



Arthur Finnamore

"The Gear of War"



H.F.989.2-1 a-c : Trophy, 1903 C - metal, silver

Marks and Labels

Presented to the Local Hockey Champions by the Fredericton Skating Company Ltd. Winners 1902-03

Description

Large silver trophy with two ornamental handles. The top lid of the trophy is waved with six raised areas and six dips. Beneath that is a decorative repetitive flower pattern which encircles the circumference of the trophy where the top of the handles join the cup. Beneath this is another engraving which encircles the trophy where the trophy starts to narrow in width. This pattern consists of a draped flower chain which dips and raises to a point where there is a bow in 8 places. Beneath this in centre front is a raised jewelled crown.

Narrative

The Fredericton Skating Rink Co. Ltd. Trophy 1902-03 was presented to the Fredericton Trojan Hockey Club after winning the trophy three years in a row 1902-03, 1903-04, and 1904-05. The Fredericton Skating Company Ltd. was formed in 1902 to build the Arctic Rink, Fredericton's first indoor skating rink on the site of the present day Fredericton Public Library on Carleton Street. S. H. Sterling, the manager of the Trojans was given possession of the trophy. The trophy was then passed on to Stuart Gay, a close friend of the Sterling family. Mr. Gay was also given possession of photographs which are also in the NBSHF, Stuart Gay's collection. One such photograph (H.F.988.21-5) of the Trojan Hockey Club shows the trophy and Mr. Sterling in the background. Honoured Member Arthur Finnamore (Inducted 1976) was a member of the Trojans Hockey Team.