

## **Mr. Ronald (Ron) Tobin**

Inducted into the NLBA Hall of Fame in 2003 as an “Athlete”



Ronald Tobin has been one of the most dedicated basketball players of his time. From Elementary school, junior High School, High school, University to Senior League, he has been playing all along. With his quickness and skill, Tobin has been labeled as one to the most elite players ever to come out of Newfoundland. He was the first Newfoundlander to be invited to a National Team tryout with Canada’s Sr. Men’s Team (Winnipeg – 1973) in preparation for the Montreal Olympics and was the First Memorial University Basketball player to win the Richard Perry Memorial Award for Athlete of the Year at Memorial University (1973-74). Ronald Tobin has made our province proud on both the provincial and national level. Voted to be the # 1 basketball player ever produced in the province, Ronald Tobin’s list of

accomplishments is unsurpassed. A star in Elementary School, High School, University and the Senior League, Mr. Tobin skills, abilities and dedication to the game have always been “away and above” all others.

His accomplishments read:

- MVP Irish Christian Brother League, St. Pat’s (1965)
- High School Athlete of the Year Brother Rice (1968 – 69) Bronze Medal
- M.V.P. and 1st team all-star at the Eastern Canadian Jr. Men’s basketball championships (St. John’s 1972)
- Attended two Eastern Canadian National Team Tryout camps.
- Outstanding College Athlete of America Award, saluting most distinguished athletes 1972.
- First Newfoundlander to be invited to a National Team tryout with Canada Senior Men’s Team (Winnipeg – 1973) in preparation for the Montreal Olympics.
- First Newfoundlander to win the MVP award in a National basketball tournament (Victoria, BC, 1973)
- First Memorial University Basketball player to win the Richard Perry Memorial Award for Athlete of the Year at Memorial University (1973 – 74)
- Athletic Honour Society Award Memorial University (1974)
- Captain of the first Memorial University Basketball Team to play and WIN an AUSA basketball game
- Captain of the first MUN basketball team to participate in the final four AUSA playoffs (Wolfville, NS 1974).
- Provincial Basketball coach for the Canadian National Games for the Physically Disabled (Ontario 1976, St. John’s 1977, Alberta 1978)

- Winner of St. John's first division championship and All Newfoundland first division championship (1999 – 2000) all star.
- Winner of approximately 23 local, provincial and national qualifying championships.
- Played over 25 successful years at the first division level in the St. John's Basketball League