



Sport BC's Athlete of the Year Awards is the longest-standing sport recognition event in the country. Awards in different categories are given each year to athletes, coaches and officials based on their performance and contribution to sport in the province.

Each year, nominations of BC's best and most deserving athletes are solicited from various sports organizations across the province. Once all nominations have been collected, a Selection Committee comprised of sport media and sport sector representatives meet to select finalists and award winners in each of the categories. Recipients are announced at the awards gala in March of each year.

Softball BC is pleased to announce that Danielle Lawrie has been selected as one of three finalists in nomination for the Senior Female Athlete of the Year along with Annamay Pierse of Swimming and Nicole Haywood of Canoe Kayak.

Danielle was a member of the Canadian National Team, Member of the Washington Huskies Softball Team, winners of the 2009 NCAA National Championship, nominated for Sports Woman of the Year (one of 10 finalists), nominated for ESPY Award for Best Female College Athlete (one of 5 finalists), Best USA Softball Collegiate Player of the Year.....what did she miss?? Not much since the Olympic experience was in 2008!!

Lawrie was the PAC-10 leader in wins, ERA, strikeouts and shutouts, and was in the Top 3 of each of those categories in the entire NCAA. The University of Washington finished the season ranked #3 in the NCAA ranks. Lawrie broke her own school season records with 472 strikeouts, 37 wins and 19 shutouts. In addition, she had a streak of 64.1 consecutive scoreless innings, and 90.0 innings without allowing an earned run.

The Canada Cup had one of its most entertaining finals when Canada met USA in the final. Danielle pitched 5 2/3 innings, scattering 9 hits, 1 ER, no walks and 2 strikeouts. Canada eventually lost 2-3 in the bottom of the 7th inning.

As a member of Team Canada, Danielle captured a silver medal at the Pan Am Championships in Maracay, Venezuela. Canada defeated the US 3 -1 for the second time since 2005. In that win Danielle contributed to the win by belting the first pitch she saw over the fence in centre field.

Danielle played 5 years in the White Rock Renegades program, contributing to the winning of several Championships. She has been a member of the Canadian National Team since 2005, a former Canadian Junior National Team member and a member of their Developmental Team.

