



JEAN-GUY POITRAS

Badminton/Builder · Inducted 2006

Edmundston's Jean-Guy Poitras' commitment to the sport of badminton began in 1972. Since that time he has officiated at over 600 international matches including the 2000 Sydney Olympic Games, seven world championships, four world team championships, the Commonwealth and Pan-American Games. Then there are the countless local, provincial and national events including five Canada Games. He is currently the president of the Canadian and PanAm Continent officials associations and vice-president of Badminton Canada. He is one of only five officials' evaluators in the world, and chairs the International Badminton Federation assessment panel. He has been selected as provincial (2002) and national (1997) official of the year, and in 2005 was awarded the prestigious Fox 40 Kitch MacPherson Award of Excellence for his national and international contributions to badminton. Professor, athletic director, prolific author, historian, consultant, -his influence on behalf of sport is both wide-spread and profound.

Career Highlights:

- Has been involved with the sport at every level since 1972.
- Served as president of Badminton New Brunswick (1976-77).
- Officiated at the Jeux l'Acadie championships, the Canada Winter Games, the Canadian Championships and the Jeux de la Francophonie canadienne.
- Officiated at the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, also at the Commonwealth and Pan-American Games, the World Championships and numerous other international events (over 600 matches since 1980).
- Member of the executive of Badminton Canada (currently VP Awards & Equity).
- Current president of the Canadian Badminton Officials Association and the PanAm Continent Officials Association
- Current chair of the International Badminton Federation assessment panel which qualifies officials for international events.
- Named Official of the Year by Badminton Canada in 1997.
- Received the prestigious Fox 40 Kitch MacPherson Award of Excellence from Sports Officials Canada in 2005 for contributions to badminton nationally and internationally.

Hometown: Edmundston

Web page: <https://www.nbsportshalloffame.com/honoured-members/jean-guy-poitras>

Tips for teachers: Jean-Guy is bilingual and likes to present in the classroom. He has a USB and CD with a short video about the NB Sports Hall of Fame and would like a table to display his artefacts. The video is also available on line at [youtube.com/watch?v=3sq8KHLc-4w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3sq8KHLc-4w).



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