

OQL HALL OF FAME

The OQL Hall of Fame commemorates players of tremendous skill on the quidditch pitch, players that demonstrate great leadership, and most importantly, players that have made OQL into what it is today. As this document was created during the 2009 Spring League, previous Hall of Fame inductees were selected by the OQL Expert with the help of some old veterans. All future inductees will be put through a voting process by whoever is on the current staff at the end of each year.

To be a part of this Hall of Fame, you must meet these requirements:

- Played in a minimum of three seasons at a very high level
- Influenced and trained new players into the OQL
- Left a lasting impression on the OQL that has helped it grow into what it is today

Certain achievements may also help in being inducted into the Hall of fame, but are not necessarily required. These include:

- Winning one or more quidditch world cups
- Captaining one or more teams
- Winning many tournament events
- Winning many awards at the end of seasons
- Being a part of the OQL Staff

You will not be eligible to be inducted into the Hall of Fame until you have been retired from playing for at least two seasons.

2006 Hall of Fame Class

Zach Soch – Founder of OQL

This league would not exist if it were not for this man. Zach was the co-founder of another league called the Quidditch RPG that was played on AIM chats. He discovered the Mugglenet chat server in 2003 and thought it would be a perfect opportunity to start something new. He founded what is now known as the Online Quidditch League and never looked back. Using IRC, he was able to create many refbots and broomrider scripts, something he could not do on AIM. Using these, he was able to hold more effective games. From 2003 to 2006, his knowledge of IRC became more elaborate and he was able to make better and more sophisticated refs and broomriders eliminating the

need for manual refs. He is the creator of Broomrider A3, one we still use today. Zach's contributions to the OQL are profound and without him, we would not be here. It is without a doubt that he will remain one of the most important influences to OQL forever.

Tom Tracey – Head OQL Ref

Tom Tracey or Kristus_Vesanus as he went by, was a very important figure in the early OQL days. He was one of the first OQL'ers to play the game and was very effective at it. He captained the powerful Chudley Cannons in both the winter of 03 and summer of 04 and won the league both seasons. After that, he made appearances in a few leagues, most notably on the powerhouse 05 Puddlemere United team and the Chudley Cannons in his little brother's 06 Winter League. Tom is best known though for his reffing. He was a fantastic referee and helped Zach for many years in the early goings of OQL. He set the standard for a fair and business-like referee and we owe him great gratitude for helping this league take off.

Annie Yuan – The Seeking Queen

Annie first started playing OQL in the 2004 Summer League for the Chudley Cannons predominantly as a chaser. The team went undefeated but there was no Cup played. The following season, the winter league of 2004, was her most notable season because she boldly created a team solely out of rookies with the exception of herself as the seeker. The rookie Ballycastle Bat team went all the way to the cup and defeated the team of veterans, Puddlemere United, in the World Cup, an outcome which no one had predicted. Annie then went on to play sparingly for the Appleby Arrows in the 2005 Summer League in which they tied for the cup. Annie retired after the 2005 Summer League as one of the best seekers and chasers in the game and a fantastic role model to future OQL'ers. Her 2004 Winter League is legend and her patience and aptitude dealing with rookies was unmatched.

James Kyles – The Chasing King

James burst on the scene in the Summer League of 2004 for the Wimbourne Wasps and quickly rose up in the chaser ranks. In the Winter League of 2004, James played on Puddlemere United and was the leading chaser. United reached the cup with the help of James, but suffered a narrow defeat. The following season in the summer of 2005, James had become one of the most popular OQL players around. He became captain of Puddlemere United and assembled a superb team and made its way to the cup. James solidified himself as the most dominant chaser of his time accounting for the most goals that season. Unfortunately, the cup was cancelled that season and two teams tied for first. James finished his OQL career in the winter of 2005 on the Wigtown Wanderers, a team lead by two rookies he had found the previous season (Meagan and Rishi: both HOF'ers as well). The team also made it to the cup with his help and drew for a tie for first place. James is the original king of chasing and set the tone for the following generations of chasing greats. His legacy will not be forgotten.

Alyssa Zeeshan

Alyssa began playing OQL as a chaser on the Appleby Arrows in the 2004 Winter League. Her team was relatively young though and they finished winless. The following

season she played for the Appleby Arrows and helped lead them to a tie for first. She continued to chase throughout her OQL career, playing for the Tutshill Tornadoes in the 2005 Winter League, the Wimbourne Wasps in the 2006 Spring League, and finally the Moose Jaw Meteorites in the 2006 Summer League, which she captained. Her last official season was the 2007 Spring League where she partly captained the Doctors of Domination. After her retirement, she has periodically helped out as a commentator and was a big part of live OQL commentary in the 2008 Summer League.

Paige Mewhirter

Paige first started OQL in the 2004 Summer League playing as a Keeper for the Wimbourne Wasps. One season later she was already captaining in the 2004 Winter League for the Appleby Arrows. While in both these seasons her teams suffered a no-wins streak, her team in the 2005 Summer League - again the Appleby Arrows (where she played keeper/seeker) - managed to turn her OQL career around. The 2005 Summer League Arrows only lost twice, putting them in the rankings for the World Cup. However, the cup was not played. She also played in the 2005 Winter League. Paige's last main season was the 2006 Spring League, where she captained the Wimbourne Wasps. The Wasps were in the running for the Cup; however, the league was based on points, and they fell just short of the cup. After the 2006 Spring League, Paige played OQL on and off before taking her leave.

