

HAMILTON SPORTS COUNCIL 'S SPORTS PERFORMER OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2010 – Nominees

ADULT MALE

Craig Douglas – UK Athletics Championships 400m – 4th in 400m. Scottish Masters Indoors M50 - 1st in 400m and 200m, 2nd in 60m.

Stuart Henderson – Lanarkshire County Strokeplay Golf Champion

Peter McGuire – Boccia BC4 World Pairs Championship Runner Up; BC4 Scottish National Runner UP; BC4 Scottish Open Boccia Championships Class A Runner Up

Stephen McGuire – HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Boccia BC4 World Championships (Lisbon) Individual Silver and Pairs Silver losing in final to paralympic champion Dircew Jose Pinto of Brazil. British Championships Gold – now 5 times British Champion. BC4 Scottish National Individual Gold. Scottish Open Gold. Riverland Cup (Holland) 4th in Pairs Event. Cheshire International Gold in Pairs event. Scottish Disability Awards Athlete of the Year.

Mark O'Donnell – Lanarkshire Youth Strokeplay Champion

Mark Phairs – Scottish Disability Sport Singles Carpet Bowls Champion (unrestricted Ambulant). Mark defeated Billy Allan the three times Champion in the final.

Graham Troy – Rowing 3rd in Men 4 x Vet Quad.

Fraser Wallace – British Seniors Open Karting Champion. Scottish National Kart Racing Association Champion (Fought over 6 rounds at different Scottish venues). Formula Blue 2010 Aqua Sky Scottish Challenge winner.

ADULT FEMALE

Betty Forsyth – Team leader of the Scottish Women's Bowls Team which represented Scotland at the Commonwealth Games in India.

Margaret Letham – Selected for the six-strong Scottish Women's Bowls Team at the Commonwealth Games. At a Women's Eight nation invitation test series in Delhi, Margaret Letham and Carolyn Brown won bronze in the pairs tournament.

Ailie Ord – rowing – 1st in Women's B (average age 36) 8. 1st in Women's C (average age 43)8. 1st in Mixed D (average age 50) 8. 2nd in Women's D Double and Women's D Coxed 4. 1st in Scottish Championships 45-50 category. 1st in Scottish Women's open Quad Sculls. 2nd in Women's Open Double Sculls. 1st in Women's Vet Quads and Women's Vet Doubles.

Pamela Pretswell - HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Winner of the Champion of Champions Tournament British Amateur Golf Open. **Individual Results:** - British Ladies Amateur Stroke Play - 1st; - Austrian Ladies Amateur Championship - 2nd; -European Ladies Amateur Individual Championship - 6th; - St Rule Trophy - 5th; - R+A Foundation Scholars Trophy - 2nd; - European Individual Ranking - 5th; - World Individual Ranking - 30th **Teams:** - Member of Great Britain and Ireland Curtis Cup Team (GB&I vs. USA); - Represented Scotland Ladies at European Ladies Team Championship, with Scotland winning the Bronze Medal; - Member of the winning Scotland Ladies Team at Ladies Home Internationals (Scotland, Ireland, Wales and England) - Pamela birded the 18th to win her match and secure the final point for Scotland to beat Ireland 5 - 4 to win the Home Internationals for the first time in 19 years (Pamela scored 5 out of 6 points); - Selected for the 2011 Vagliano Trophy and Astor Trophy Squad.

Margaret Rae – Represented Scotland in the Triples Crown Ten-pin Bowling Tournament.

Donna Robertson – Individual Bronze and Team Bronze for the Scottish Women's Wrestling Team at the Commonwealth Games. Silver at the British Wrestling Championship. Gold at the British Closed Championship. Represented Scotland at a Wrestling Tournament in Italy winning silver individually and 3rd in the team event.

Fiona Robertson – Team Bronze for Scotland in the Scottish Women's Wrestling Team at the Commonwealth Games. Silver at the British Wrestling Championship. Gold at the British Closed Championships. Represented Scotland at a Wrestling Tournament in Italy winning gold individually and 3rd in the team event.

JUNIOR MALE

Cameron Gibbons – Silver in the British Karate Championships. Gold in the Scottish Int Open; Gold at the Belgian Int Open; Silver at the Scottish Championships. Two times gold at Sunderland; Gold and Bronze at the Penrith Open; Gold at the Cumbria Open; Silver and Gold at Wishaw Grand Prix; Cameron is one of the most successful youth members of the group and has recently been selected to train with the U21 National Squad.

Graham Ord – 1st in Scottish Indoor Rowing Championships U15 team. 3rd in Scottish Rowing Championships J15 4 x+.

Martin Scott – Winner of Lanarkshire Boys Spring Meeting and Lanarkshire Strokeplay Champs Boys Order of Merit.

