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BC Sports Hall of Fame announces 2015-2016 Board of Trustees

VANCOUVER, B.C. (Wednesday, September 16th, 2015) – Jim Lightbody, the President & Chief Executive Officer of the British Columbia Lottery Corporation, has been elected Chair of the Board of Trustees of the BC Sports Hall of Fame.

The election of Lightbody and the new Board of Trustees sets the stage for the 50th Anniversary of the BC Sports Hall of Fame, which was officially founded in 1966.

Lightbody, who was elected at the organization's Annual General Meeting held at the BC Sports Hall of Fame at BC Place on Monday, September 14th, succeeds outgoing Chair Al Tynan. Tynan, who was chair the past two years and has been a Trustee for six years, will continue to serve as Past-Chair.

"I'm both honoured and excited to be serving the BC Sports Hall of Fame as its Chair and am humbled to be following in the very capable footsteps of Al Tynan. I will do my best to follow the outstanding leadership of all former Chairs," said Lightbody, a former Western Lacrosse Association player with both the Victoria Shamrocks and New Westminster Salmonbellies. "These are exciting times for sport in British Columbia and with our 50th Anniversary on the horizon, there is no better opportunity for us to promote the history, heritage and cultural impact that sports has on communities throughout the province."

Lightbody has been with BC Lottery Corporation for 14 years, having also served as Vice President of Lottery Gaming and Vice President of Casino and Community Gaming. Born and raised in Victoria, he credits his experiences in team sport in helping shape his leadership capability in business.

"I look forward to working with Jim and all the members of the Board of Trustees over the course of the next year, our 50th anniversary as an organization," said Allison Mailer, Executive Director of the BC Sports Hall of Fame. "We are excited about the new Trustees who have committed to our organization and believe in our vision of *Honouring the Past* and *Inspiring the Future*. A key priority for the BC Sports Hall is to increase participation in our Hero In You Youth Education Programs and to have a stronger presence throughout British Columbia. There is no doubt that Jim and the Board of Trustees will play a key role in the success of these initiatives."

Prior to joining BCLC, Lightbody held a wide range of responsibilities in the retail and hospitality industries with companies such as Procter & Gamble, Nabob Foods and BC Hot House. This instilled in him a keen sense of creating value for customers through innovation and partnering with key stakeholders in the delivery of customer experience. He holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of British Columbia with a major in marketing. He sits on the Thompson Rivers University School of Business and Economics Advisory Board.

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About the BC Sports Hall of Fame

Go there. Experience. Be proud. Be inspired.

The BC Sports Hall of Fame is located at Gate "A" of BC Place with inspiring exhibits such as the exceptional Hall of Champions, and Vancouver 2010 Gallery; the biography based galleries celebrating the lives of Honoured Members Terry Fox, Rick Hansen and Greg Moore. The BC Sports Hall of Fame, a non-profit society, is the 'go to' organization for BC sport heritage. For close to 50 year, we have honoured BC's teams, builders, athletes, pioneers, and media through the annual induction ceremony the Banquet of Champions. To date 363 individuals and 58 teams have been inducted onto the BC Sports Hall of Fame. The collection of the BC Sports Hall of Fame and Museum includes over 25,000 artifacts and 20,000 archival documents representing 100 years of sporting accomplishments in British Columbia. In everything it does, the BC Sports Hall of Fame honours, educates, and inspires through the Hero In You Youth Education Programs. Go there. Experience. Be proud. Be inspired. For more information please visit: <http://www.bcsportshalloffame.com> follow us on twitter@bcsportshall and like us on facebook/bcsportshall

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