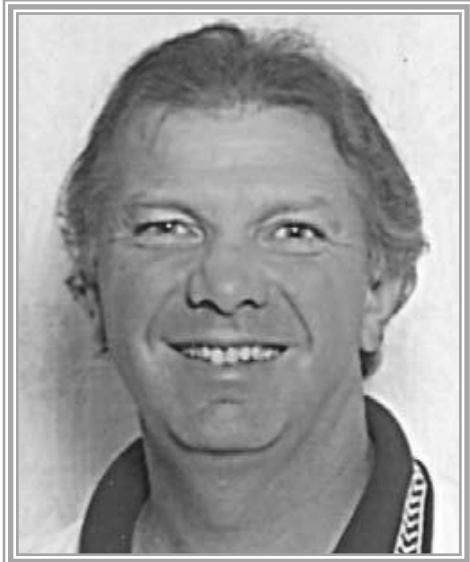


BOB WELBY MEMORIAL RECOGNITION OF SERVICE AWARD

John Thompson - Manager/Contributor - 2014

John Thompson, Waterloo ON



In 1993, John Thompson was approached by the City of Kitchener to organize a bid for a future hosting of the ISC Championships. John was involved locally in fastball, having coached / managed in the Kitchener Fastball League in the 1970s-80s, and volunteered with the Waterloo CHYMrs (later Twins) senior fastball team for a decade, coaching and managing the team in the mid 1980s.

He served as Host Committee Chair for the 1996 Canadian Nationals, at which he launched the

“Diamond Dirt” newsletter circulated at many ISC, Canadian National and local Legends tournaments, published/edited the 2002, 2006 and 2007 ISC championship printed programs and in 2010 authored the fastball biography “Z-MAN Darren Zack”.

Since 2002, John has chaired the event committee and served as MC for multiple ISC Hall of Fame breakfast inductions. Locally, John is a past president of the Kitchener Sports Association, past chair of the Athlete of the Year and Waterloo Region Hall of Fame programs and is currently president-elect of the Rotary Club of Kitchener-Westmount.