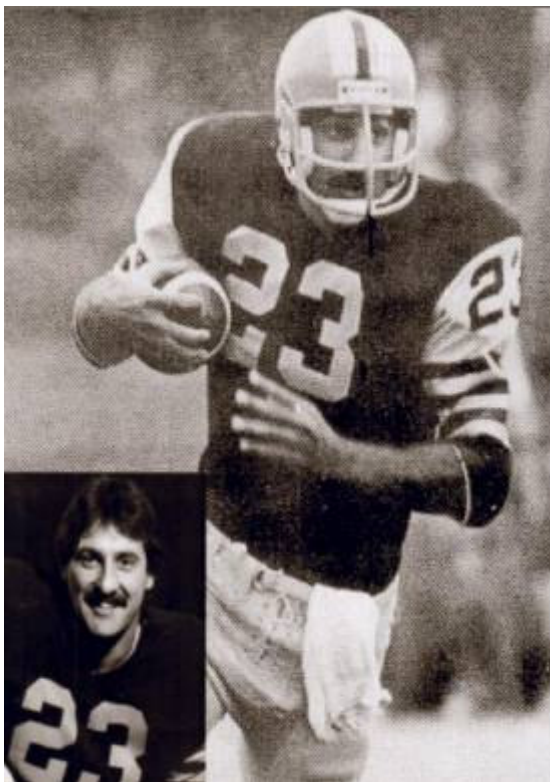


2004 INDUCTEES



ROCKY DI PIETRO FOOTBALL

Rocky Di Pietro began making headlines on the sports pages of local newspapers as a standout football and basketball star at Collegiate in the early 1970's and continued to excel in football in the university ranks with the Ottawa Gee-Gees. He went on to play with the Sault Steelers in the summer months of his university days and finally to the Tiger Cats, where he shattered several Northern Football League records. He was inducted in the CFL Hall of Fame in 1997.

His accomplishments include:

- **1978 - 1991** Played his entire professional career with the Tiger Cats, fourteen consecutive seasons as a slot back and a wide receiver
- Set the following Tiger Cats records:
- **1978 - 1991** 204 Games Played
- **1978 - 1991** 706 Career Receptions
- **1978 - 1991** 45 Career Receiving Touchdowns
- **1978 - 1991** 9,762 Receiving Yards
- **1982** 85 Single Season Receptions
- Awarded the All-Eastern All-Star title four times, in 1981, 82, 86 and 89, the Most Outstanding Canadian in 82 and 89 and was the Lew Hayman Trophy winner in 82, 86 and 89
- **1986** Played in four Grey Cup games and won the Championship
- **1997** C.F.L. Hall of Fame
- Rocky Di Pietro Field, the football field where his career began, was dedicated in his name



JOHN MEALEY ALPINE SKIING

John Mealey began his skiing career at the early age of two on the slopes of Landslide. John's entire family were skiers and he remembers being towed on skis to school in the winter behind his dad's car. When he got older, he joined the Soo Ski Runners Team, of which his dad was the coach, and practiced at Searchmont. In 1983, he won the slalom race at the Canadian Juvenile Ski Championships and gained the recognition he needed to make the Canadian National Alpine Ski Team. John competed around the world representing his country and his hometown always wearing a helmet with the letters "S O O" painted on one side.

His accomplishments include:

- Current Chairman Alpine Ontario
- **1994** Canadian Downhill Champion in Lake Louise, Alberta
- **1990 - 1994** Sixteen Top Twenty Finishes in World Cup Races
- Late 80's - Mid 90's Numerous Podium Finishes in Europa Cup and Nor-Am Cup Races
- **1983** Slalom Gold Medalist Canadian Juvenile Ski Championships
- Three-time participant in the "24 hours of Aspen" endurance downhill race where skiers from all over the world compete for the unofficial title of "world's toughest skier" and raise money for charity



FRANK NOLAN SR. BOXING COACH

Frank Nolan Sr. began his boxing career with the Sault Ste. Marie Boxing Club as an accomplished boxer under the tutelage of Tupper Toombs. As an athlete, he competed in over forty fights and his success didn't stop there. He was also dedicated coach of the Soo's boxing club, which became regarded as one of the best in North America under Frank's guidance. As he became more and more experienced and successful as a coach, his influence grew beyond his hometown. Frank was an athlete first and, for this reason he had the ability to inspire and relate to his pupils on various levels. He was a tireless motivator and skilled teacher of the sport.

His accomplishments include:

- **1973 - 1975** Coached Team Ontario at the National Junior Olympics
- **1976** Led the province's team at the National Intermediate Championships
- **1980** Head Coach of Canadian Olympic Team
- **1979** Head Coach of Tournament in East Berlin, Germany
- **1978** Head Coach Commonwealth Games
- **1978 - 1982** Head Coach Canadian National Team, as well as continuing to coach the Ontario team
- **1978** Sault Ste. Marie Coach of the Year
- **1977** Sault Ste. Marie Sportsman of the Year



RAYMOND SMILLIE

BOXING

Raymond Smillie came from an athletic family. As a member of the Toronto YMCA he was an avid gymnast, competing in the high bar, pommel horse and tumbling events. As part of the Argonaut's junior rowing team he held the bow position. And in 1919 he won the gold medal at the Ontario Swimming Championships in the twenty-yard sprint. He also played football, tennis and golf. Ray's next endeavor into sports was a very successful career in boxing. In 1925, his first competitive year, he won the Ontario Championship and then advanced to the National Championships where he again won gold.

His accomplishments include:

- **1925** Canadian Amateur Welterweight Boxing Champion
- Silver Medalist Pan-American match Boston
- Lion's Club Cup
- **1927** New England Title and Ontario Title
- **1925** Ontario Amateur Welterweight Boxing Champion
- **1928** Olympic trials in Montreal - qualified for the 1928 Summer Olympics in Amsterdam, the Netherlands.
- **1928** Olympic Bronze Medalist Amsterdam Olympics
- Refereed over 2,000 fights throughout the 1930's
- Lieutenant Officer Canadian Navy, World War Two
- Founder of Sault Ste. Marie Naval Vets