

The Future of Sports

The age-old question no matter what the sport is the common refrain - who is/was the best of all time? The GOAT?

It is a difficult question to answer for most sports as the playing fields have changed as has the equipment and even the nature of the game in many instances.

My three favourite sports are individual sports - racquetball, tennis and golf. In each of these there are players who have stood head and shoulders above the rest in their respective eras. But as for how we can attempt to qualify who the greatest of all time was, it is sheer speculation. It can be attempted based on numbers of victories in major events and overall - as example, Tiger Woods has won more tournaments than any other golfer in history, but Jack Nicklaus won more major championships. My choice as GOAT in golf is overwhelmingly my favourite player, Tiger, as he has done things which no other man has come close to - and in an era where the competition was much stiffer. In tennis, the last 20 years have been dominated by three of the most formidable players in the history of the game. They stand above every other name for major wins. As GOAT for tennis my choice is my favourite player, Novak Djokovic, as I see him not only as the most accomplished player in the history of the game, but also as a great role model for young players to follow.

As for the future of sports, God has given me a great vision for this. It is of all the greats from history, playing on the greatest venues, with all the latest equipment and implements - for fun and competition and with nothing to gain but their pride. No prize money for any event as there will be no currency in the world. No sponsors or necessity for support. The LIV Golf Tour is a great example of this. Each team wears their team colours and logo on all their outfits, bag etc. No sponsors logos. Fresh and clean! And along with all the greats from all time, there will be a steady stream of new talent to challenge the old guard.

One final note about this. My uncle, Doug Harvey, was one of the greatest hockey players in history, arguably the greatest. To add to this he was a professional baseball, football and lacrosse player, being among the top players on each of these teams and taking each to their respective championships. God has told me that Doug was the greatest athlete in history! I can't wait to watch him compete in all his sports - I was too young to appreciate him in his heyday!