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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hope everyone is into those lazy, crazy days of summer now, getting some golf in and ready for another exciting CFL season.

As you know, Bell Canada and Larry Tanenbaum's Kilmer Group acquired the Toronto Argonauts Football Club from sports entrepreneur Dave Braley. The Association welcomes the new ownership group to the Double Blue and is excited about continuing the excellent relationship and partnership with the Toronto Argonauts.

The return of the Double Blue to the CNE grounds will be fun and provide a special football experience for Argos fans. Also, it will bring back lots of memories to the alumni that played at the Ex.

The 17th Annual Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association Golf Tournament was held on Monday, June 1, 2015 at Eagle Ridge Golf Club, one of Club-Link's finest courses in the GTA. It was a terrific time, and with 144 golfers participating, we sold out again. As always, the Roast Beef Buffet was a big hit at dinner. A special tribute was paid to Bobby Taylor for his support and generosity to former players over the years. Bob O'Billovich was our guest of honour in recognition of his recent induction into the Canadian Football Hall of Fame and Museum.



Stace Coray & his foursome at
the Argos Alumni Golf Tourney

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Late-spring, we launched the Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association Support Fund (TAAA) to help alumni that may not be able to help themselves by offering short-term financial assistance. Former players (have been on a regular League game roster and retired for at least 5 years), coaches, head trainers and equipment managers with the Toronto Argonauts Football Club are eligible. For more information and to obtain a confidential application form, contact Pete Martin email: petemartin77@gmail.com or home telephone: 289-837-4892.

We are also continuing our partnership with *Turning Point Youth Services* that provides a wide range of programs and services to youth aged 12 - 24 and their families, and hope to involve more alumni in this worthy partnership.

The Association is working with staff at one of the Toronto school boards to jointly plan and implement Football Skills Camp scheduled for June 9, 2016. Once things are put together, we will be reaching out to you to ask for your support and participation. Should be fun!

We are always looking for younger faces with new ideas to fill our roles on the Board. If you are interested in getting involved in some way, please let me know e: argosalumni@rogers.com and one of us will be glad to talk more over a coffee or lunch. Also, it is time for a Call for Nominations for the Board. Details are provided inside.

Thanks to those that have paid their dues already. If you have not paid your dues yet, would you please take a few minutes and send in your dues. Further membership information is noted inside the newsletter.

In closing, the Association would like to express its appreciation and thanks to Dave Braley for his support and his tireless work to make the Argos successful. He has had a tremendous impact on the game and his passion for the CFL cannot be measured.

Again, hope everyone is watching the Argos and CFL games. Hope to see you at a game at the Rogers Centre this season.

Cheers

Stace Coray

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HOME OPENER WIN FOR THE ARGOS IN FORT MCMURRAY!!

You read that right! Home Opener was in Alberta

Argos 26—Esks 11

TORONTO - The Toronto Argonauts took to the field at SMS Equipment Stadium at Shell Place in Fort McMurray, Alberta on Saturday, as they squared off with the Edmonton Eskimos to open their 2015 CFL regular season.

Quarterback Trevor Harris made just his second career CFL start for the Argos while starting pivot Ricky Ray continues to rehabilitate from off-season shoulder surgery. The game was also the first appearance in Double Blue for veterans Dave Stala and Brandon Whitaker, who have a combined 20 years of CFL experience between them and previously played for Argos' Head Coach Scott Milanovich in Montreal.

The Argonauts' offence came out firing on all cylinders, as Milanovich took the pressure off of Harris by starting the game with a pair of short passes to SB/RB Andre Durie. RB Brandon Whitaker appeared destined for the end zone on a 59-yard rush, but a heroic defensive effort from Eskimos' DB Ryan Hinds forced a fumble deep in Eskimos territory.

The turnover didn't prevent the Argonauts from scoring the game's first points, however, as DL Euclid Cummings broke through the Eskimos' O-line and brought down RB Chad Simpson in his own end zone for a safety.

The Argonauts and Eskimos would trade singles on a punt and missed field goal, respectively, before a fumble by SB Chad Owens deep in Argos' territory put Edmonton in prime position. QB Mike Reilly needed just one play to find WR Kenny Stafford for a 26-yard touchdown.

An unnecessary roughness penalty on Eskimos' K/P Grant Shaw after a missed convert led to solid field position for the Argos, and it was Harris' turn to shine. Brandon Whitaker redeemed himself for his earlier error when he streaked down the left flank and scored on a 57-yard pass-and-catch for Toronto's first touchdown of the 2015 season. The first quarter ended with the Argonauts on top by a score of 10 - 7, with Harris a perfect nine-of-nine for 145 yards and a touchdown.

