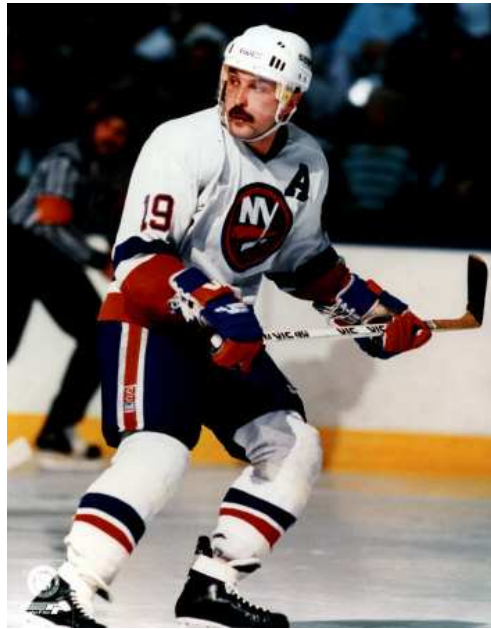


## **Bryan Trottier (b. 1956): NHL Hall of Famer**

Bryan Trottier, a Metis, was born in Val Marie, Saskatchewan. He is one of the greatest hockey players to ever come out of Saskatchewan. Over an 18-year National Hockey League career, he led his teams to the Stanley Cup six times, including four consecutive titles with the New York Islanders in the early 1980s.

From 1972 to 1974 Bryan played for the Swift Current Broncos, and moved with the Broncos to Lethbridge for the 1974-75 season to finish his junior hockey career. That same year he was voted Most Valuable Player in the Western hockey League. He was drafted by the New York Islanders in 1974.

In 1975, at age 19, he made the jump to the National Hockey League. He scored three goals and had five points at the Islanders home opener that year. In 1978 and led the NHL with 77 assists. The next year he was unstoppable, using his playmaking skills to collect 87 assists and his ability around the net to record 47 goals. He was the league's top scorer and won the Hart Trophy as the most valuable player. In 1980 the Islanders won the Stanley Cup and Trottier was the star, leading all playoff scorers with 29 points and earning the Conn Smythe Trophy as the most outstanding post-season performer. He went on to lead the New York Islanders to four Stanley Cups and played on two Pittsburgh Penguin Stanley Cup winners. He is seventh on the NHL all time players list with 1,279 games played, 524 goals, 901 assists and 1,425 total career points. He was inducted into the National Hockey League's Hockey Hall of Fame in 1997. In 1998, he received an Aboriginal Achievement Award for Sports.



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