

Wisconsin Soccer Hall of Fame – Class of 2018 Bios



Dave Flanagan, Oconomowoc Soccer

David Flanagan learned about soccer as young child from playing on a local team coached by a coach from Eastern European country. It wasn't until he moved his family to Oconomowoc and his sons Niall and Bryan started playing you U12 and U8 that David began his coaching adventure. David found most coaches were more concern about winning as opposed to developing players. So, David attend his first Oconomowoc Soccer Association(OSA) board meeting to discuss this issue and found a young board struggling to run a club. He started attending board meetings on a regular basis and became chair of the club's annual tournament. In 1990 David was elected President of OSA and started his career as youth soccer administrator while he continued to coach his club girls team and became a referee. David set goal for his club to develop youth players, educate coaches, develop better programs for his club and advocate for the small developing clubs. As part of these goals David started attending Waukesha District board meetings and was elected to represent the district on the Wisconsin Youth Soccer (WYSA) Board of Directors. When David completed his term, he joined the WYSA as a Girls League Director as well as Boys League Director and was part of the original committee that created the State Girls League as well as the WARS League in Waukesha County. Under David supervision the league grew into one of WYSA most successful programs. David during his tenure (1994 to 2007) with the WYSA, he held the following positions: State Cup Chair, Boys State League Director and Director of Competition. David also was instrumental in developing the following policies: requiring coaching education and licensing, background checks for coaches and develop rules for club pass. While this was all going on David became an assistant coach for Oconomowoc High School Girls varsity and continued to coach his nieces U-10 team in Hustisford, U-18 Oconomowoc Boys team and U-18 Waukesha Girls team. In 2007 David became Administrator for US Youth Soccer Region II and served in that position until 2014. You can still find David on the sidelines of many Midwest Region League games as site coordinator. David lives in Oconomowoc with his wife Kris. They visit their sons, Niall (Emily) and their son Myles who lives in Lithia, FL. and Bryan (Kelly) and their sons Rylan, Rory and Parker who lives in Nashville, TN.



Robert Gottschlich, Milwaukee Sport Club

Robert Gottschlich started playing youth soccer in 1969 with Milwaukee Sport Club. Rob was a top player in these early years with MSC as he was always one of the top goal scorers and a perennial state all-star. In 1974, Rob's midget team won the state championship and this team, coached by John Pflaz, was always one of the top teams in the state. Rob credits coach Pflaz for not only teaching the technical aspect of the game but also stressing the subtle tactical elements that are so critical to team development. Rob started playing for Sport Clubs major team at the age of 17 and was a physical force to be reckoned with for the next 15 years. As a midfielder, who was faster and stronger than most of the players he came up against, Rob played penalty area to penalty area better than most. To say Rob had an unbridled passion for the game would be an understatement. During Rob's major league career, Sport Club made the

championship two times and won the state amateur and open cup in 1988. As one of the best players in the state of Wisconsin, Rob was invited to try out for U.S. Olympic soccer team in 1982. Again, Rob credits 2 of his coaches during his major career that were instrumental in his development. ...Frank Giebel and Zdenko Markovich. When Rob hung up the playing boots, he found the referee whistle. Starting in 2001 and for the next 12 years Rob could be found refereeing youth games but also referring adults when he was not coaching. As you would expect, Rob also had great success as a coach for Milwaukee Sport Club youth teams, winning many league titles. Rob then continued coaching his son's teams up to the U23 level when they won back to back championships. Rob is married to his beautiful wife Jill. They have 2 sons Brian and Kyle and reside in Germantown.



Al "Brother Ted" Jarolimek, Milwaukee Soccer

Al "Brother Ted" Jarolimek was born on May 14, 1935 in St. Louis, Missouri. As an adult player in St. Louis in the mid-50s, he played in a National Amateur Cup Final and multiple allstar games against international competition. Al joined the Society of Divine Savior in 1958. In September of 1959, Brother Ted relocated to the northwest side of Milwaukee and was a teacher and the Athletic Director at Francis Jordan High School. At Francis Jordan High School, Brother Ted pioneered a soccer movement by founding the first high school soccer conference in Wisconsin in 1965. The Wisconsin High School Soccer Conference (WHSSC) grew into the first private high school league and paved the way for the first private schools state championship. Along the way, Brother Ted also developed a feeder program at Mother of Good Counsel grade school and was instrumental in the development of a Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) soccer league. Brother Ted's coaching career is decorated with a WHSSC Championship in 1968 and WSA Junior Cup title in 1969. Brother Ted passed away in October, 2016 at the age of 81 and is being recognized posthumously for his innovation and promotion of the sport, as well as cultivating a passionate source of players and coaches during a critical phase of growth in Wisconsin soccer.



Steve Provan, Bavarian/Marquette H.S.