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Jermaine Gabriel made his presence known in the second quarter with a couple of big tackles, including one that forced a fumble from Chad Simpson, which the Argonauts recovered in Eskimos' territory. The drive went nowhere, however, as a gutsy attempt to convert on third-and-three resulted in an Eskimos sack and a turnover on downs.

An interception by DB A.J. Jefferson on the ensuing Eskimos' drive was nullified by a pass interference penalty, but the Argos' D stood strong, holding Edmonton to a field goal.

Argos K/P Swayze Waters left the game in the second quarter due to injury, which left all kicking duties to WR Dave Stala, who kicked during his time at Saint Mary's and in spot duty with the Alouettes.

Argos' sophomore LB Greg Jones came up with a big play early in the third quarter, ending an Eskimos drive by forcing a Mike Reilly fumble, which was recovered by fellow LB Brandon Isaac. The ensuing drive saw Trevor Harris continue his stellar play, finding rookie WR Kevin Elliott on a 53-yard pass before finishing the drive with a three-yard touchdown pass to fellow rookie WR Vidal Hazelton. With no true kicker, the Argos opted to go for the two-point conversion, and despite two defensive penalties, QB Adrian McPherson couldn't punch it in.

A punt single from K/P Grant Shaw brought the Eskimos within five points heading into the final frame, but it was the closest that Edmonton would get to a comeback.

Harris went to work on the ensuing drive, finding Chad Owens on three straight completions including a 42-yarder to bring the Argos' into the red zone. He finished the short but productive drive with a 17-yard touchdown pass to preseason sensation WR Tori Gurley and a successful two-point conversion to Owens to open up a 13-point Argonauts lead. Stala would pad the lead with a pair of singles on a punt and missed field goal.

Not enough can be said of the outstanding performance by Trevor Harris, as he finished the day 24 of 27 for 347 yards and three touchdowns with no turnovers. Brandon Whitaker also impressed in his Double Blue debut, compiling 172 all-purpose yards including over 100 yards on the ground. Chad Owens was one of five Argos to record over 50 receiving yards, and finished just one yard shy of his first 100-yard game of 2015.

A strong performance by Casey Creehan's defence was upstaged only by Harris' stellar game, limiting the Eskimos to under 250 total yards and forcing five turnovers. National DL Cleyon Laing had a particularly productive day, racking up four tackles and two sacks to lead all Argos' defenders in both categories.

The Argos' entered the 2015 season with question marks at many positions including quarterback, due to the lengthy absence of incumbent starter Ricky Ray. Trevor Harris and his teammates provided emphatic answers to many of those questions Saturday, with a convincing 26 - 11 victory over the heavily-favoured Eskimos in Fort McMurray.

Pleased with the win but never satisfied, the Argos will return to the practice field this week in preparation for another trip out west, when they take on the Saskatchewan Roughriders in week 2.



PLAN YOUR NEXT TRIP TO TORONTO & WATCH THE BOATMEN!

*Great Value for U.S. Alumni! Canadian Dollar is
almost at 75 cents*



**TORONTO ARGONAUTS
2015 SCHEDULE**

PRESEASON			
TUE, JUNE 9	•	vs. W	• 7:30PM*
THU, JUNE 18	•	@ 	• 7:30PM
REGULAR SEASON			
SAT, JUNE 27	•	vs. 	• 5:00PM**
SUN, JULY 5	•	@ 	• 3:30PM
MON, JULY 13	•	@ 	• 9:00PM
FRI, JULY 24	•	@ 	• 10:00PM
MON, AUG 3	•	@ 	• 7:00PM
SAT, AUG 8	•	vs. 	• 7:00PM
FRI, AUG 14	•	@ W	• 8:00PM
SUN, AUG 23	•	vs. 	• 4:00PM
FRI, AUG 28	•	@ 	• 9:00PM
MON, SEPT 7	•	@ 	• 1:00PM
FRI, SEPT 11	•	vs. 	• 7:30PM
SAT, SEPT 26	•	@ 	• 7:00PM
TUE, OCT 6	•	vs. 	• 7:30PM
MON, OCT 12	•	@ 	• 1:00PM
SAT, OCT 17	•	vs. 	• 4:00PM
FRI, OCT 23	•	vs. 	• 7:00PM
FRI, OCT 30	•	vs. 	• 7:00PM
FRI, NOV 6	•	vs. W	• 7:30PM

* Preseason Game at Varsity Stadium ** Game will be played in Fort McMurray, AB All times are EST ● HOME ● AWAY

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International CFL Broadcast Schedule

The CFL has posted the international broadcast schedule until August. Keep this link handy to look up upcoming televised games in August and September when the next Argos Alumni newsletter comes out.

