



MIKE WASHBURN

All-Round/Athlete · Inducted 1999

In this day of specialization one can occasionally find an athlete who excels in two sports. You may even be able to cite the name of one who played well in three sports. But five? And all at the highest level available to him or her? Hardly! Well, Oromocto's Mike Washburn is that one-in-a-million athlete whose resume includes Canadian professional football (in Vancouver and Montreal), national senior volleyball, Canada Games and CIAU track and field, national junior softball, and Atlantic University wrestling. Then, throw in a third place finish in the Gillette Canadian Open Fitness Challenge for good measure! His awards are many, - all-star selections, M.V.P. trophies, athlete-of-the-year shields, enrolment in the Fredericton Sports Wall of Fame; but none is sweeter than the pleasure he derived from competing against the very best teams and individuals these five sports could provide.

Career Highlights:

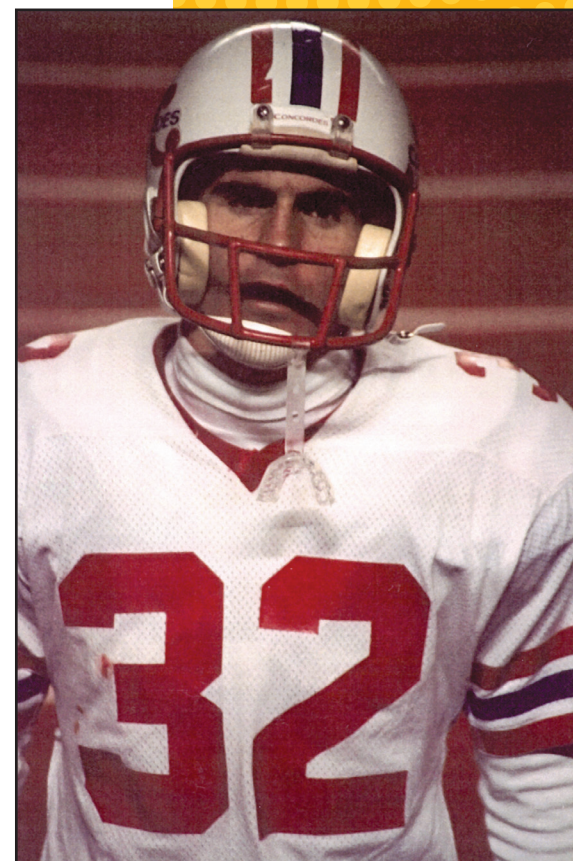
- Played professionally in the Canadian Football League for the British Columbia Lions (1982-83) and the Montreal Concordes (1983-85).
- Played football for the University of New Brunswick from 1978-81.
- Played volleyball at the Senior and University levels, helping UNB to an AUAA championship in 1980 and a fourth place finish at the CIAU.
- Won a silver medal in the 1980 AUAA wrestling tournament.
- Competed for UNB in the triple jump at the 1979 CIAU Track and Field Championships.
- Won a gold medal in the triple jump at the AUAA Track and Field Championships.
- Winner of the 1979 Canada Open Fitness Challenge in Toronto.

Hometown: Oromocto

Current Community: Fredericton

Web page: <https://www.nbsportshalloffame.com/honoured-members/michael-washburn>

Tips for teachers: Mike speaks English and likes to present in the classroom. He has a USB and CD with a short video about the NB Sports Hall of Fame and would like a table to display his artefacts. The video is also available on line at [youtube.com/watch?v=3sq8KHLc-4w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3sq8KHLc-4w)



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