



## **NDG Baseball Legacy Award 2012 – Charles Hindley**

Charlie Hindley has been involved with baseball in NDG for more than forty years now. He started out as a coach in the early 1970's coaching competitive teams at the Mosquito level where they played against teams from various boroughs of the City of Montreal. One of his highlights was having his team invited to the Olympic Stadium where his players walked out onto the field with members of the Montreal Expos and stood with them for the singing of our National Anthem.

Charlie soon switched to umpiring the game and it is this position for which he is best remembered by most of us in this room. Charlie's friendly smile and jovial wit made the tough calls a lot easier to take by our players and coaches.

Charlie worked in the insurance industry for many years and one of his clients was the Montreal Expos club. He had many contacts in that organization and would use those contacts when he felt he could help our kids. I remember one pitcher who was feeling particularly downcast after a pretty rotten performance on the mound being quite elated when Charlie approached him later with a couple of tickets for an Expos game.

Charlie was always in demand by our traveling teams playing highly competitive ball. We always wanted our best umpire on the field so that we were assured that the calls and rulings were correctly made according to the rule book.

It is with great honour and pride that NDG Baseball bestows its Legacy Award to umpire extraordinaire – Charlie Hindley.

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Terry Doucet