2007 Hall of Fame Class

Jon Tracey – The Ladies Man

Jon Tracey was a very interesting individual. Coming out of the shadow of his older brother in 2005, he made a name for himself by consistently captaining good teams starting with the Kestrels in the summer of 2005. That team, despite being underdogs against the arrows and United, fought valiantly and even beat them a few times before falling short in the end. Jon, always popular with new players (especially young girls), had a way of bringing the best out of new players. He is however, known for the winter of 2006, in which he was in charge of the OQL. There was a transition time after Zach left and Meagan took over where there was no OQL taking place. Jon took it upon himself to create a league on all his own. He created his own broom script titled DarkLight and ran an effective winter league. Without this league, OQL might have lost many players due to OQL inactivity. Jon will forever be known for his nick Del_Felesif, Darklight, his spaced ellipses, and of course, his way with the young ladies.

Rishi Shukla – Mr. Omnipresent

Rishi joined the OQL world in the summer of 2005 for the Puddlemere United. With the help of captain James and fellow rookie Meagan, he quickly became a great chaser. By the end of the season, he had become a top-notch chaser and won rookie of the season. The following season, Rishi was the cocaptain for the Wigtown Wanderers. He led a dominant chasing lineup along with fellow HOF'ers James and Chris and tied for the World Cup. The following season, he became a captain of one of the most dominant team of all time; the Caerphilly Catapults. This team, which included 3 current HOF'ers

and most likely 3 or 4 future HOF'ers breezed through the season and won the Cup. The following season, Rishi played for the Woollongong Warriors and surprised everyone by playing as a beater during the cup and helping them win. He sparingly played for the Cannons in the 2006 Winter League to finish his OQL playing career. After that, Rishi was known as Meagan's right hand man, helping her with the backyard quidditch league as the Player Administrator. By the end of the 2007 summer league, he had officially been named the Head of OQL and he still is today. Rishi has brought many creative new ideas to the league such as. Rishi will be known as a selfless man who has always given his all to OQL

Meagan Lomonof –

There's only word to describe this woman: Perfect. She had it all, ability, intelligence, nerve, courage, and most of all, respect. Meagan splashed onto the scene in the summer of 2005 joining the vaunted Puddlemere United along with fellow HOF'er Rishi. She rapidly became an outstanding beater and was known for her great practice scenarios. The following season, she became captain of the Wigtown Wanderers and had the most powerful team. Her training sessions and leadership were unmatched and all her players excelled under her. The team made the cup and tied for first place. The following season she was part of the infamous Caerphilly Catapult team which won the cup outright. The following season she captained the Moose Jaw Meteorites and narrowly lost in the cup to an equally strong Woollongong Warriors team. She played sparingly for the Chudley Cannons in the winter of 2006, but then returned full force for her final season in the spring of 2007 for the Dueling Storms. That team finished in first place as well and her legacy was set in stone. Despite all this, Meagan is best known for her new idea for the league. Popularity was dying after the 2006 league and the league seemed unfair with its rules. Meagan revolutionized the OQL into what it is today, creating backyard Quidditch without seeking and becoming the new head of the OQL. This idea flourished and the first season was the biggest season in the history of the OQL. The concepts of Backyard are still used today and it is all thanks to her. OQL would have died after 2006 if and she is the main reason for our success today. She will never be forgotten.

2008 Hall of Fame Class

Chris Englander – The Scripting God

What can one say about the hilarious personality of Chris? Always so fruity and joyful, his mannerisms left a profound effect on OQL, among many other things. Chris started officially as a rookie in the summer of 2005 playing for the Kenmare Kestrels. Chris started as a seeker but realized his true aptitude was in chasing. The Kenmare Kestrels were an average team, but he excelled along with fellow HOF'er Jon as captain. The following season he joined the Wigtown Wanderers and with him, their chasing lineup became the best in the league. He quickly made a name for himself in a specific aspect of chasing; stealing. Known as the master thief himself, his prowess at stealing made him a feared chaser. Chris followed by playing for the Falmouth Falcons, the Patonga Proudsticks, Toasted Wooden Teriyaki Chickens, and finishing his career with

the Stonewall Stormers. Chris is best known, however, for his scripting. Always a good scripter, his true talents were observed after the departure of Zach. He is responsible for every new program that came out including the powerful Ref Bot we use today. He also puts fear in the eyes of cheaters and has caught many using his IRC knowledge. Chris will be remembered for his amazing steals, his solid chasing, his incredible scripting, but most of all, his charming personality.

Salina – The Original Recruitment Extraordinaire

One of the few masters of every aspect of OQL, her presence has been severely missed since her departure at the end of the 2007 Summer League. One of the nicest people around the OQL, her cheery demeanor made everyone want to keep playing. Salina was found by Meagan in the winter league of 2005 for the Wigtown Wanderers. She quickly became a great beater and helped the team to the final and drew for the cup. She then was a part of the infamous CC team led by Rishi called the Caerphilly Catapults. She there became a master of beating, chasing, and seeking, playing all three in the course of the season en route to winning the Quidditch World Cup. The following season, she captained the Woollongong Warriors and led them to another World Cup title by barely catching the snitch over HOF'er Meagan. The follow season, on the toasted wooden teriyaki chickens, she mastered the final position of keeper and helped them into tying for first place. She finished her career in the summer of 2007 with the Fitchburg Finches. Despite being one of the few to master all four positions, Salina is best known for her recruiting expertise. She is responsible for finding more rookie players to the OQL than anyone before or anyone after her. Without her, the OQL would be dead today from lack of new players. It almost felt like she thought about OQL 24/7, her dedication was unmatched. The amount of pickup games she started has never been seen again and is something that should be sought. Many players today still remember her ability to make you want to play at any given time on any given day. This ability along with her joyful attitude will be remembered forever.

2009 Hall of Fame Class

None were deemed worthy enough to enter the great OQL halls.