

4) George Sproule Memorial Award (Unsung Hero)



George Sproule. George Sproule, a member of the Canadian Lacrosse Hall of Fame, whose Excelsior playing career spanned 24 years, was the first recipient of the Jim Murphy Memorial Trophy as the most valuable and most sportsmanlike player in the Ontario Association. Sproule first appeared in a Mann Cup final in 1914 when Brampton lost 10-7 to Vancouver Athletics in a two-game total-goal playoff. George played with the Brampton OALA senior champions of 1912, 1913, 1914, 1926, 1930 and 1931. He received the Murphy Memorial Trophy following Brampton Excelsior's 1930 Mann Cup Canadian senior championship win over New Westminster Salmonbellies at Varsity Stadium. His active playing career almost ended when he slipped and broke an ankle while scoring a goal in the second game of the New Westminster series at Varsity Stadium. He did return to play for the Excelsior 1931 Mann Cup champions. He was an outstanding player throughout his career, respected both on and off the field of lacrosse wars.

Recipients: Scott Carnegie (2009)