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HAMILTON HURRICANES

Alumni Newsletter

Call To Hurricanes Alumni

The Hamilton Hurricanes
Want You Back!

We are currently building the Hamilton Hurricanes Alumni Association and we need your support and feedback in order to make this happen.

We are trying to compile a profile on as many Hamilton Hurricane Alumni as possible, including name, contact information and the years that they played with the Hamilton Hurricanes. **We need your help!** Please contact the Team President, Mike Samuel, or Team Profile

Coordinator, Nick Pelletier, if you have the contact information of any of your team mates.

We are dedicated to building strong relationships with our Alumni in order to keep the Hurricane football tradition and success alive in Hamilton.

The Hamilton Hurricanes organization is striving to help build relationships between the players of the past, the players of today and the players of the future through Alumni events and team functions.

We would love to hear from you, so please feel free to contact Mike Sam-

uel at msamuel@the-canines.com or Nick Pelletier at npelletier@the-canines.com and reconnect with a great organization and a great group of young men who are the leaders of tomorrow.

GO Canes GO!!!

2011 OFC Championship Rings

The Hamilton Hurricanes were down at the HAAA Clubhouse on Sunday, February 19th to receive their Ontario Football Conference Championship rings (*below right*). The Hurricanes captured the OFC crown for the second con-

secutive year with a dominant 42-6 win over the Windsor AKO Fratmen back in October.

The Hurricanes hosted the Saskatoon Hilltops in the Canadian Bowl at Ivor Wynne Stadium in Hamilton on November 12, 2011, which the Hilltops

went on to win.

Hamilton finished the regular season with a record of 7 wins and 1 loss, and dominated the OFC playoffs with wins over St. Leonard and Windsor.

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Mohawk College Bursary Winners

The Hamilton Hurricanes, the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, and Mohawk College have a strong partnership and it is on display through the Mohawk College Bursary program.

A portion of the money that is raised at one Tiger-Cats "Mohawk College Night" home game during the season is divided up between three deserving recipients (\$500 each). The criteria for the bursaries is as follows, the person must be a Mohawk College student, they must be a current Hamilton Hurricanes player, and they must have financial need in which the bursary would assist the person with



paying for his education.

The recipients of the 2011 Mohawk College Bursary are Cory Raposo, Jordan Powell, and Phil Boroniec.

Cory Raposo is a Junior with the Hurricanes at the wide receiver posi-

tion and is currently studying Police Foundations at Mohawk College.

Phil Boroniec is a Sophomore with the Hurricanes at the defensive back position and is studying Broadcasting Television at Mohawk College.

Jordan Powell is a Senior defensive lineman with the Hurricanes and is studying Business Accounting at Mohawk College.

These men are the leaders of tomorrow and are congratulated on their success within the classroom and on the field.

Tourism Hamilton's Sports Ambassador of the Year

On Tuesday, March 6th Tourism Hamilton hosted its 14th annual Tourism Hamilton Awards of Excellence dinner. Among the 500 nominees and guests was the Hamilton Hurricanes very own Mike Samuel. Mike is the President of the Hamilton Hurricanes Football Club and a major contributor to the develop-

ment of football at the junior level within the Hamilton community. At the Awards of Excellence dinner Mike was nominated in the category of Sports

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- Team President, Mike Samuel

Ambassador of the Year, and won. When asked what his thoughts and

feelings were once he heard his name being called as the winner of this award, Mike said, "I was shocked and humbled to be presented with this award, but it wasn't just one person who won this award. Everyone had a hand in winning this award...It is actually a Hamilton Hurricanes' award". Congratulations goes out to Mike Samuel and the Hurricanes organization.

Spring Camp/Tryouts 2012

Registration

Saturday, May 5, 2012
HAAA Clubhouse - 250 Charlton Street East, Hamilton
Time: 11am-4pm

*All players registering are required to provide photocopies only of two (2) pieces of I.D. One must be of your Ontario Health Card and the other can be either of the following:

- Driver's License
- Passport
- Birth Certificate (Preferred)

Spring Camp/ Tryouts

This camp is open to all players born between 1990-1994

Cost: \$75 per player (\$275 per player if Hurricanes' equipment required)

Dates:

Tuesday, May 22, 2012 @ 7pm-9pm
Wednesday, May 23, 2012 @ 7pm-9pm
Thursday, May 24, 2012 @ 7pm-9pm

*All camps will be held at Ivor Wynne Stadium (75 Balsam Ave, Hamilton, ON)