James Steven – HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Winner of Lanarkshire Schools Golf Championship. Silver in the Scottish Boys Inter-area Championships. Won silver as a member of the Lanarkshire Team. Represented Scotland U16 in a match against England. Won Lanarkshire Match Play Golf Championships. Junior Club Champion 2009-2010 at Kirkhill Golf club where he equalled the course record of 65.

JUNIOR FEMALE

Kirsty Fraser – WKA World Kick-boxing Championships age 9-11 +40Kg Full contact World Champion. Ag3 13 45kg Light Contact Silver medallist. WKA 2 x Scottish WKA Champion 40kg points and light contact. Gold in U13 WKA Scottish Qualifiers and gold in U13 Light Contact 40kg. Kirsty also won the Hamilton District P6 Cross-country schools race and finished third in the South Lanarkshire P6 Cross-country race. Kirsty also plays football for her school and Hamilton Caley Thistle Girls.

Kirsty Gilmour – HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Selected for the Commonwealth Games in Delhi. Reached the Quarter finals in the team event. In singles, lost to 5th seed in last 16. In doubles, lost to bronze medallists in the first round. In mixed doubles, lost to gold medallists in last 32. Reached quarter finals in the European Women's Championships singles competition. Semi-finalist in the singles and doubles in the Senior nationals. Winner in the Scottish National Junior Badminton Championships U23 ladies singles, doubles and mixed doubles. Reached the last 16 in the Portuguese Open singles. Reached the last 16 in the Belgian Open singles and was a semi-finalist in the mixed doubles. Reached the last 16 in the Hungarian Open and the Scottish Open. Reached the quarter finals in the Welsh Open singles. This year Kirsty has been concentrating on the European Senior Circuit and has regularly reached the last 16 despite turning 17 only last September.

Mhairi Hendry – Finished 8th in the Aviva England Athletic U15 Championships 800m. 1st in the Scottish U15 Indoor closed Championships 800m at Kelvin Hall. 2nd in the Scottish Schools Indoor U16 Championships 800m at Kelvin Hall. 2nd in the Scottish Closed Championships 800m at Wishaw. 3rd in the Scottish U15 Championships 800m at Scotstoun. 4th In the indoor U16 Schools International at Cardiff. 8th in the 800m and 2nd in the 800m relay of the International Children's Games in Bahrain.

Danielle McMahon – 3rd in the Deeside Open Ice Skating Championships over 10 beginners category. 3rd at the Ayr Open. 1st at the Dundee Open. Danielle is a first year pupil at Holy Cross High and has been skating for only two years.

Louise McMahon – 1st Deeside Open level 7 Ladies Ice skating. 2nd in the Dundee Open level 7 Ladies. Louise passed her level 8 tests. Although only 12 years old, Louise has attained a level of skating that many skaters do not achieve until their teens. She has qualified for the National Skating Organisation's Regional Development Squad and is therefore eligible to compete in international competitions.

Victoria McMahon - 3rd in the Deeside Open Level 5 ladies skating and 2nd in the Dundee Open Level 6 Ladies skating. Victoria passed her level 7 tests. Although only 10 years old, Victoria has attained a skating level that many do not reach until they are 11 or 12. She has also qualified for the National Skating Organisation's Regional Development Squad and is therefore eligible to compete in international competitions.

Natalie McWilliams – 38th of 62 at the International Windsurfing World Championships. 1st in the Scottish Windsurfing girls Championship and 1st overall – Scottish Champion. In the 5 event 31 race UK Windsurfing Association Inland Series, Natalie finished 1st in the girls and 3rd overall. 1st girl at the North East Windsurfing competition. 1st girl and 6th overall at the Royal Yachting Association Eric Twiname Youth and Junior Racing Championships. 1st girl and 1st overall in the RYA Scotland Volvo Zone Championships. Natalie competed outside the UK for the first time at Martigues near Marseilles in France, where she competed against 429 others from 32 countries including Russia and the USA.

CLUB OF THE YEAR

Blantyre Bowling Club – HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Runners up in the Scottish Pairs Championships losing to Anchor 17-13. At the Lanarkshire Bowling Finals, Blantyre Bowling Club was represented in the singles, Triples and Senior Fours. The triples team were winners. The club also won the Lanarkshire Junior Pairs Championship. The club also won the Hamilton District ladies Fours title. The club's ladies match secretary Betty Forsyth was again appointed Captain of the Scottish Ladies Bowling Team at the Commonwealth Games in Delhi and led her team to four quarter finals.

Hamilton Academicals WFC / GFC – The club won the U13 Scottish cup, defeating Hibs 6-0 in the final. The club won the South West League for the 2010 season and were runners up in the South West league Cup. The U15 and U17 seasons have still to finish but these teams will finish in the top three.

