



**STAFF REPORT
ACTION REQUIRED**

Proposed renaming of Mid Scarborough Community Recreation Centre to Don Montgomery Community Recreation Centre

Date:	August 28, 2007
To:	Scarborough Community Council
From:	Brenda Librecz, General Manager, Parks, Forestry and Recreation
Wards:	Ward 35 – Scarborough Southwest
Reference Number:	

SUMMARY

Don Montgomery was President of the Scarborough Hockey Association for over 40 years and due to his generosity and volunteerism, children throughout Scarborough were offered opportunities to participate in sport that they may never have had otherwise. The renaming of the Centre in Don Montgomery’s name would honour the significant contributions to sport in Scarborough.

Parks, Forestry and Recreation staff have exercised due diligence in ensuring that all criteria in the Naming and Renaming Policy have been met and recommends that the Mid Scarborough Community Recreation Centre be renamed Don Montgomery Community Recreation Centre. This staff report is a matter for which Scarborough Community Council has delegated authority from City Council to make a final decision.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The General Manager of the Parks, Forestry and Recreation Division recommends that the Scarborough Community Council approve the renaming of Mid Scarborough Community Recreation Centre, located at 2467 Eglinton Avenue East, to the Don Montgomery Community Recreation Centre.

Financial Impact

There are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report.

COMMENTS

Don Montgomery was President of the Scarborough Hockey Association for the last 40 years, and remained in this capacity until his death.

During his tenure as President, Don was responsible for providing hockey opportunities for over 300,000 Scarborough children. He also founded the Albert Campbell and JJ Keay tournaments, where proceeds exceeding \$600,000 were donated to the three Scarborough hospitals for purchase of equipment. Over the last four years, scholarships totalling over \$60,000 have been given to students attending secondary schools in Scarborough.

Don Montgomery was a man who devoted many volunteer hours so children could enjoy and benefit from the various sports activities.

Montgomery was born in Saskatchewan, but his family moved to the Maritimes when he was about 10. He was a good athlete and played professional hockey on the east coast before moving to Toronto. Married by then, he and his wife Mary bought a house in the Dorset Park area of Scarborough in 1955 and never left.

By renaming the Mid Scarborough Community Recreation Centre to the Don Montgomery Community Recreation Centre, the residents in the area and the City of Toronto will continue to recognize the many contributions of this community resident.

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