

## 5) Jim Clevely Memorial Award (Outstanding Rookie)



**James Clevely.** Jim's background in Lacrosse dated back to 1930, when at the age of 16 he was the team "mascot" for the Brampton Excelsior Jr "A" OLA champions. In 1931 he played with the Brampton Juveniles, who won the Ontario Lacrosse Association Championship. He played for the Brampton Excelsior Senior "A" teams in the O.A.L.A in 1932, 1933, 1935 and 1937. Five years later, in 1942, Clevely's playing career ended and his coaching career began. Clevely's coaching achievements won him three Ontario Championships, one in Midget in 1944 and two in Juvenile in 1945 and 1946. In 1948, he guided the Brampton Junior 'A' team to the Ontario Lacrosse Association finals. He also coached an Intermediate team in Georgetown in the late 1950's. In addition to his twenty-five years of coaching, Clevely's interests expanded to various executive roles. Clevely took an active role as an executive member of the Brampton Minor Lacrosse Association. He advanced through the ranks of the Executive and served a term as President. He also helped the formation of the Lakeshore Lacrosse League, opening the door for competition of Brampton teams in West Toronto.

Recipients: Michael Burke and Steve Fryer (2009)