



## Jeff Makohon

Jeff Makohon started winning provincial titles at an early age: he was Bantam champion in 1984 and 1985, Juvenile winner in 1987, and Saskatchewan Junior Champion for three years, 1987 to 1989. He brought great honour to the province by winning the Canadian Juvenile Championship in 1987 and the Canadian Junior Men's Championship in 1989.

No other Saskatchewan male golfer has been able to accomplish this. Recognition for Jeff came with awards for SaskSport Male Athlete of 1989 and the Score Magazine Canadian male junior golfer. In addition to four national junior events, Jeff competed in the 1990 Canadian Amateur as a member of the Saskatchewan Willingdon Cup team. He was Saskatchewan Amateur runner-up in 1992.

Growing up in Saskatoon, Jeff's top interests were playing hockey and racing on the alpine ski team. When his peewee hockey team won the provincial championship, the coach was Saskatchewan Golf Hall of Fame member Jim Scissons. Jeff's grandfather introduced him to golf after shortening three clubs for him to use. He spent many summer days working and playing at the Wildwood Golf Club under the tutelage of Rob Lee. Alex Kozakavich coached him as a provincial team member.

Jeff was a Canadian Golf Foundation Academic and Golf Excellence scholarship winner from 1988 to 1990. While attending Rice University in Houston, he was on the Division One golf team for four years and recognized as Academic All-American in three of those years.

Competing with Bart Goodwin in the prestigious Champions Cup Invitational Two-man Team Championship in Texas, they won the event in 2001 and 2004. Jeff and his wife and children currently live near Dallas, Texas.

Jeff Makohon became a member of the Saskatoon Sports Hall of Fame in 2006.