

HOTG...MORE Gil Scott

The career of Sports Agent Gil Scott was featured in the Winter 2019 issue. His early start as an agent began with meeting the following CFL players...

*** Charles "Chuck" Ealey** (born January 6, 1950) is a former American Canadian football player for the Hamilton Tiger-Cats, Winnipeg Blue Bombers and Toronto Argonauts of the Canadian Football League. He became the first black quarterback to win the Grey Cup when he led Hamilton to the title in 1972. Ealey played college football at the University of Toledo and high school football for Notre Dame High School in Portsmouth, Ohio. He finished both his high school and collegiate careers without a single loss, and was named to several All-American teams as a senior at Toledo.

**** Nick Bastaja** (born February 4, 1953 in Grantham, England of Serbian parents) is a former professional Canadian football offensive lineman who played fourteen seasons in the Canadian Football League. He

was part of the Grey Cup championship-winning Winnipeg Blue Bombers teams of 1984 and 1988. Bastaja won the CFL's Most Outstanding Offensive Lineman Award in the 1985 CFL season. After his retirement as a player, Bastaja spent two seasons as a colour commentator for CFL games on the Canadian Football Network.

*****Dieter Brock** (born February 12, 1951 in Birmingham, Alabama). He attended Auburn University and Jacksonville State University, and graduated from Jacksonville State University in 1974. After college graduation, Brock signed a one-year contract with the Winnipeg Blue Bombers and was a starting quarterback in 1975. Nicknamed "The Birmingham Rifle", Brock is the only Blue Bombers player to win back-to-back CFL Most Outstanding Player awards in the 1980 and 1981 CFL seasons. Brock started his illustrious pro football career as a little used back-up quarterback for the Bombers in 1974. That season the team traded away their aging star passer Don Jonas to the Hamilton Tiger-Cats for the much younger

Chuck Ealey. About midway through the 1975 season Brock became the starter and that resulted in Ealey being sent to the Toronto Argonauts.

Brock left the CFL after ten seasons and joined the National Football League for the 1985 season. In what would be his only season playing in the NFL, Brock signed with the Los Angeles Rams as a 33-year-old rookie. Brock led the team to a division title, the #2 seed in the NFC playoffs, and set team rookie records for passing yards (2,658), touchdown passes (16), and passer rating (81.8) (most of his rookie passing records have since been broken).

Brock still holds the Blue Bombers record for career passing yards with 29,623.