<http://cfl.ca/page/us-broadcast-schedule-20150213084657>

NBC Sports Network Broadcast Information			
Regular Season			
Date	Time	Away	Home
Thursday, June 27	9:00pm ET	Montreal	Winnipeg
Tuesday, July 30	7:30pm ET	BC	Toronto
Friday, August 2	9:00pm ET	Hamilton	Edmonton
Monday, August 5	7:00pm ET	Winnipeg	BC
Friday, August 9	9:00pm ET	Saskatchewan	Calgary
Thursday, August 22	7:30pm ET	BC	Montreal
Monday, September 2	5:00pm ET	Edmonton	Calgary
Tuesday, September 3	7:30pm ET	Montreal	Toronto
Friday, September 6	9:00pm ET	Calgary	Edmonton
Friday, September 27	10:30pm ET	BC	Winnipeg
Monday, October 14	12am ET (10/16)	Toronto	Hamilton
Friday, October 18	12am ET (10/19)	Calgary	Edmonton
Thursday, October 24	7:30pm ET	Winnipeg	Toronto
Friday, November 1	12am ET (11/2)	Montreal	Toronto
Playoffs			
Sunday, November 17	1pm ET (11pm ET)	Eastern Final 1	Toronto
Sunday, November 17	4:30pm ET (12am) ET (11/19)	Western Final 1	Calgary
101st Grey Cup			
Sunday, November 24	6:00pm ET	Grey Cup 1	Grey Cup 2
ESPN2 Sports Network Broadcast Information			
Regular Season			
Date	Time	Away	Home
Saturday, June 29	3:30pm ET	Saskatchewan	Edmonton
Thursday, July 4	7:00pm ET	Winnipeg	Montreal
Saturday, July 13	9:30pm ET	BC	Edmonton
Saturday, July 20	7:00pm ET	Montreal	Calgary
Thursday, July 25	7:30pm ET	Edmonton	Montreal
Friday Sept. 20	8:00pm ET	Edmonton	Winnipeg

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More Broadcast Info continued on next page....

... Continued International CFL Broadcast Schedule

ESPN3 Sports Network Broadcast Information			
Regular Season			
Date	Time	Away	Home
Friday, June 28	7:00pm ET	Hamilton	Toronto
Friday, June 28	10:00pm ET	BC	Calgary
Thursday, July 4	10:00pm ET	Toronto	BC
Friday, July 5	9:00pm ET	Calgary	Saskatchewan
Sunday, July 7	5:00pm ET	Edmonton	Hamilton
Thursday, July 11	7:30pm ET	Saskatchewan	Toronto
Friday, July 12	7:30pm ET	Calgary	Montreal
Saturday, July 13	6:30pm ET	Winnipeg	Hamilton
Friday, July 19	8:00pm ET	Toronto	Winnipeg
Saturday, July 20	10:00pm ET	Edmonton	BC
Sunday, July 21	7:00pm ET	Hamilton	Saskatchewan
Friday, July 26	8:00pm ET	Calgary	Winnipeg
Saturday, July 27	7:30pm ET	Saskatchewan	Hamilton
Thursday, August 8	7:30pm ET	Toronto	Montreal
Friday, August 16	8:00pm ET	Hamilton	Winnipeg
Saturday, August 17	4:00pm ET	Montreal	Saskatchewan
Saturday, August 17	9:00pm ET	Calgary	BC
Sunday, August 18	7:00pm ET	Edmonton	Toronto
Friday, August 23	7:30pm ET	Calgary	Toronto
Saturday, August 24	1:00pm ET	Winnipeg	Hamilton
Saturday, August 24	4:00pm ET	Saskatchewan	Edmonton
Friday, August 30	10:00pm ET	Hamilton	BC
Sunday, September 1	4:00pm ET	Winnipeg	Saskatchewan
Saturday, September 7	4:00pm ET	BC	Hamilton
Sunday, September 8	1:00pm ET	Toronto	Montreal
Sunday, September 8	4:00pm ET	Saskatchewan	Winnipeg
Friday, September 13	9:00pm ET	Hamilton	Calgary
Saturday, September 14	6:30pm ET	Winnipeg	Edmonton
Saturday, September 14	9:30pm ET	Toronto	Saskatchewan
Sunday, September 15	4:30pm ET	Montreal	BC
Friday, September 20	8:00pm ET	Edmonton	Winnipeg
Saturday, September 21	4:00pm ET	Montreal	Hamilton
Saturday, September 21	7:30pm ET	Toronto	Calgary
Sunday, September 22	4:30pm ET	BC	Saskatchewan
Saturday, September 28	6:00pm ET	Calgary	Hamilton
Saturday, September 28	9:00pm ET	Toronto	Edmonton
Sunday, September 29	1:00pm ET	Saskatchewan	Montreal
Friday, October 4	7:00pm ET	Hamilton	Toronto
Friday, October 4	10:00pm ET	Saskatchewan	BC
Saturday, October 5	3:30pm ET	Montreal	Edmonton
Saturday, October 5	6:30pm ET	Winnipeg	Calgary
Friday, October 11	9:00pm ET	BC	Calgary
Saturday, October 12	4:30pm ET	Edmonton	Saskatchewan
Monday, October 14	1:00pm ET	Winnipeg	Montreal
Saturday, October 19	3:30pm ET	Toronto	Winnipeg
Saturday, October 19	7:00pm ET	BC	Saskatchewan
Sunday, October 20	1:00pm ET	Hamilton	Montreal
Friday, October 25	10:00pm ET	Edmonton	BC
Saturday, October 26	1:00pm ET	Montreal	Hamilton
Saturday, October 26	7:00pm ET	Saskatchewan	Calgary
Friday, November 1	10:00pm ET	Calgary	BC

