

Ed Ross (2012)

Ed Ross Jr. began winning golf trophies as a teenager in the 1950s. His father encouraged his golf at Riverside Country Club where he won the junior championship four years in a row. His Nutana team won the Saskatoon High School Championship several times. He won the Saskatchewan Junior Men's Championship in 1958 and 1959 and was on three provincial teams at the Canadian Championships. Ed attended Fresno State University in California on a golf scholarship, and competing with the university golf team for four years gave him the opportunity to play on some challenging American links.

1964 was a great year for Ed. His university team competed in the NCAA in Colorado; then he returned home to win

the Saskatchewan Amateur Championship. Competing at Nationals at Riverside Country Club in Saskatoon, Ed shot the low medallist round in the Willingdon Cup competition. This was a spark for the Saskatchewan team to win the Canadian Championship. Ed Ross, Jim Scissons, Keith Rever and Ernie Greenley are still the only Saskatchewan team to win that title, and have been inducted into the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame. Ed represented Saskatchewan on eleven Willingdon Cup teams and played in three other Canadian Amateur Championships. In addition, Ed has competed in two national Mid-Amateurs (1995-1996), three Seniors (1997-1999), and one Club Champions competition.

Internationally, he was one of two amateurs invited to compete in the 1966 Carling World Open held at the Royal Parkdale Golf Club in Southport, England.

Rob Lee of Wildwood was amazed to see that the two-iron which Ed used so skilfully for many years had a wear spot the size of a dime in the exact middle of its face. Legend has it that in Ed's efforts to improve his game he even practiced under a sprinkler to become a better rain player.

Ed was inducted into the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in 1986 for his golf accomplishments, and he continues to be involved in golf through charity fund-raisers.