

GIMLI *Ice* festival

THE FALCONS 100th ANNIVERSARY 1920-2020



The Falcons won Canada's first-ever Olympic medal in hockey

(Photo Courtesy Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame & Museum)

The Winnipeg Falcons was a hockey team of the early 20th century that was made up almost solely of players of Icelandic heritage. In 1920, they won Olympic gold in Antwerp, Belgium, in the first Olympic hockey tournament. Although some sources have identified the Toronto Granites as the first Canadian Olympic hockey team to win gold at the 1924 Olympic Winter Games, Hockey Canada and the Canadian Olympic Hall of Fame now recognize the Falcons as the first Canadians and the first team ever to win Olympic gold in the sport. In addition to the commendations that went with the first-ever Olympic gold medal in hockey, the triumph of the 1920 Winnipeg Falcons is a story of perseverance over adversity and underdogs beating long odds. (Article by Tim Campbell , The Canadian Encyclopedia)

FALCONS 100 YEARS COMMEMORATIVE POND HOCKEY EVENT MARCH 7TH 1-3 PM AT THE GIMLI HARBOUR



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Participants of this Special Pond Hockey event will receive a complimentary Falcons 1920-2020 hockey jersey and also be presented with a commemorative medal after their game