TRIVIA QUESTIONS

1. When did the Eastern Seaboard blackout take place and how did it affect the Argos?
2. What 4 jersey numbers have been retired by the Argos?
3. Who was the Argonauts first Head Coach?
4. What is an alouette really?



Beloved & Loyal Argos Fans

*** Answers can be found on page 11 ***

FOOTBALL WORD PUZZLE

A	E	B	O	S	A	M	J	B	N	A	S	E	D	P	K	A	G	T	K	C	E	W	Q
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SkyDome
Rogers Centre
Exhibition
BC Place
Commonwealth
Investors Group Field
McMahon
Mosaic
TD Place
Tim Hortons Field
Olympic



CALL FOR BOARD NOMINATIONS 2015 – 2016

If you are interested in standing for election to the Board of Directors, we are looking for candidates for 2015 – 2016!

Candidates must be a regular, paid member of the Association.

The Board of Directors meets quarterly and once a year for the Annual General Meeting in Toronto. The directors of the Board set the Association's vision and policies, oversee prudent financial management, help establish and evaluate our strategic objectives and support and assist our activities and events.

Please contact us with your interest or to find more information about the roles and responsibilities of an Association director.

Nominations for the 2015 - 2016 Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association Board of Directors must be received by September 1, 2015.

Please send your nomination(s), or address your queries to:

Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association
54 Legault Crescent

Cambridge, ON N3C 3T4
Email: argosalumni@rogers.com



LOCAL ALUMNI WANTED TO SPEAK TO HIGH RISK YOUTH



Do you have a story you want to share about an addiction, being in a gang, growing up in a tough neighbourhood or you yourself have had run-ins with the law? If you can donate 2-3 hours of your time in the month of September to speak to high risk youth on how to focus and coping strategies. Please contact Crista to let her know your availability. The location will be on the Danforth.

NEW MEMBERSHIP BENEFIT!

The Toronto Argonauts have been kind enough to extend a significant benefit to all paid members of the Argos Alumni. All paid members with proof of membership and photo ID become automatic members to the Reciprocal Program allowing you to enjoy many discounts for the next year in the GTA. Discounts are to many attractions in Toronto, sporting events and social venues.

#DOUBLEBLUEFOREVER

As the strongest Alumni Association in the CFL, your membership helps keep the Association alive, as well as adding funds to the Argos Support Fund to help some of our own Alumni that require assistance. The Association also assists other organizations such as the CFLAA and various charity organizations. As Alumni, we want to stay connected with all past players and assist when and where we can. The Association is a non-profit organization and it wants to grow its community involvement with your help.

The Association fees have not been raised in years. We recognize many of you live too far to enjoy some of the local benefits of membership so we offer two types of membership fees. If you live outside of Ontario, the membership fee is \$20CDN and the fee for those living in Ontario remains at \$35CDN.