Hamilton Gymnastics Club – The club entered the Scottish level 6 Championships of 12 years and over winning the individual floor championship and finishing 3rd on the bars. The team finished 3rd in the Scottish Level 5 team Championships. At the Scottish Level 6 team Championships, the club finished with a 4th place and 11th place out of 26 teams. This is a relatively new club which now has 300 members. They have established themselves as a strong artistic club and winning a national medal is a fantastic achievement after such a short time.

SENIOR TEAM

Blantyre Bowling Club - Craig Goldie and Derek Gardner – Runners up in the Scottish Pairs, losing to Anchor 17 – 13.

Eddlewood AFC – HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Winners of the Scottish Amateur Football Cup. The club plays in the Scottish Central League. From an entry of over 600 amateur football clubs, the club reached the final and defeated Drumchapel United 1-0. Eddlewood AFC is Scottish Champion for the second time in three years. The winning goal was scored by Steven McCluskey in the 13th minute. Eddlewood AFC has been the only South Lanarkshire team to win this prestigious event since 1982.

Hamilton Badminton Doubles Team Jamie Neill and Keith Turnbull – Winners of the Scottish Gents Doubles Badminton Championships. Winners of the Glasgow Open Gents Doubles Championships.

Hamilton Golf Club – Winners of the Lanarkshire Division League 1 Championship during the summer of 2010.

Peter and Stephen McGuire – Runners up in the World CPISRA BC4 Pairs Championship, losing in the finals to the paralympic gold medallists from Brazil. This team finished 4th in the Riverland Cup in Holland. They won the Cheshire International Pairs.

Raploch Bowling Club – Runners up in the Gents Triples of the Scottish Championship at Tanfield 17 - 11.

Uddingston Cricket Club 1st XI– Winners of the Scottish Cup. This was Uddingston Cricket Club's second Scottish Cup triumph in seven years with a seven wicket win over Stirling County. On the road to victory they defeated Weir's Cricket Club, Edinburgh Imans, Heriots and Dunfermline Knights. Uddingston also compete in the National Premier League, finishing in 7th position.

Yamakai Senior Female Karate team – Silver in the British Championships. Bronze in the Scottish International Open and Gold in the Scottish Championships. Silver at the AMA international Open. Silver at the South Yorkshire Open. Silver and gold at Wishaw Grand Prix events. At the Scottish Karate Championships, they retained the national team title for the second year running and participated in six out of seven finals.

JUNIOR TEAM

Hamilton Accies Girls' U13 – HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Winners of the Scottish cup. South West League winners 2010 and runners up in the South West League Cup 2010.

Hamilton Accies Girls' U17 – U17 League Cup semi-finalists. SWF U17 West and South West runners up. Selected for the U17 International Squad (Captain Amy Bulloch). Eight players were selected for the Scottish Women's International Team for the Cyp Home Nations Tournament.

Hamilton Grammar U16 Rugby Team – Winner of the Lanarkshire Schools Cup.

COACH

Paul Brogan – HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Coach to Eddlewood AFC which won the Scottish Amateur Cup for the second time in three years. Over 600 teams competed in this event and to coach the team to this national success was an outstanding achievement.

Jim Ross – Jim has coached karate for 30 years and is currently chief coach at the Yamakai Karate Club. He also voluntarily coaches primary school children during South Lanarkshire's Health Weeks. Pupils entered 15 competitions throughout the UK and in Belgium winning 65 gold, 62 silver and 72 bronze medals. Pupils also entered the AMA International Open, the Scottish Int Open, British Int Open, British Karate Championships, Belgian Int Open and the Scottish karate Championships winning five gold, two silver and a bronze medal. Four of the Yamakai Squad were selected to represent Scotland at the U21 European Championships in Turkey. Jim has recently become one of four newly-appointed Assistant National Coaches and will be working with National Karate Coach Gerry Fleming.

SERVICES TO SPORT HSC Sports Performer of 2010

May Bryson – In 1981 and 1991 May won two Scottish titles. For several decades, May has been and is still the staunchest of supporters for youth development of bowls for Scotland, Lanarkshire and the local bowling clubs. She is a Scottish club coach and umpire and a representative of the Scottish Young Bowlers Association. May has been President and for 10 years, the Secretary of the Lanarkshire Young Bowlers. May's help was invaluable in organising the first ever Supercounty Youth Bowling Competition. May organises Open Days for local schools and has been the Junior Convenor of Dalsersf Bowling Club for 30 years.

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HSC Sports Performer of 2010

Ian Bremner – Ian has produced the film shown at the Sports Performers Awards evening every year since 1998, filming original footage of the nominees each year until this year, when he decided to call it a day and dispose of his cine cameras. Ian's films significantly raised the quality and interest of the awards ceremonies, giving them an excitement and professional quality that greatly enhanced these prestigious occasions.