Steve Provan grew up in Cudahy, Wisconsin and played youth soccer for various soccer clubs starting with the Milwaukee Kickers (Bayview Kickers) and played several years for the Tosa Kicks. He attended Cudahy High School where he was a 1st team All-Conference selection his Freshmen, Sophomore, Junior and Senior Years. He was also a State Team honorable mention his junior year and a 1st Team All-State selection his Senior Year. At the club level, Steve played for the U13, U14, U15, U16, U17 & U18 Wisconsin ODP State Teams and was a member of the U17 & U18 ODP Region II (Midwest) Teams. He attended Marquette University on a soccer scholarship and graduated with honors with a degree in Mechanical Engineering December of 1993. He played on the men's soccer team from 1989 to 1992, starting 75 matches during his college career. He led the 1990 squad to 11 wins and was the Warriors' leading scorer in 1992. Awards during his Marquette career included 1st Team All Conference his Junior & Senior Year; 1st Team All-Great Lakes Region his senior year; Team MVP his Junior and Senior Year; and he was a team co-captain his Junior and Senior year. Steve also played club soccer for the Milwaukee Kickers and Milwaukee Sport Club while at Marquette.

After college, Steve was drafted in the second round of the National Professional Indoor Soccer League by the Canton Invaders in 1993 where he played for two years before being traded to the Cincinnati Silverbacks in 1995. Steve was also signed by the Milwaukee Rampage and was a starter for the Milwaukee Rampage of the A-League for its inaugural season in 1994. After two seasons with the Milwaukee Rampage, Steve moved to the Hampton Roads Mariners located in Virginia Beach, Virginia who were also members of the outdoor A-League. In addition to playing professional indoor soccer with Canton and Cincinnati, he also played professional indoor soccer for the Milwaukee Wave. Steve retired from professional soccer after returning to the Milwaukee Rampage in 1999 where he was reunited with one of his former Milwaukee Rampage coaches, Cacho Cordoba and also with his brothers, Jake and Josh, who were also members of the Rampage team that season. After his last professional match in 2000, Steve joined the Milwaukee Bavarians and was a member of two of the Bavarians National Championship teams in the early 2000s, which included winning the USASA National Cup and the National Amateur Cup in 2003 and winning the National Amateur Cup in 2002.

Steve lives in Sussex with his wife Carey and their three children Connor, Cayla and Ashley. He remains active in soccer today. Steve has his USSF National B coaching license and has coached youth soccer for many years including at the Bavarian Soccer Club and the Wisconsin Fire. He currently coaches high school soccer at Sussex Hamilton High School and at North Shore Soccer Club.



Tihi Prpa, United Serbian

Tihi Prpa was born in 1966 in Bicester, England in the Cherwell district of northeastern Oxfordshire. Tihi and his family moved to Milwaukee in 1972, where he began his soccer career with the United Serbian Soccer Club that same year. Tihi played high school soccer at Notre Dame High School, where he earned All-Conference and All-State honors. He went to play collegiately at UWM, under Coach Bob Gansler from 1984-87. After college, Tihi was drafted by the Milwaukee Wave. Tihi also played one year with the Milwaukee Rampage during their inaugural season. Tihi played major soccer for the United Serbians from 1981 to 2006. During that time Tihi was selected to the Wisconsin State Select Team and Region 2 Midwest Select Teams and was selected for the 1983 USA U17 National Team Camp. Tihi led the Serbians to a state league championship in 1994 and was selected to numerous Wisconsin All-Star teams, Midwest Regional teams and the US Olympic Festival team. Playing at an elite level until the amazing age of 42, Tihi is remembered for his incredible speed, ball-handling magic, booming shot, and on-field leadership. Tihi and his wife Gana live in Wind Lake with their sons Leki and Luka.



Jason Willan, Sport Club/Croatian Eagles

Jason Willan was born in Sheboygan in 1971 and grew up in Menomonee Falls. His soccer career began with Milwaukee Sport Club youth teams where he was quickly recognized as a rising star. To say that Jason was fast was an understatement. To say that Jason had amazing technical ability again, was an understatement. When you are able to combine these two attributes that are so critical to the game on soccer, it is no wonder that Jason went on to a storied amateur and professional soccer career. On the youth level, Jason played for Menomonee Fall HS and also Milwaukee Sport Club. For his high school team Jason was the leading scorer and an all-state player. For Sport Club youth teams, again, Jason was one of the top players and his teams won championships. At the age of 17, Jason was brought up to the major team at Sport Club. It did not take him long to adapt to a quicker and more physical style of play. It did not take long before he was running past defenders and scoring goal after goal. In the mid 90's it was time for Jason to move to the next level of soccer as a professional. Jason played for the Milwaukee Rampage (1995-2001) of the USL A-League and the Detroit Rockers (1996-1998) of the MPSL. Jason was the rookie of the year for Detroit and an allstar for the Rampage. Jason also played for the Milwaukee Wave for 4 years and Minnesota Thunder for 3 years. With the Wave, Jason won a league title in 2000 and also held the record for the most points scored in a game. Jason came back to amateur soccer in Wisconsin in 1999 and played for the Croatian Eagles for the next 17 years. Even as a player in his 30's and 40's, Jason was still one of the best on the field. With the Eagles, Jason was the attacking midfielder in 2012 when they won the U.S. Amateur Cup. Jason currently resides in Oconomowoc with his girlfriend Karen.



