

George Hayes

Hockey

George Hayes was originally born in Montreal, but moved to Ingersoll in 1928 when he was 8 years old. Growing up, George played baseball and hockey for teams in Ingersoll and the surrounding areas as well as playing football for Woodstock. George was noted as a fierce competitor for all teams in which he was involved.

George is most famous for his work officiating hockey as a linesman. His thirty year career included over 2665 games. George's energetic style brought vitality and enthusiasm to hockey officiating.

In addition to his work officiating with the Ontario Minor Hockey Association and Toronto Mercantile League, George worked for the NHL from 1946 to 1965. His record as a linesman included 1544 league games, 149 Stanley Cup games, 11 NHL All-Star games, and 247 exhibition games.

After his work with the NHL, George became a prominent sports columnist for the Sentinel Review.

Inducted in 1986—Athlete