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Access to 2 free tickets per regular season home Argos game and 50% off of any others (*not including Playoffs*). *The Association has a 50 ticket allotment per game.*

- 50% off season tickets
- Invitations to all Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association socials
- 15% Discount on Argo merchandise at the Blue Jays Store by gate 3 at the Rogers Centre (with presentation of membership card) http://www.rogerscentre.com/inaround/jays_shop.jsp
- Invitation to the Annual Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association Reunion—Occurred **Wed April 15th, 2015**
- Invitation to purchase tickets to the Annual Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association Golf Tournament - Occurred **Mon June 1st, 2015**
- **1YR MEMBERSHIP TO RECIPROCAL PROGRAM—valid until May 31, 2016**
- BOATMAN, Official Newsletter of the Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association Alumni
- Discounts and offers (clothing, car detailing, cosmetic discount, preferred car pricing and more)
- Opportunity to offer products or services in the newsletter
- Alumni rings available for purchase
- Automatic membership to the Canadian Football League Alumni Association and all associated benefits therein i.e. Nissan Canada Vehicle Purchase program <http://www.cflaa.ca/general-benefits-2/>

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We are happy to offer you convenient payment options:

PayPal: <http://www.argonauts.ca/page/alumni-membership>

Email (For Canadian bank transfers ONLY): Electronic banking payment transfers of \$35CDN or \$20CDN can be emailed to argosalumni@rogers.com

Mail cheque for \$35CDN or \$20CDN payable to the Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association to:
Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association

C A T C H I N G U P W I T H D A V E K N E C H T E L

Catching up with the soft and well spoken former Argo, Dave Knechtel you would never know he was a fierce Defensive Lineman in his playing days that made a few big hits other Alumni joke about today.

Knechtel started as a QB and in his second year at Waterloo Lutheran (known as Wilfrid Laurier today) the well known Coach, Tuffy Knight switched this agile player to Defensive Tackle and in his final year he played on both sides of the line of scrimmage as Defensive End and Offensive Tackle.

Drafted by Saskatchewan in 1967 his dream was cut short when he was cut by the Riders. Dave ceased the opportunity to return to school to work on his Phys Ed degree and his football dreams were realized the following year when Leo Cahill signed the versatile player to a contract kick starting his career. His eagerness to be the best was evident when he showed up one day early to Training Camp. His dad had dropped him off and Dave spent the night alone at the facility. A misunderstanding he doesn't live down and chuckles about it today.

Early in the season Walt Balasiuk got injured and that unfortunate incident opened the door for Dave and he earned Rookie of the Year in the Eastern Conference.

Training camp was certainly difficult with two weeks of two-a-days at St. Andrews College in Aurora but it was the constant sound and noise of people walking by while you were in a hot, un-air-conditioned basement meeting room that was distracting. Dave confesses all he could think about was having a nice cold beer..... or a coke he adds!

When asked what he doesn't miss from football, he doesn't even mention the gruelling two week two-a-days. Instead he said he doesn't miss hitting any sled or mechanical pad. He much preferred hitting a person.

1971 was a buzzing year for the Argos. Leo Cahill changed a lot of things and the Team just kept getting better. It was such a great feeling winning that season and playing in front of a cheering crowd and the Team makes their first Grey Cup appearance for the first time in three decades. Unfortunately it was a heart breaking loss but that Team instilled Toronto pride back in the city and they were now good enough. However, the Team goes from being Grey Cup contenders to losers in '72. Everything fell apart when they lost Joe Theismann early in the season and the Team was just not the same without him.



The young QB was a leader both on and off the field and they were big shoes to fill. There were so many leaders on the field like Marv Luster, Jim Stillwagon, Jim Corrigal and Pete Martin to name a few. And of course there were the colourful characters like Dick Thornton and Bobby Taylor that helped glue the Team together with their personality and humour. But it just didn't come together. Knechtel's personal best year was in 1972 so getting traded to Edmonton at camp in 1973 was a little surprising but once again Dave clearly saw this as an opportunity for a new experience and went back onto the field to run with his team mates for one last time before hopping on the plane the next day for the west where the Team made a Grey Cup appearance and lost.

"Going to the Grey Cup is great. Losing is an awful feeling. Leaves you with a sick feeling. Something unfulfilled. Hurts losing that game more than any other. Especially when the game is so close. And to lose twice is...." he never finishes the sentence. There were no precise words that came to mind to describe that feeling. Dave never replayed the games in his head because he knew both his Teams played their hearts out and did everything possible to win the big game.

Football taught him if you work hard and keep persevering, everything works out that way it should. Many times his career should have ended and he was cut a break and he worked hard to keep going. A few times he felt like giving up. For example he was a good high school quarterback, but not so in University. Tuffy promised Knechtel he would make something out of him

and his belief in Dave as an athlete made the difference. Once you make it, it's up to you to work hard to stay there. It's not handed to you.