Player Spotlight - Cam Dakin (DB - Hurricanes 2010-2011)

Cam Dakin lives and breathes football every single day. It is the reason why he wakes up in the morning at 5am and trains hard before heading to work for a 12 hour shift. Cam has had a dream to play football at the CIS level and professionally ever since he made his first roster as a child. While in high school, Cam was a member of the Westmount Wildcats football team, the Hamilton Ironmen, and the Hamilton Hurricanes. He was a member of the 2010 and 2011 Ontario Football Conference Champion Hamilton Hurricanes as a defensive back and part of a strong Hurricanes' defence. Cam has been honoured to be a part of such a great organization over the past two years. "It was an amazing experience to be a part of a back-to-back Provincial Championship team

because I know some people can go their whole careers without winning a championship". Cam is very grateful for the opportunities that have been given to him by the Hurricanes when there was nowhere else to play football. "The Hurricanes gave me a chance to still play football while I finished up at high school and helped me prepare for the CIS". All of Cam's hard work both on the field and in the classroom over the past year has paid off. Cam has committed to the University of Toronto (U of T) for the fall of 2012 where he plans to

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- Cam Dakin

major in Kinesiology. He is looking forward to the opportunity to be a member of the Toronto Varsity Blues football team as well. "I'm going to give it everything in hopes to get some playing time throughout the year in my first year, and work towards a starting position". Cam can contribute a great deal of his success to the Hamilton Hurricanes and he will always remember the opportunities that were given to him. "Being a member of the Hurricanes' organization has changed my life and I'm extremely thankful that they were there for me when I needed a place to play. The coaches, management, and staff have helped me realize my dream of pursuing football as far as I can take it, and have helped me stay focused and committed to my goals for the future.

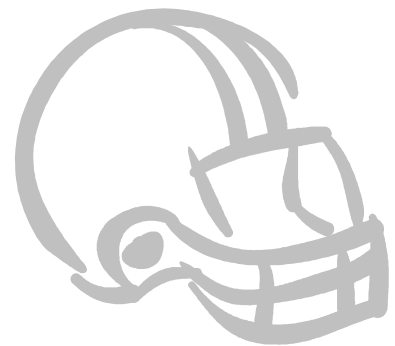
Hurricanes' Hall of Fame & Honours

At this year's Team Banquet & Gala, the Hamilton Hurricanes organization will be inducting two individuals into the Hurricanes' Hall of Fame and they will also be honouring the 2010 & 2011 Back-to-Back Ontario Football Conference Championship Hurricanes' teams.

The two individuals who will be inducted into the Hurricanes' Hall of Fame are Peggy Knill and Bonnie Griffin. These two ladies have been around the Hurricanes' organization for many years and have helped support the team in a num-

ber of different roles. Their contributions to the organization have been overwhelming and the Hamilton Hurricanes' organization will recognize these efforts during the awards ceremony at the Team Gala & Banquet on April 21, 2012.

Two of the most recent Hurricanes' teams will be honoured at the same Gala for their outstanding performances in 2010 and 2011 when they captured the OFC's Teddy Morris Memorial Trophy in consecutive years.



2012 Hamilton Hurricanes' Hall of Fame Inductees:

Peggy Knill & Bonnie Griffin

Hurricane Honours:

2010 & 2011 Back-To-Back Ontario Football Conference Champions

Upcoming Events



Hurricanes' Gala & Banquet

The Hamilton Hurricanes will be hosting their annual Gala & Banquet on

Saturday, April 21, 2012.

Location: Michelangelo's Event Venue & Conference Centre

1555 Upper Ottawa Street, Hamilton, ON

Cocktails: 6pm, **Dinner:** 7pm

Awards & Honours: 7-9pm, **Dance:** 9pm-1am

Tickets: \$75 per person. Includes Dinner and Open Bar

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Or Jennifer Silvestri: silvestri.jenny@gmail.com or 905-531-2954

2nd Annual Golf Tournament

The Hamilton Hurricanes will be hosting their 2nd Annual Golf Tournament on

Tuesday, June 26, 2012.

Location: Dundas Valley Golf & Country Club

Registration: 11am

Lunch: 11:30 A.M

Shotgun Start: 1 P.M

Dinner: 6:30pm

*NOTE: Limited to the First 120 Golfers

We offer different levels of support opportunities. We hope one of them will fit your marketing budget.

Single Golfer Cost: \$200.00

Golf Foursome Cost: \$750.00

Tournament Sponsor:

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Program Ad Cost: \$150.00

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