



Billy Hughes - Athlete

Billy Hughes was a top hockey player on one of the top teams in the Maritimes for a decade.

Billy helped lead the Fredericton Capitals on a run of provincial, Maritime and Eastern Canadian hockey championships from 1960 to the 1968-69 season.

Playing as the left winger on Fredericton's "B-line" with Bev Bawn and Bob Mabie; he was consistently among the league's top 10 scorers.

He was a member of the Caps when they won the Intermediate A Maritime championship in 1960-61 and 1963-64, the New Brunswick Intermediate A championship in 1962-63, the Eastern Canadian championship in 1966-67 and were Eastern Canadian finalists in 1967-68.

In the 1963-64 season, he scored 24 goals and had 23 assists in 17 regular season games before starring in the playoffs, with 15 goals and 15 assists for 30 points in 11 playoff games.

He went on to set the Southern New Brunswick Hockey League record for goals scored with 43 and total points record, with 81, in just 35 games in 1965-66. Over his distinguished career, he scored more than 100 playoff goals. In just 16 games in the 1962-63 Maritime playoffs, Billy scored 22 goals and had 22 assists.

Inducted onto the Fredericton Sports Wall of Fame May 3, 2014