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30 YEARS ON: CELEBRATING TEAM CANADA'S FIRST U -19 SILVER MEDAL

TORONTO ON – June 6th, 2018 – The Ontario Lacrosse Association (OLA) is commemorating the 30th anniversary of the 1988 Under-19 Junior Men’s Lacrosse World Championships, where Team Canada earned their first U-19 silver medal against the United States national team.

The Federation of International Lacrosse’s Under-19 Junior Men’s Lacrosse World Championships were first held in 1988 in Adelaide, Australia and featured four participating countries: Australia, Canada, Japan and the United States of America. Held every four years since 1988, the tournament has grown to include 14 participating countries at the most recent event in 2016, held in Coquitlam, British Columbia. The United States national team has won all eight gold medals since 1988, defeating Canada six times and Australia twice.

To mark the anniversary, Ontario Lacrosse Association Junior “A” League Commissioner Dean McLeod presented Executive Director Stan Cockerton with a beautiful plaque featuring a team photograph, inscription and medal. This first medal for the 1988 national team was particularly special as McLeod was the General Manager and Cockerton was the Head Coach. Both individuals recalled the great memories of their involvement with the team, which included Tom Phair, Pat Coyle, Neil Doddridge, Randy Mearns, Cam Bomberry, Derek General, Kevin Hayes and many other incredible athletes from across the country. Also pictured to accept the award and celebrate the anniversary is current OLA President Marion Ladouceur.

The next U-19 World Championship will take place July 9th – 18th, 2020 in Limerick, Ireland. More information on this event can be found by visiting <http://www.2020worldlax.com/>.

About the Ontario Lacrosse Association:

Since 1897, the Ontario Lacrosse Association (OLA) has been recognized as the administrative governing body which exists to improve, foster, perpetuate and govern of all levels (youth, junior and senior) and disciplines (box, field and women’s field) of lacrosse in the province of Ontario.

In addition to coordinating the operation of the sport, the OLA provides informative resources, technical development programs and additional supplies for those interested in the “fastest game on two feet.” For more information, contact the Ontario Lacrosse Association at (416) 426-7066 or email info@ontariolacrosse.com.

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CANADIAN JUNIOR FIELD LACROSSE TEAM
World Junior Field Lacrosse Championships
Adelaide, Australia - 1988



Back Row (L-R): 1988 Captain, David Stewart, Tom Pugh, Don McLeod, Eric Clark, Mark Gillingham, Mike Brown, Brent Brown, Eric Woodburn, Bruce Nelson, Mark Gorman
Middle Row (L-R): Don Pugh, Bob Gough, Steve Robinson, Terry McNeil, David Gillingham, David Stewart, Alexander Bennett, Frank Kettle, Bruce Nelson, The Trainers, Brent
Woodburn, Bob Stewart
Front Row (L-R): Michael McLeod, Neil Gorman, Bill Campbell, Greg Clark, Bruce Robinson, Don Clark, Bob Ross, Don Gillingham, Ward Clark, Eric Brown, Don McLeod
Front Row (L-R): Don McLeod, Neil Gorman, Tom Stewart, The Coach, Eric Robinson, Tom Lohr, Eric Gorman
Coach: McLeod & Don Gorman, Bruce Brown





L to R: Executive Director Stan Cockerton, President Marion Ladouceur, OJALL Commissioner Dean McLeod (Photo: Mark Scheutzkowski)