Knechtel was traded again to Winnipeg. By this time he was getting used to being traded. He was also going to be reunited with his ex Argo teammate, Chuck Liebrock Chuck would soon introduce Dave to his lovely wife Gina who had absolutely no interest in football. 39 years later, 2 daughters and 4 grandkids Dave is grateful for that trade.

Outside of football, Dave took that degree he earned during the football offseason and started teaching at Central Tech in 1970 which led him to teach at the Clifton House for boys working with troubled youth and former Argo Ed Harrington. One opportunity led to another and Dave found his calling working in education with special needs youth, autistic kids, kids that have attempted suicide and suffer from ADD.

Football gave him the confidence to do anything. If he can survive training camp, getting cut, traded, losing and more he could survive anything. And the greatest reward for him is the feedback he gets back from the kids he works with. Watching the kids grow and develop confidence in their life is a gift of independence.

Dave's dad used to say to him "Always want your students/team to give their best. Some days your best is just not good enough, but it was your best". It really applies to everything we do.



1971 Argos Reunion

INVESTIGATION UNDER WAY



Need a brain check-up?

The Canadian Sports Concussion Project, in association with the CFLAA, is seeking CFL alumni, with or without a history of concussion, to participate in a study investigating the effects of concussions on the brain

What's involved?

- MRI brain scan
- Testing of your thinking skills
- Testing of your motor skills

What do you get out of it?

- Assessments by experts in the field
- Feedback on your performance
- Access to programs aimed at managing symptoms and improving thinking abilities

Travel costs to and from Toronto, as well as accommodations (if required), will be provided.

For more information, our clinical contact is:

Dr. Sabrina Lombardi, 416-597-3422 x7788, sabrina.lombardi@uhn.ca

For more information on the Canadian Sports Concussion Project:

www.solveconcussions.ca

Testimonial

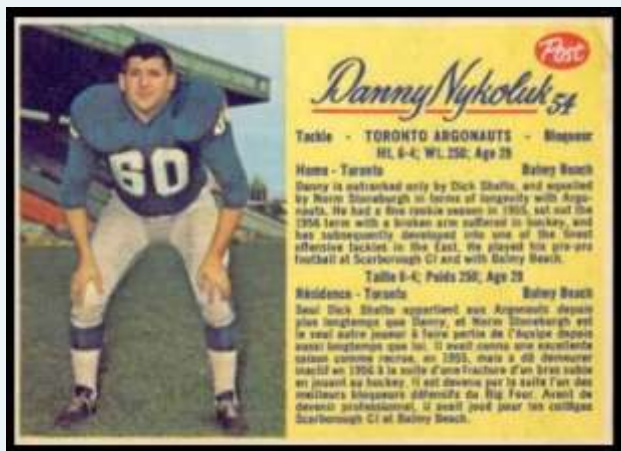
"As I read about the effects of concussions that occur in the sports world, I am growing increasingly concerned about what, if any damage my brain may have sustained and what measures are available that may reverse or slow down any ill-effects. Participating in this study has given me new insights and tools to strengthen and improve how my brain functions. I highly recommend investing in this worthwhile activity."

– Alumnus, Toronto Argonauts



TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Black out occurred on August 14, 2003 leaving 50 million people in parts of Canada and the US in darkness - The Argos were schedule to play against the Edmonton Eskimos the night of the 14th. The game was rescheduled to August 17th. Unfortunately the Boatmen lost 18-15
2. The 4 jersey numbers that have been retired



60 Danny Nykoluk

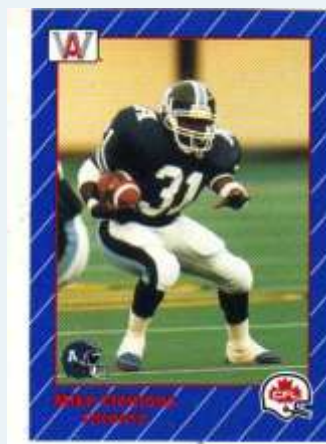


55 Joe Krol



22 Dick Shatto

31 Michael Pinball Clemons



3. In 1873 The Toronto Argonauts Football Club was formed as part of the Argonaut Rowing Club. In a game against Hamilton on October 18, Toronto won and H.T. Glazebrook, an Englishman by birth, was appointed Team Captain and by tradition, the Club's first Head Coach
4. In English an alouette is a skylark or lark. In football an alouette is a Montreal football player that wishes he was an Argo.

