

Roderick and Magnus Flett: Stanley Cup Winners

Rod Flett was on three Stanley Cup winning teams. The first cup was won by the Winnipeg Victorias in 1896. His younger brother Magnus Flett also played for the Winnipeg Victorias when they won the Stanley Cup again in 1901 and 1902.

Magnus Linklater Flett. (b. 1878)

Metis hockey player Magnus Flett from Kildonan was born on September 1, 1878, the son of David Flett and Catherine McLeod. Both Magnus and his brother Roderick played for the 1901 and 1902 Stanley Cup champion Winnipeg Victorias. He played counter point position, now known as right defense. The brothers were good-sized men, Rod stood 6' 3" and Magnus was 6'1". The 1896 and 1901 Winnipeg Victorias are inducted into the Manitoba Hockey Hall of Fame and the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame and Museum in the team category. Another Metis, Antoine Gingras also played with the 1901 and 1902 Victorias.

Roderick McLeod Flett. (1873-1927)

Metis hockey player Rod Flett from Kildonan was born on February 27, 1873, the son of David Flett and Catherine McLeod. Rod played for the first Manitoba team to win the Stanley cup, the 1896 Victorias. Both Roderick and his brother Magnus played for the 1901 and 1902 Stanley Cup champion Winnipeg Victorias. In 1896 they defeated the Montreal Victorias for the cup, in 1901 they defeated the Montreal Shamrocks and in 1902 they defeated the Toronto Wellingtons. Pre NHL the Stanley Cup was a challenge trophy where any championship team could challenge the current Stanley Cup champion. In 1896 The Winnipeg Victorias challenged the Montreal Victorias winning the game 2-0.



Winnipeg was the first team outside Quebec to win the Stanley Cup. Rod played point position, now known as left defense. The brothers were good-sized men, Rod stood 6' 3" and Magnus was 6'1". The 1896 and 1901 Winnipeg Victorias are inducted into the Manitoba Hockey Hall of Fame and the Manitoba Sports Hall of Fame and Museum in the team category.





WINNIPEG VICTORIAS - 1901.

Senior hockey champions of Canada—Winner, of the Stanley Cup, which was then an amateur trophy. Back row, left to right, Mart Hooper, trainer; Burke Wood, left wing, John Marshall, spore; J. C. G. Armytage, president; G. A. Carruthers, **Tony Gingras**, right wing; Fred Cadham, spare. Front row, T. Robinson, secretary; Charlie Johnstone, rover; **Rod Flett**, point; Dan Bain, captain and centre; **Magnus Flett**, cover point; Art Brown, goal; Walter Pratt.



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