has raised many Thousands of Dollars. In 2012 the value of his condo donation was \$5,000 from which we raised \$20,000 in ticket sales.

Harald organized the Junior/Senior Golf Tournament with local players in the past.

Over the years Harald and Dodie have participated in many club tournaments and dances

We honour Harald Underdahl

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARDS

The CMSMGC Executive agreed in January 2011 to recognize long term members for their service to the Club by awarding a framed parchment with Club name, logo, and seal and including the member's name and accomplishments for the Club. Members who do not completely meet the Outstanding Service Award Criteria can be nominated for these **Special Recognition Awards**. The steps and approval process are similar to the OAS.

At the 2013 AGM Ken Bailey was happy on behalf of the Country Meadows Senior Men's Golf Club and the Charity to honour two dedicated and exceptionable individuals with a Special Recognition Award. He knew that both of these gentlemen will say that they don't deserve special recognition but they would be wrong.

The first honoree, **Gil Murray**, has been a tireless worker and promoter of the Charity from day one and is personally responsible for raising hundreds of thousands of dollars of support from a number of major sponsors and every year comes up with new ideas or concepts to raise additional money. Over the years he has donated his own property and secured sponsorship of fishing trips for our



major raffle, numerous Hole-in-one donors, tournament morning donuts, large dollar donors and a number of cash and prize sponsors. His drive and desire is an inspiration to all those on the Charity committee and we are humbled by his energy and commitment. It was Ken's pleasure and honor to present a Special Recognition Award to **Gil Murray**.

Our second honoree, **Tim Enno**, has been a fearless worker for both the Club and the Charity ever since he joined our club and never seems to slow down. He has worked on a number of committees and has been the Charity Chairman on four separate occasions. He has eagerly stepped in and helped out wherever and whenever it was necessary. Besides securing thousands of dollars in cash and prize donations, he has



been the driving force in maximizing our fund raising event such as the major raffle, auctions, passports and much more. He is a great organizer and does the work of 3 or 4 and like the Energizer bunny he just keeps on ticking. Whenever Ken was not sure of how to handle something, he could always count on Tim's solicited guidance and advice. It was Ken's pleasure and honor to present a Special Recognition Award to **Tim Enno**.

At the 2014 AGN Bill Sides was happy on behalf of the Country Meadows Senior Men's Golf Club and the Charity to honour a dedicated and exceptional individual with a Special Recognition Award. Bill would like to introduce to you a gentleman who is small in stature but a giant in our club. He is always there when you need him whether it is on the Charity Committee as the Chair in 2004, selling Charity 50/50 tickets for many years, as well as many other duties with the Charity team, Christmas hamper delivery, Junior



golf volunteer, Starters desk volunteer, and even building those boxes for your broken tees on every hole. It is Bill's pleasure to present **Dick Drayton** the Special Recognition Award for 2014.

2015 Tim Enno prepared these remarks about the latest recipient of the Special Service awards **Ken Bailey.**

Special Service Award 2015.

It was indeed unfortunate that Ken Bailey passed away very suddenly, early in 2015, before the Captain of our Club Bill Sides had an opportunity to present this coveted award to him personally. However, at the "Celebration of Ken's Life" held at the Richmond Curling Club, Bill was proud to present the award to Ken's wife Connie in front of a huge group of friends, family, business acquaintances and fellow golfers. Ken was a highly respected member of our Country Meadows Club. He joined the Club in 2005 and immediately became involved in its affairs both on the golf course and off.

We were fortunate that he brought along a lot of business knowhow and contacts from his career at ECS Electrical Cable Supply where he was the VP of Operations. He also had tons of experience in volunteering, organizing and fund raising that he had successfully done over many years in support of the Marpole Curling Club. Ken loved his golf and members liked playing with him. He always had a



welcoming smile for his fellow duffers, a positive outlook on the course and an encouraging word when others were having difficulties. He volunteered for the Charity Committee and his presence quickly resulted in improvements to their fund-raising activities and to the Charity Golf Tournament itself. After a couple of years getting to know the routine, and bringing in several new contributors, he took over the Chairmanship in 2009 and led the Committee in raising \$78,000. Because of outside responsibilities he took a couple of years off as Chairman and then returned in 2013 raising a record \$138,000. In 2014 his Committee's total was \$105,000. He was very much looking forward to 2015 when the Charity Committee's total amount donated to Prostate Cancer Research over the years would reach well over \$1,000,000. Ken's success over the years related greatly to his ability to plan things through and then tactfully work with his Committee members to get things done. He was a tireless worker, who led by example, and didn't like procrastinating about things. When problems arose, he considered the ramifications and then took positive action along with whoever needed his assistance. Simply put, Ken was an outstanding individual who loved his family, enjoyed life, saw good in the people he was associated with, and relished the benefits of getting involved.

The 2015 Mid Season Lunch was the occasion for Captain Bill Sides to present the Special Recognition Award to Roy McKelvie with these words.

To list all the small things that Roy McKelvie has done for our golf club would just take too long, so here are the major jobs Roy has unselfishly taken on.

Roy was a founding member of the club 20 years ago. He was the club captain in 2002 and 2003, and set a high standard for anyone following in this position.

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Roy chaired the policy committee for many years and spent countless hours reviewing club minutes.

Along with Dave Sutherland, Roy wrote and edited the policy manual which is a very important club reference today.

In 2011 when we had no treasurer, of course Roy stepped in and did the job until a replacement was found.

Roy has taken on many jobs with the charity committee including treasurer, keeping track of donations and prizes, working the starting table, and arranging the team photos.

Along with chairing the Savage Creek committee and being on the trophy committee, Roy has found time to play golf.



You will not find a truer gentleman and a man who is a friend to all in the club.

It is my pleasure, on behalf of all members, to honour Roy today.

The 2015 AGM and wind up lunch was the occasion for Captain Bill Sides to present the Special Recognition Award to Bill Sudeyko with these words.

This gentleman has been in our club for 15 years.

He served on the executive for 4 years and has been on the Charity Tournament Committee every year raising money and providing gifts for auction.

He is always there to collect money at our Christmas breakfast and has helped at our junior golf sessions.

He also works the Starter's Desk every year.

He grows great tomatoes and brings us those lovely plants every spring.

It is my honour to present this Special Recognition Award to Bill Sudeyko.



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Lorne Carney – Outstanding Service Award

Mid-Season Comments by Terry Greenslade on Lorne Carney

The gentleman we are honouring today has served in many different roles in our club and with the Charity. He served as 1st Vice-Captain in 2004 and 2005, Captain in 2006 and 2007 and Past Captain in 2008 and



2009. He also served as a key member of the Policy Committee. For several years, he looked after the Christmas Charity Breakfast and raised record dollars and quantities of food for families selected as recipients. He led the tasks of arranging meals and organized the distribution of food collected. On delivery day, he would provide coffee and muffins and after deliveries were completed he hosted a refreshment bar for



participants.

While working on Charity tasks he arranged for significant prize donations from businesses for many years. He looked after arranging publicity for the event with local papers and news outlets. On the day of the Charity Golf Tournament he was instrumental in setting up facilities and organizing prizes. He was prime in finding ways to recruit new and additional involvement from our members. He developed a guestionnaire to solicit

participation in the club and the charity that proved to be very effective. He has always helped in all areas of the club's operation. He was first to step up to help at the Starter's Desk when help was needed. He was extremely dedicated when taking on a task. Even from his hospital bed several weeks ago he would be calling individuals before his operation to ensure tasks were completed.

Gentlemen, it is with great pride and my honor that we present this year's **Outstanding Service Award to Lorne Carney.**

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