17th Annual Toronto Argonauts Alumni Golf

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RESULTS

Many thanks to the 144 participants and congratulations to the award winners

1st Place

Herb Brayley
Ron Boyko
Ian Kerr
Michael Dunn

2nd Place

Garry Siliker
Tony Redda
Loretto Cababanico
Giorgio Carloni

3rd Place

Robert Thompson
Peter Gabriel
Steve Parsons
Robert Bradford

Most Honest

Fred Dunbar
Greg Scheffle
John Lesko
Dave Hutton

Closest to the Pin

Peter Warren
Tyler Puley
Sue Ross
Julian Uccello
Tony Redda

Longest Drive

Melanie Abbott-Cambridge
Gary

Oldest Foursome (tied) 276 Years

Gord McTaggart Peter Warren Bill Blair Mike Kirkpatrick
Mike Trenton Peter Martin Chuck Ealey Bob O'Billovich

THE SWING OF THINGS!

17TH ANNUAL TORONTO ARGONAUTS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GOLF TOURNAMENT

Once again the annual golf tournament was **SOLD OUT!** And an outstanding day with some laughs, tons of prizes, loyal sponsors & supporters and no injuries to report to any of your ex-teammates!



Believe it or not these athletes are not members of the PGA. They are all former Boatmen who came out to enjoy a day of golf and brag about their handicap. Zoom in to see if you recognize any of these guys.



Special thanks to our Past President for coordinating and managing the Annual Alumni Tournament. You do an absolute super job pulling it all together!



PHOTOS



Warming up and dressed for the part



TORONTO ARGONAUTS ALUMNI REUNION



More photos can be seen at : http://argonauts.ca/photo_gallery/index/page/1/cat/189

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OOPS! Someone didn't get the dress code memo



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CHEERS!

SAVE THE DATE FOR NEXT YEAR

MONDAY JUNE 6TH, 2016



The Association is continuing its partnership with *Turning Point Youth Services*, a Toronto-based, ac-credited children's mental health centre that provides a wide range of programs and services to youth aged 12 - 24 and their families.

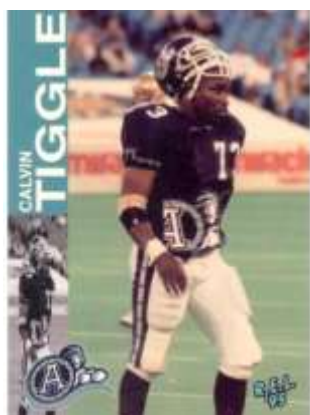
For decades, the Toronto Argonauts Football Club and its players have impacted the community through the club's long-standing programs to promote youth wellness. As former players who have transitioned into retirement from the game, we are continuing our commitment to the local Toronto community through a partnership between the Association and Turning Point Youth.

Turning Point will be hosting Youth Engagement an event for the youth in the program. at Turning Point head office at 95 Wellesley St East September 15, 2015 from 4:30p – 6:30p.

We are looking for alumni that are interested in attending the event to share stories with the youth, have some fun and help-out a bit. If you are interested and want to know more now, please contact Crista email: crista_bazos@yahoo.ca

WANTED!

Where is ...
Calvin Tiggle



Help the Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association solve the mystery of missing players we have not been able to locate.

In each newsletter we will feature approximately 10 to 15 names of guys we have no contact information for. We are looking to you to help us solve the mysteries.

REWARD

We are deferring a reward until the next tax year

Contact: Crista_bazos@yahoo.ca with any information

Emails have recently bounced for these Alumni:

Mike Levenseller	Coach in 90s
Germaine Mays	2006—2008
Hurley Tarver	2004
Jamall Broussard	2007

James Currie	1983—85
Keith Castello	1990-94
Chris Munford	1990-92
Robert Hamilton	1971
Stanley Jackson	1972-74

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Just a quick video & article to pass on to those that ask you about the differences:

Warren Moon—Youtube Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WGqXTkVMYFo>

THE TOP 10 NFL & CFL DIFFERENCES

<http://sportyfunster.hubpages.com/hub/Top10-NFL-vs-CFL-Differences>



TORONTO ARGONAUTS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SUPPORT FUND

We are pleased to announce the introduction of the Toronto Argonauts Alumni Association Support Fund

PURPOSE OF THE SUPPORT FUND

The Support Fund is dedicated to improving the quality of life of Argonauts Alumni and their families by providing short term financial assistance to those who are experiencing difficulty meeting expenses resulting from a medical hardship and/or the need for assisted living. Quality of life expenses may include: prescription drugs, medical equipment and supplies, food, clothing and other comfort items. The fund is not intended to provide relief from financial difficulties associated with rent and mortgage payments, business ventures and addictions.

