



Susan (Webster) Pearl

Inducted: 2023

Category: Player

Born: 1954

Birthplace: Toronto

Golf Club Affiliation: Rideau View Golf Club (10-time Club Champion)

Golf Quebec Championships

2009, 2011 GQ Mid-Am Championship

2011, 2014 GQ Senior Championship

2011 GQ Players Cup

Local Tournament Record

2005 Ottawa Citizen Amateur Golf Championship

2006, 2011 OVGA Senior Championship

2008, 2011 OVGA 4 Ball

2009, 2017 OVGA Marjorie Strong Two-Ball

2012 OVGA City & District

2008, 2012, 2015, 2016 OVGA Mina Denison Shield

2016 OVGA Tournament of Club Champions Division A

2019 OVGA Women's Cup

AWARDS

2005, 2011 Ottawa Sports Award Golfer of the Year

2005, 2011 GQ Senior Golfer of the Year

2005-2007, 2009-2011, 2014 GQ Senior Ladies team

2006, 2013-2014 GQ Nancy Walker Sportsmanship Award

Susan Pearl has an enviable list of golf accomplishments. In addition to her individual victories, she teamed up with Pam Burnside and Alexandra Heyes for their four OVGA Best Ball wins and Pam Burnside for their OVGA Marjorie Strong Two-Ball Championship. She also has her name on the OVGA Mina Denison Shield four times along with Rideau View teammates Monica Bialik, Sandra Chisholm, Judy Collins, Alexandra Heyes, Lyne Leclerc, Susan Philips, Kristine Ranieri and Donna Rennie.

Growing up in Toronto and on Toronto Island with her sister and 7 brothers, sports were an integral part of her life. Susan was *Athlete of the Year* in both public school and high school and was presented with the Bronze Award at the University of Western Ontario for tennis where the highlight was her team's invitation to participate in the World University Tennis Championship in Guadalajara, Mexico in 1977. Susan graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Physical Education and began her career as a tennis pro, first in Chatham, Ontario and then at the Ottawa Athletic Club. She later returned to school at the University of Ottawa where she graduated with a Master's degree in Physical Education (Sports Administration). This led her to the Coaching Association of Canada where she worked in various capacities before moving on to GoodLife Fitness as a personal fitness trainer.

When it comes to golf, Susan was a late bloomer, taking it up in her 30's. She joined the Rideau View Golf Club in 1988, and through the excellent coaching of Rideau View golf professional Paul Sherratt, she quickly dedicated herself to improving all aspects of her game.

Susan has been active throughout her life, enjoying a multitude of summer and winter sports, in addition to a keen interest in travel and photography, but it is the game of golf that she has excelled at, especially in her senior years.

Susan is mindful that none of us achieve any success in life without the help of many. Susan's biggest fan was her late husband, Herb, who with his love, encouragement and support, enhanced every aspect of her life.

Susan is grateful to the OVGA for this Hall of Fame honour, and to family, friends, mentors, caddies, fellow players, organizers, officials, and countless others who have contributed to this wonderful journey. She offered a special shout out to her friend and first and long-time caddie, Ellyn Holzman, for believing in her and taking time from her busy work life to caddie.

Susan Pearl still feels passionate about the game of golf, and as she says, "we are so fortunate to be able to play this beautiful game at every level, at any age, which truly makes Golf - The Game of a Lifetime."

OVGA Hall of Fame Member Susan Pearl wishes you all "THE BEST GAME OF YOUR LIFE".