

2022 CANADIAN RV DEALER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Roland Goreski of Campkin's RV Centre in Whitby, Ontario, wins the prestigious 2022 Canadian RV Dealer of the Year Award

Roland Goreski of Campkin's RV Centre in Whitby, Ontario was presented with the prestigious 2022 Canadian RV Dealer of the Year Award today at the RVDA of Canada's Annual Meeting held at the RV Dealers Convention/Expo in Las Vegas, NV.



Mr. Goreski thanked his family, friends and numerous business associates who have supported him throughout his career. "This is truly an honour, I want to thank you all for this amazing recognition" stated Goreski as Melanie Taylor, from RV Lifestyle Magazine, presented him with the 33rd annual Walter Paseska Memorial Canadian RV Dealer of the Year Award.

Each year, the RVDA of Canada, in conjunction with RV Lifestyle Magazine and Dealer News, invites nominations from across Canada for the Canadian RV Dealer of the Year Award. The award is dedicated to the memory of the late Walt Paseska, founder of Walt's Trailer Sales in Headingley, Manitoba, in recognition of his many years of commitment and dedication to the RV industry. Since established in 1989 by Camping Canada Magazine, this award has been presented to individuals who share Walt's enthusiasm and commitment, in recognition of their long-term contribution to the RV lifestyle, and commitment to the community as a whole.

The award is presented to a candidate who has:

- Demonstrated long-term dedication to the RV industry and promotion of the RV lifestyle by the acting dealer principal of a recognized full service RV dealership
- Shown commitment and participation in the RVDA at the provincial or national level;
- Been recognized by customers and peers as a person with the highest integrity and credibility in both work and personal life, and
- Made a contribution to their community.

Roland Goreski's experience in the RV industry began in the 1970's when he started working at his family's dealership, Skyview Trailers, in Trenton, Ontario. He worked there for



many years, both part time and fulltime in a variety of positions, eventually becoming its General Manager. Always a strong supporter of educational opportunities, Roland ensured that his staff had access to education opportunities offered through his provincial association. Roland continued to grow the business through the knowledge he gained from colleagues he met in his 20 Group.

In 1999, Roland moved over to Campkin's RV Centre as the dealership's Service Manager. From there he transitioned to managing the sales department and then became the dealership's General Manager in 2006. As General Manager he assisted with Campkin's expansion in 2009 and helped grow the company during the economic downturn. When the dealership became available for purchase in 2013, Roland jumped on the opportunity and became the new owner and president of Campkin's RV Centre.

Roland has served as a Director, Treasurer and as Vice President on the Ontario RVDA (ORVDA) board. He has also chaired the ORVDA education committee and has served on several other ORVDA committees such as the golf/AGM committee and currently the membership committee. On a national level, Roland has served as a director on the RVDA of Canada board and has been the chairperson of the national education committee. His passion for education and life-long learning has been apparent in all of the initiatives he has been involved in.

Roland has always made sure to support local charities and community events. Today he continues to support Make-a-Wish, Big Brothers Big Sisters of North Durham, and Oshawa/Whitby as well as several charitable community events such as Brooklin Fair, Port Perry Fair, Durham Highland Games and Whitby Ribfest to name just a few.

In 2018 The Whitby Chamber of Commerce awarded Campkin's the Business Achievement Award for a business employing 16 – 49 employees and in 2019 they awarded Roland the Business Person of the Year award. This award is given to a business leader in the community that has shown excellence in leadership, community engagement, and cooperate social responsibility.

Along with our winner, the nominees for this year's Award were:

- Chardell Brydon, Jerry's RV Trailer Sales, New Minas, NS
- Jason Friesen, Voyager RV Centre, Lake Country, BC
- Murray Sullivan, SMP RV, Huston, BC

Congratulations to Roland and to all nominees, who have made outstanding contributions to the RV industry!



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