WHO CAN APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The following are eligible to apply for assistance:

- Former players with the Toronto Argonauts Football Club who have been on a regular League game roster and retired for at least 5 years
- Former coaches of the Toronto Argonauts Football Club
- Former head trainers and equipment managers of the Toronto Argonauts Football Club

ADMINISTRATION

The Support Fund will be administered by a 5 member sub-committee of the Argonauts Alumni Association, appointed by the Argonauts Alumni Board of Directors.

HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

For more information and to obtain a confidential application form, contact: Pete Martin:

petemartin77@gmail.com or 289-837-4892

ARGONAUTS SOLD & MOVING BACK TO THE EXHIBITION GROUNDS

TORONTO, May 20, 2015 – Bell Canada and Larry Tanenbaum's Kilmer Group today announced their agreement to jointly acquire the Toronto Argonauts Football Club of the Canadian Football League (CFL) from sports entrepreneur David Braley. Financial terms of the transaction, expected to close on December 31, 2015, were not disclosed.

"The Argos are an important team for this great city and a crucial component in the ongoing success of the Canadian Football League. We're delighted to invest in the most successful Canadian pro football team of all time, and look forward to seeing the Boatmen play at beautiful BMO Field next year," said Larry Tanenbaum, Chair of Toronto-based investment company Kilmer Van Nostrand Co. Limited and Chair of Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment (MLSE).

"Bell is proud to welcome the storied Argonauts club to our team. The Argos and the entire CFL are key to Bell Media's unbeatable array of sports content available to fans across broadband mobile, TV and Internet platforms," said George Cope, President and CEO of Bell Canada and BCE Inc. "Bell has made the industry-leading network and content investments required to deliver the best sports action across every screen consumers may choose. We look forward to cheering on the Double Blue as the 2015 CFL season begins next month on TSN and RDS."

"The Argos could not have found better new owners than Larry Tanenbaum and Bell, who are dedicated to bringing the best of sports to Canadian fans everywhere in innovative ways. We welcome them as an important new part of Canada's national football game," said David Braley, the renowned sports entrepreneur and retired Senator who has owned the Argos since February 2010. Mr. Braley is also owner of the CFL's BC Lions franchise. "I look forward to a great 2015 CFL season with the Argos, and to formally welcoming Bell and Larry Tanenbaum to the League when they assume ownership at the end of the year."

"This is wonderful news for the city of Toronto and one of our most venerable franchises, and with the Toronto Argonauts moving to a renovated BMO Field

in 2016, it is the start of a bold new era for our league in Canada's biggest market," said Jeffrey L Orridge, Commissioner of the Canadian Football League. "On behalf of our Board of Governors, I want to welcome Bell Canada and the Kilmer Group, thank David Braley for his lifelong devotion to our league, and recognize CFL Chairman Jim Lawson, who has worked tirelessly and passionately behind the scenes to help make this historic day possible."

"I am excited that the Double Blue will be making their return to The Exhibition grounds in a state-of-the-art facility," said Mayor of Toronto and former CFL Commissioner John Tory. "The Argonauts' move to BMO Field will ensure Canada's oldest and most celebrated football franchise continues to succeed."

Bell Media's TSN and RDS sports networks have exclusive media rights to all CFL pre-season and regular season games, the Playoffs, and the Grey Cup. The agreement includes TV broadcast, digital properties as well as radio rights for TSN Radio stations in Toronto, Ottawa, Montréal and Vancouver. TSN has broadcast CFL games since 1986 and French-language network RDS since 1989. TSN and RDS became exclusive broadcasters of the CFL and Grey Cup in 2008.

The Argos will begin playing at BMO Field beginning with the 2016 CFL season. Located at Toronto's Exhibition Place and operated by MLSE, BMO Field is also home to MLSE team Toronto FC of Major League Soccer (MLS). Extensively refurbished for the TFC home opener on May 10 and the upcoming Toronto 2015 Pan Am Games, the updated BMO Field ensures an optimum playing surface for both MLS and CFL football with features including reinforced natural turf.

Founded in 1873, the Toronto Argonauts are North America's oldest continuously operated professional football club and the oldest pro sports team of any kind on the continent that still operates with its original name.

The Argonauts have won the CFL championship game a record 16 times, most recently at the 100th Grey Cup in 2012. The team is nicknamed the Boatmen because it was founded by the Argonaut Rowing Club, which owned the club for its first 83 years. *For more info click on the web link in the ribbon below.*

PAID MEMBERS

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