



DON CAMPBELL (2012)

Don Campbell landed his first golf job in the 1940s while he was still in public school. Becoming a caddy at Riverside Country Club was the first of many jobs he held there: grounds crew, course superintendent, manager, and ultimately Executive Director. During this time Riverside hosted nine Canadian Amateur Championships: twice each for the Men, Women and Senior Men and once for the Junior Boys, Junior Girls, and Mid-Amateur. Don also helped organize numerous provincial, city and club events. From their inception in the 1980s he was closely involved with Riverside's signature tournaments: the Vipond Golf Classic, the Saskatchewan Amateur Team Championships, and the Riverside Ladies' Classic.

As he developed his managerial skills, Don provided strong leadership and upheld high standards of professionalism in the industry. He attended many national and international conferences. Don was a charter member of the Canadian Golf Superintendents' Association and served as vice-president in 1975. He helped establish the Saskatchewan Turfgrass Association, and is currently their Executive Director.

When talking about Don Campbell people always mention his hard work and extraordinary dedication to the job. He has generously shared his knowledge and experience with others and become a mentor to many.

Don has volunteered his time and energy to community efforts, particularly for the Heart and Stroke Foundation. He has raised funds through the Open Heart Open, and received the Cardiac Rehabilitation Volunteer of the Year award (2005).

Don's numerous awards include: induction into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame as a builder in golf (2003), the RCGA Distinguished Service Award (2002), Canadian Golf Superintendents' Association John B. Steele Distinguished Service award (2004), and the Saskatchewan Centennial Leadership Award (2005). He has received honorary life memberships in Riverside Country Club (1995), the Saskatchewan Turfgrass Association (1995), Golf Saskatchewan (1996) and the Heart and Stroke Foundation (2001).