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Recreation Newfoundland and Labrador announce its Annual Award Recipients

St. John's, NL – Recreation Newfoundland and Labrador (RNL) is pleased to announce the recipients of its 2021 Provincial Awards. The awards were celebrated in an online week-long event on November 22-26.

“These awards recognize the contributions of professionals, community groups, volunteers, and service groups who improve recreation in Newfoundland and Labrador,” said Gerry Hall, President of RNL. “It is an honour to celebrate those individuals and their contributions. Without such hardworking folks, we wouldn’t be able to engage our communities like we do. Or help our fellow Newfoundlanders and Labradorians live healthy and active lifestyles.”

RNL committees selected award recipients from many nominees. There were 6 awards presented this year and they include the following:

- **Bridging the Gap Award: TA Loeffler**
This award recognizes an individual, group, program or facility that has furthered the inclusion of persons with disabilities in the area of recreation, sport and active living.
- **Active Communities Award: Town of Peterview**
The award recognizes the achievements of communities that have worked to identify and create facilities, open spaces and opportunities for people to be active and engaged in their communities.
- **Community Healthy Living Award: Open Door Community Youth Network, Gander, NL**
This award recognizes the achievements of communities or organizations that have worked to create a healthier food environment in their facilities, programs and events.
- **Cy Hoskins Memorial Award of Merit: Norm Hill, Bay Roberts, NL**
This award is presented to a full-time recreation practitioner who has made significant contributions to the growth and development of recreation.
- **Volunteer(s) of the Year Award: Kelly & Rodney Joyce, Bay Bulls, NL**
This award recognizes a volunteer for outstanding efforts and invaluable contributions to the development of recreation.
- **Volunteer Group of the Year: Kinsmen Club of Witless Bay & Area**
This award is presented to a volunteer group in honour of their outstanding efforts and invaluable contributions to the development of recreation.

“Our 2021 award recipients are an outstanding group of individuals and groups who are making a positive impact on the health and well-being of Newfoundland and Labrador through recreation,” said Hall.



Congratulations to all recipients on their hard work and dedication.

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