

Four Maine natives to enter Sports Hall

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Tony Tammaro has been bouncing up and down basketball courts in Maine for more than half a century. Saturday night, he'll likely bound onto the stage when he is inducted in the Maine Sports Hall of Fame.

Tammaro, a native of Woodland, is one of seven people who will be enshrined for their outstanding contributions to athletics in the state of Maine. Today, Tammaro and fellow inductees Keith Mahaney of Bangor, G. Alden Macdonald of Carrabassett Valley, and Calvin Stinson Jr. of Prospect Harbor are profiled.

The Maine Sports Hall of Fame will hold its annual induction banquet Saturday at 5 p.m. in the Bangor Civic Center. Tickets are available at Pilots Grill (942-3625), Legends sports bar (941-1181), and the Bangor-Brewer Bowling Lanes (989-3798).

The other three inductees, Joseph Hamlin, Jack Zollo, and Ollie Berg, were featured in Wednesday's editions.

TAMMARO has been a fixture in Eastern Maine basketball since his playing days at Woodland High School. He has officiated basketball for more than 50 years and worked games at the EM tournament for more than four decades.

Known for his colorful style and energetic personality, Tammaro was able to keep officiating because of his strict conditioning regimen. His refereeing credits also include NAIA basketball tournaments and Canadian national tourneys.

Tammaro, who has also umpired baseball for most of his adult life, received the 1982 Amity Man of the Year award; was the first recipient of the James P. DiFrederico Memorial Award in 1986; earned the Canadian basketball Executive Officials Award; and also received the Maine Intercollegiate Athletic Directors' Association Distinguished Service Award

Tammaro was a longtime employee of Georgia-Pacific and served several terms as a State Representative.

MAHANEY carved his niche as a basketball player at Fort Fairfield and later at the University of Maine, then went on to become a respected and successful coach.

Considered the prototype point guard in his day, Mahaney was a gifted ball-handler, talented passer, and efficient scorer. When he graduated from Maine in 1957, he owned 11 of 14 Black Bear scoring records, including four that still stand.

Mahaney twice earned All-Maine first-team accolades, twice was named to the All-Yankee Conference second team, and was an All-America honorable mention two years. He declined an offer to try out with the Boston Celtics.

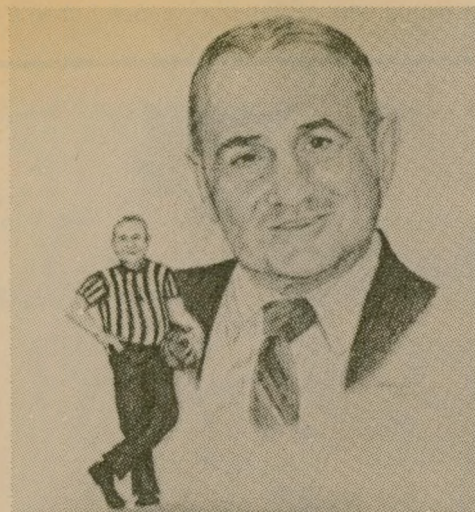
From there, Mahaney went into coaching, directing football, basketball, and baseball teams at Greenville and Boothbay Region. he got his start as a golf mentor at Boothbay. Mahaney coached Husson College golf to a 145-14 record and several titles.

He now owns Gold's Gym, formerly the Holiday Health and Racquet Club, in Bangor. He is a member of the halls of fame at UMaine (1993) and Husson (1986).

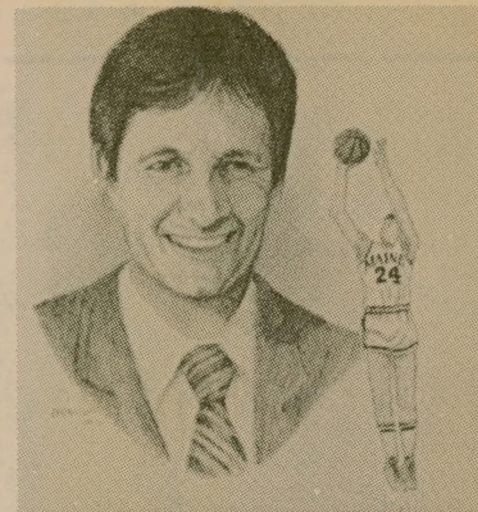
MACDONALD has earned his place in the Hall of Fame with a storied career as an outdoorsman, and is renowned for his ability as a fisherman. Macdonald whetted his fishing appetite catching smelt off the South Street Wharf in his native Calais.

Keeping a log of every fish he caught, Macdonald has landed more than 40,000 brook trout, most of which were released, in Maine and Quebec. He also has garnered recognition for his ability to tie flies.

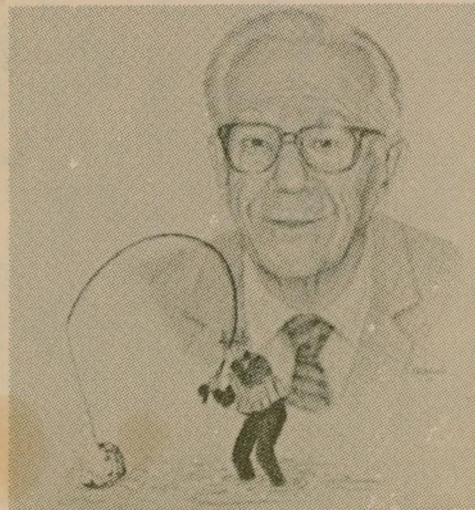
Macdonald, who played hockey at Colby College in Waterville, served as a registered Maine Guide. He later co-founded Macdonald Page & Co. of Portland, one of Maine's largest accounting firms. ♦



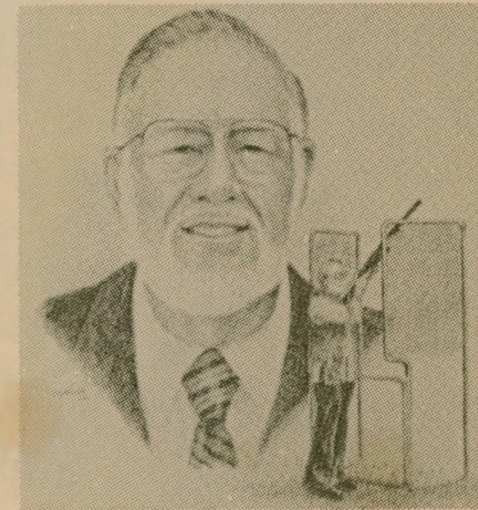
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Among his other credits are crack hunter, accomplished golfer, and avid skier. Macdonald also has been active in civic affairs and has been a benefactor for several non-profit organizations.

STINSON becomes the first person to be inducted who is the son of another Hall of Fame member. His father, Cal Stinson Sr., was enshrined in 1982.

Stinson Jr. is one of the premier trap shooters in Maine history, winning state, regional and national championships over a span of more than 40 years. He has won

37 titles in various categories, including his 12th All-Around championship in 1990, at age 63.

In 1974, Stinson won the National singles championship with a perfect 200x200 and 25 shootoff effort, and took the Class A Preliminary Day singles with a 100x100 score in 1977. He also finished second or third several times in national events.

Stinson, a 1945 graduate of Higgins Classical Institute in Charleston and a 1949 grad of the University of Maine, has carried on the Prospect Harbor seafood canning business founded by his father.

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