

ANNE MARIE DUNN

Sports



*Inducted: 2004
Years at GCI & VS:
1963 - 1965*

Anne Vale was born in Toronto on May 27, 1947 and moved to Galt in 1962. She attended Glenview Park for one year and then transferred to Galt Collegiate in 1963. During her two years at GCI she was a member of the basketball and volleyball teams and participated in track and field.

After graduating in 1965 Anne went to work as a teller at Waterloo County Trust and Savings Company. It was at this time that a friend introduced Anne to the sport of curling and she joined the Galt Country Club. In 1973 Anne formed a Business Women's team consisting of three former GCI students, Annelie Meissener, Karen Graham and Joanne Dolan and skipped the team to the provincial championship. The next year she married Bill Dunn, another GCI graduate.

Since that first championship in 1973 Anne has participated in 23 Ontario championships of which she has won ten. She won another Business Women's title in 1978 and two Intermediate Championships in 1995 and 1998. In 1987 Anne played third for the Carol Thompson team that won the Ontario Ladies Championship and participated in the Canadian championship, the Scott Tournament of Hearts. She also played third on a team that won the Ontario Senior Mixed Championship in 1998. In 2003 Anne's team, nick-named the "Golden Girls", won the Ontario Championships and she again qualified for the Scott Tournament of Hearts.

Anne's greatest successes as a skip have come at the senior ladies level. Her team of Lindy Marchuk, Gloria Campbell and Fran Todd won the Ontario Senior Ladies Championship in 2001, 2002 and 2004. In each of these years her team also won the Canadian Senior Ladies Championship. In 2002 the world championships of curling were expanded to include senior men and women. In 2002 and again in 2004 Anne's team won the World Senior Ladies Curling Championship.

Curling is a team sport but Anne has won many personal accolades. At the Canadian Senior Ladies Championships she was selected to the All Star team in 2001 and 2004. At the World Championships in 2002 and at the Scott Tournament of Hearts in 2003, Anne received the Sportsmanship Award.

Anne is unquestionably one of the most successful competitive curlers to emerge from Cambridge and has been inducted into the Cambridge Sports Hall of Fame in 2003 and the Waterloo County Hall of Fame in 2004.