



*Alberta Golf Hall of Fame
Distinguished Service Award*

Ken Heywood

Inducted: 2010

*Club Affiliation: Red Deer Golf and Country
Club*

Hailing from Crossfield, Alberta, Ken moved to Red Deer in 1974 and began his lifelong career as a Chartered Accountant. In 1977 he was elected to the Red Deer GCC Board and through 1982 was instrumental in developing a club attitude of contributing its golf facilities for the betterment of amateur golf. This attitude is embraced to this day as the club has hosted a number of local, regional, provincial and national golf championships. Ken served a second stint on the Red Deer GCC Board from 2001-2005 to assist in the planning and implementation of the construction of a grand new clubhouse and major course renovations.

Provincially, Ken was elected to the Alberta Golf Association Board in the mid 1980's where he again played a prominent role in promoting amateur golf at the provincial level, rising to the position of President in 1994. While serving the AGA Board, Ken was instrumental in forming the Alberta Golf Association Foundation which became instrumental in raising funds for post secondary scholarships and golf industry research. Today the Foundation has grown to provide annual scholarship bursaries in excess of \$60,000 to Alberta students. He also served an influential role in merging the Alberta Ladies and Men's Golf Association's, a trend that would eventually be followed right across Canada.