



City of Peterborough

Media Advisory

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Dedication of Bill Bowers Plaque in Bowers Park

Wednesday, May 2, 2018
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

The City of Peterborough, Slo-pitch National and members of the Peterborough Slo-pitch Association are pleased to announce the official dedication of a new plaque in memory of Bill Bowers in Bowers Park.

An unveiling of the plaque will be held at 10:00 am with speakers from the City of Peterborough, Slo-Pitch National and teammates from the two leagues that Bill played in. Following the speeches, there will be a slo-pitch game played between Bill's two teams; McMillan Sports from the Peterborough Senior Men's Slo-pitch league and J.O. Express from the Masters Men's Division of the Peterborough Slo-pitch Association.

Please join us for refreshments and camaraderie during and after the dedication.

Recognized as "Mr. Slo-Pitch", Bill organized the first league in Peterborough in 1976. From this humble start, he single handedly grew the sport in this area. He coordinated the 1980 Summer Games, the 1989 Co-Ed Provincial Championships and the 1996 National Slo-Pitch championships, all held in Peterborough.

In 1997, Bill was named "Sports Personality of the Year" and "Peterborough Tourism Ambassador of the Year". Bill served as President of the Peterborough Slo-Pitch Association and Coordinator with Slo-Pitch National for 27 years. The ball diamonds on Brealey Drive were officially re-named Bowers Park in 1996.

For further information regarding the plaque dedication, please contact Terri Lynn Johnston at 742-7777 extension 1829.

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