## Sonny Tougas National Bursary Program Aka 'The Sonny Fund'

This Bursary is designed to aid a young person in their quest to further their education beyond secondary school. While it is within the discretion of the deciding committee, the intent is to support post-secondary education at the university, college, or technical school level.

This Bursary was founded to honour the memory of Maurice 'Sonny' Tougas, a Canadian Kennel Club All Breed Judge who passed away on October 31, 2008. Sonny had a profound impact on the sport of pure bred dogs and was instrumental in mentoring anybody who came to him for help in various aspects of our sport.

#### Criteria

The applicant should be a full time student and enrolled, or approved for enrollment at a university or technical college. Age is immaterial.

The applicant would have been involved in the sport of purebred dogs for a minimum of two (2) years, whether it be conformation or performance events sanctioned by the Canadian Kennel Club.

# Application

In addition to the above mentioned criteria, the applicant will be expected to provide to the committee:

- 1) An academic transcript or transcripts from previous institutions that the applicant has attended
- 2) Two letters of reference which would reflect the applicants worthiness.
  - a) From a teacher or instructor
  - b) From a member of the dog community or an individual who has know the applicant for at least two (2) years
- 3) An essay no longer than 500 words reflecting the applicant's suitability for this bursary. In this essay the applicant should cover their involvement with purebred dogs. Also of critical importance in the essay, an explanation of what makes the applicant a worthy candidate for this bursary, including career aspirations and future plans should be addressed.

#### Amount

For the year, 2015 the bursary amount will be \$1,000.00 or more.

### History

In 2014 the Sonny Fund awarded:	\$1,000.00 to Heidi Morris \$   500.00 to Colton O'Shea
In 2013 the Sonny Fund awarded:	\$1,000.00 to Michelle Gaudet
In 2012 the Sonny Fund awarded:	\$1,000.00 to Mary Catherine Campbell
In 2011 The Sonny Fund awarded:	\$1,000.00 to Krista Macpherson
In 2010 The Sonny Fund awarded:	\$1,000.00 to Casandra Dyment
	\$500.00 to Spencer Keenes
In 2009 The Sonny Fund awarded:	\$1,000.00 to Elissa Steinback
	\$500.00 to Kenneth Jur

The recipient(s) for 2015 will be announced at the CPHA dinner on August 7,2015 The CPHA dinner will be held in conjunction with the Edmonton Kennel Club Dog Show in Edmonton, Alberta.

#### Where to Apply Applications, along with supporting documentation can be sent to: Larry Kereluke 110 - 130 Creek Bend Road Winnipeg, Manitoba R2N OK1 Applicants may also email application to: <u>Ikereluk@mymts.net</u>

Deadline July 31, 2015