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Margaret Birdsell (Crosland Berezowski), Official



Margaret Birdsell (Crosland Berezowski), is a Canadian Junior and Senior Women's Champion and a North American Figure Skating Championships and World Figure Skating Championships multi-year competitor. After retiring in 1959, and for the next thirty years, Margaret was a well-known World/Olympic Figure Skating Judge and International Figure Skating Referee and a recognized leader in Canada for her dedication to the development of skaters, coaches, and officials.

In addition to judging at the 1984 Sarajevo Olympic Winter Games and officiating at the 1989 Special Olympics in Reno, Nevada Margaret focused on the National Development of figure skaters. She chaired the first Alberta Skaters Development Committee; pursuing her dream of encouraging young Alberta skaters. She also served on the National Development Committee. In her role as advisor, Margaret assisted many young skaters including Brian Pockar and Kurt Browning. Margaret occupied much of her time, conducting seminars for the purpose of training judges as well as skaters and coaches.

Margaret has previously been awarded the Alberta Government Achievement Award as an outstanding Albertan and was inducted into the Alberta Sports Hall of Fame in 1983.