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BC SPORTS HALL OF FAME LOOKING FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE BIGGEST AND BEST MOMENTS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA SPORTS HISTORY

VANCOUVER (Thursday, December 10th, 2015) - The BC Sports Hall of Fame & Museum, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary throughout 2016, is looking for public input and support on the 50 Golden Moments of British Columbia sports history as part of its milestone celebrations next year.

The sport community in particular and wider public in general are invited to nominate or suggest events that should be considered as part of the 50 Golden Moments project in 2016. Nominations can be made by email at 50Moments@bcsporthalloffame.com effective today. The public input period will be open until January 22nd, 2016 at 5 p.m. PT.

"We're very proud of our 50th anniversary slate of inductees in the categories of athletes, coaches & builders, pioneers and teams but we're also excited to join with the tens of thousands of people who make up the sports community to mark and celebrate the 50 Golden Moments of BC Sports History," said Jim Lightbody, Chair of the BC Sports Hall of Fame. "We're very much committed to being a strong community asset in honouring the past and inspiring the future and that's why we're looking for input and nominations from everyone who cares about sports in British Columbia."

Public nominations for the 50 Golden Moments will be reviewed by joint panels of sports media and sports historians/archivists and compiled into a final list by February of 2016. The 50 Golden Moments will be then counted down to the Banquet of Champions inducting the 50th Class of the BC Sports Hall of Fame, June 9th, 2016 at the Vancouver Convention Centre.

"Part of the fun for us is making this interactive and receiving these 50 Golden Moments nominations over the coming month," said Allison Mailer, Executive Director of the BC Sports Hall of Fame. "We're very thankful to be part of such a vibrant BC sports community and are happy to hear from current honoured members, provincial sports organizations, national sports federations, municipal halls of fame and individual sports executives and administrators, athletes, coaches and other community leaders." Mailer noted that the BC Sports Hall of Fame is planning to develop a special exhibit to commemorate the 50 Golden Moments in BC sports history in the spring of 2016.

"It will be a signature feature of the BC Sports Hall of Fame throughout the 2016 anniversary year," added Mailer.

About the BC Sports Hall of Fame

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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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