

# *The Laurence Nault Memorial Award*

*This annual award goes to the person in Team Handball who most represents a selfless builder of the sport*

*Laurence Nault was a coach, player and enthusiastic promoter of Team Handball. Laurence exemplified selflessness while always remembering that there was a simple joy in being able to participate.*

## *Award Criteria*

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- A recipient may be currently or previously involved.
- A recipient may be a player, coach, referee, scorekeeper, board member or sponsor.
- A recipient is one who promotes the sport of team handball by volunteering selflessly in any aspect of the organization.
- A person who leads by example in bringing fun to the game.
- A person who promotes Team Handball (i.e.) in the media, through school programs as a volunteer, by example wherever possible and supports the sport in a positive light.

## *Nomination and Selection Process*

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1. Every member of ATHF gets to nominate one person for the award by email to the current award administrator Mike Toporowsky at [mstop@shaw.ca](mailto:mstop@shaw.ca), by February 15<sup>th</sup> of the calendar year.
2. Please include a short paragraph with your reason for nomination of that individual.
3. Board members of ATHF each get one vote and board members of The Parkland Handball Association (keepers of the flame) get one vote each.

## *Laurence Nault*

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Laurence Nault 1959-2008

In 1997, Laurence was diagnosed with testicular cancer. His first wife Dawn and his sister both died of cancer. Laurence was in remission for 9 years until it came back. During his painful fight with the disease Laurence was always upbeat by never allowing the cancer to change his joyful disposition. During his fight he embraced the sport of team handball and is personally responsible for coaching and encouraging many new players who are the future leaders of our sport.

