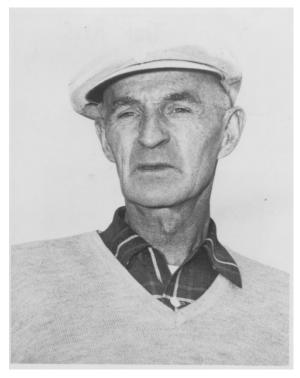
## **TOM ROSS**



The name Tom Ross became synonymous with golf over many decades of involvement with the game in Regina and Saskatchewan.

Tom was born in Scotland in 1897 and began golfing there at an early age. He moved to Regina when he was 28 years old, and became the club professional at the Wascana Golf Club from 1926 to 1932. The book Ninety Years of Golf tells about a disastrous fire which destroyed the Wascana clubhouse in September 1929, ruining the members' golf clubs and the contents of their lockers. Tom lost assorted mashies, cleeks, brassies and balls, all covered by insurance. The following week he took orders for fifty new sets of clubs! In 1932 he moved over to the Regina Golf and Country Club where he remained the professional until his retirement in 1964. Tom was considered one of the finest Canadian club

pros of his era. He coached many young golfers who went on to excel in Saskatchewan golf competitions.

As a competitor in the Saskatchewan Open, Tom won four times (1928, 1934, 1938, and 1949) and was runner-up six times. In 1949 the one-day 36-hole Open competition at Moose Jaw was plagued by winds of 50 miles per hour. Tom kept his shots low and scored 82 and 83, unbelievably winning his fifth Open by two shots. He also won the Saskatchewan Professional Tournament four times between 1937 and 1941.

Tom was inducted into the Saskatchewan Sports Hall of Fame in 1981.