

ROSS LEMKE from THE UNIVERSITY OF MONTREAL receives the 2004 **Gino Fracas Award** as the CIS Most Outstanding Volunteer Assistant Coach.

Hamilton – Ross Lemke of the University of Montreal is the 2004 recipient of the Gino Fracas Award as the Most Outstanding Volunteer Coach in Canadian University Football.

The award was presented on Friday, November 26 by Football Canada at the Russ Jackson Award & CFL Coach of the Year Brunch.

Named in honour of Gino Fracas, legendary coach at the Universities of Alberta and Windsor, the award recognizes outstanding career service by a volunteer assistant football coach.

Montreal Head Coach Jacques Dussault is quick to credit Ross for developing the young quarterbacks of the “Carabins” and contributing greatly to the team’s first place regular season record of 8 wins and 0 losses. This former Quebec Coach of the Year is known for taking the best interests of his players to heart, spending countless hours guiding and assisting them both on and off the field. In addition, he is heavily involved in the team’s recruiting program, specifically spending much of his time assessing players at the collegiate level. Ross is a certified Level Two football coach and has completed the Level Three Technical Component of the National Coaching Certification Program.

Prior to joining the University of Montreal coaching staff, Ross achieved a great deal of success as both a coach and administrator at the community, high school and collegiate levels of competitive football in Quebec.

The Gino Fracas Award was introduced in 1988. Previous winners are:

1988	-	Morgan Clark, University of Windsor
1989	-	Phil Hughes, St. Francis Xavier University
1990	-	John MacNeil, Mount Allison University
1991	-	Clarke Samways, University of Western Ontario
1992	-	Doug Smith, University of Toronto
1993	-	Bob Mullen, Queen's University
1994	-	Bill Miklas, Queen's University
1995	-	Gary Kirchner, McGill University
1996	-	Peter Regimbald, Concordia University
1997	-	Rita Sue Bolton, Queen’s University
1998	-	Mark Forsyth, McMaster University
1999	-	John Belmont, University of Alberta
2000	-	Kevin Artichuk, Saint Francis Xavier
2001	-	Frank Gesztesi, McMaster University
2002	-	Barry Radcliffe, University of Saskatchewan
2003	-	Rob Dalley, Wilfrid Laurier University

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