



International
Paralympic
Committee

IPC Governing Board Biography Sheet

Name: Sir Philip Craven

Position: President

Nationality: British

Date and Place of Birth: 4 July 1950; Bolton



Major Contributions to Sport for Athletes with an Impairment

- President, International Paralympic Committee (IPC) (2001-present)
- Member, International Olympic Committee (IOC) (2003-present)
- Member, Executive Board, British Olympic Association (2003-present)
- Board Member, London 2012 Organizing Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games (2005-present)
- Administration Council Member, International Committee for Fair Play (2003-)
- Foundation Board Member, World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) (2002-2011)
- Board Member, Olympic Truce Foundation (2002-present)
- Member, IOC Commission for Culture and Olympic Education (2005-present),
- Member, IOC 2008 Beijing Co-ordination Commission (2002-2009)
- Member, IOC Sport & Environment Commission (2002-2005)
- Member, IOC Congress 2009 Commission (2006-2009)
- President, International Wheelchair Basketball Federation (1998-2002)
- Chairman, Classification Committee, Basketball Section ISMWSF (1984-1988)
- Chairman, Great Britain Wheelchair Basketball Association (1977-1980, 1984-1987, 1989-1994)

Sporting Achievements

- Five time Paralympian in Wheelchair Basketball (1972-1988) and Swimming (1972)
- International Achievements in Wheelchair Basketball:
 - Gold medal - World Championship/Gold Cup (1973)
 - Bronze medal - World Championship/Gold Cup (1975)
 - Gold medal – European Championship (1971 and 1974)
 - Silver medal – European Championship (1993)
 - Gold medal – European Champions Cup (1994)

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- Gold medal – Commonwealth Games (1970)

Awards

- Honorary Doctorate of the University of Bolton (2013)
- Humanitarian Award Global Sports Development (2012)
- Honorary Doctor of the University Worcester (2012)
- Honorary Doctor of the University Manchester (2012)
- Order of Friendship – Russia (2012)
- Sport Industry Awards - Lifetime Achievement (2012)
- Honorary Doctor of the University of Stirling (2010)
- Honorary Fellow St. John Moores University Liverpool (2009)
- Honorary Degree of Doctor , Staffordshire University (2008)
- Honorary Doctorate of Laws, Nottingham University (2007)
- Chevalier de l'Ordre Ducal de la Croix de Bourgogne (2007)
- Order of Merit of the Italian Republic- Gran Ufficiale (2006)
- Honorary Doctorate of Science, Manchester Metropolitan University (2006)
- Juan Antonio Samaranch Disabled Athlete Award (2006)
- Gold Medal of the City of Turin by Mayor Camparino (2006)
- Knight Bachelor by HM Queen Elizabeth II for services to Paralympic Sport (2005)
- Gold Medal of the City of Athens by Mayor Dora Bakoyiannis (2004)
- Induction into the Stoke Mandeville Hall of Fame (2003)
- Member of the Order of the British Empire (MBE) by HM Queen Elizabeth II for services to Wheelchair Basketball (1991)
- La medaille d'argent de la Jeunesse et des Sports, France (1973)

Professional Career

- Performance Director, GB Men's Wheelchair Basketball Team (1998-2002)
- CEO, International Wheelchair Basketball Federation (1994-1998)
- Company Secretary, British Coal Corporation (1986-1991)

Education

- Bachelor of Arts in Geography (Honours), Manchester University (1969-1972)

Languages

- English, French, German (basic)

Hobbies

- Wine enthusiast, gardening and sports