Markus Roeders, Marquette University

Markus Roeders was born in Berlin, Germany and played his collegiate soccer at Brevard College and UNC Asheville. He was two-time member of Big South Presidential Honor Roll, earning a bachelor's degree in Business Administration in 1990. In 1992 Markus became an assistant coach for Marquette University men's team with a dual role as assistant women's team starting in 1993. In 1996 Markus was promoted to MU women's head coach and served in that roll for the next twenty-two years. He has a career record of 302-119-49 and has proven he can coach a team that knows how to win. Moreover, he has developed a program with a winning tradition, one that is a consistently nationally ranked and one of the top teams in the Big East conference. During his tenure, Markus has produced 125 all-conference, 68 all-region, and 12 All - America. His teams have won 10 conference titles, including 5 consecutive Big East regular season crowns (2009-2013) and 3 Big East tournaments championships and 13 NCAA tournament appearances with three Sweet 16 finishes. He has been named Big East Coach of the Year five times, Conference USA Coach twice and Coach of Decade and NCAA Region Coach multiple times. Markus has been involved with Wisconsin Youth Soccer Association as Girls ODP coach, a Wisconsin youth club coach and a Top Soccer volunteer. He is currently US Youth Soccer Region II Girls Head Age Group coach and has taken ODP teams to national tournaments as well as international events including France, Costa Rica and Brazil. Markus and his wife, Katherine have a son Kegan and reside in Cedarburg, WI.



John Trask, Milwaukee Kickers/UW-Madison

A native of Milwaukee, John began his playing career in 1977 with the Milwaukee Kicker's Soccer Club in both their youth and adult programs. John then played for the Milwaukee Serbian Soccer Club major's team in the mid-80s and early 90's. John was a star for the iconic Indiana University soccer team. A four-year letter-winner for the Hoosiers from 1984-1987, John earned a bachelor's degree in management and a master's degree in kinesiology from Indiana. Prior to his return to the college game as head coach of the University of Wisconsin, John spent nine years on the coaching staff at Indiana University. After that, John spent five seasons as an assistant coach with three Major League Soccer clubs including the Miami Fusion, D.C. United and FC Dallas. Prior to being named head coach of the Badgers, John spent five seasons as head coach at the University of Illinois at Chicago where he build that program into a powerhouse that claimed three Horizon League championships and qualified for NCAA tournament play each season from 2006 to 2008. John came to Wisconsin in 2010 with the goal of returning the program to the elite ranks of college soccer. He delivered on that promise in just his fourth year, guiding Wisconsin in 2013 to its first NCAA tournament berth in 18 years and its first postseason win since its national title team in 1995. Through his eight seasons as head coach of the Wisconsin men's soccer program, John's enthusiasm and excitement has established the program once again as a perennial Big Ten and NCAA title contender. Off the field, John has taken priority in seeing his players do well in the classroom. Under his watch, over 30 men's soccer student-athletes have been earned Academic All-Big Ten honors, while his teams have received multiple awards for the top grade-point average among all men's

sports at UW. John and wife Jela live in Shorewood Hills with their son Jack.



Tim Winn, Milwaukee/Tosa Kickers

Tim has been involved with soccer for almost 50 years. He started playing soccer at the age of 11 for his grade school team and then played at Marshall HS, where he earned All-Conference and AllAmerican honors. Tim went on to play for the Milwaukee Kickers Majors/First Division teams for approximately 15 years. He has continued to play indoor and outdoor soccer in the Adult over 30 leagues, from the mid 90's until the present. Tim began his coaching career with the Tosa Kickers Soccer Club in the late 70's. He coached various boys and girls teams at the club level for 30+ years and also coached at Wauwatosa East HS for 25+ years. His Tosa East team won the State Championship in 1990. He has also been a certified referee since the late 70's, at the youth and high school level and has been selected to officiate at the WIAA State Tournament numerous times. Tim has been heavily involved in an administration of the Tosa Kickers Soccer Club for over two decades (late 90's until present), where he has served as the director of coaching; team formations for Rec and Select teams; referee assignor; managing the soccer equipment and field maintenance; assisting in the general day to day operation of the club. Tim has received a number of awards recognizing his accomplishments in the 'soccer world'. He was selected as the "Kicker of the Year" in 1979 and again in 2009 from the Milwaukee Kickers Soccer Club. He also received the "Leadership Award" from the Wauwatosa Public Library Foundation in 2007, for his positive leadership in serving the Tosa community. Tim and his wife Lisa live in Wauwatosa and have three children, Tyler, Amanda and Madeline, as well as a granddaughter, Giada.