

Pioneer First Professional Appearance

DATE	NAME	TEAM NAME OR BOXING OPPONENT
08/11/1882	Ren Wylie	Pittsburgh Alleghenys (nka Pittsburgh Pirates), MLB, A Assoc.
04/20/1887	James Toy	Cleveland Blues, MLB, A Assoc.
06/08/1895	Thomas McCreery	Louisville Colonels, MLB, NL
08/01/1902	Alex Pearson	St. Louis Cardinals, MLB, NL
07/05/1905	Christian Lindsay	Detroit Tigers, MLB, AL
08/10/1905	Pop Rising	Boston Americans (nka Boston Red Sox), MLB, AL
09/22/1907	Rube Dessau	Boston Doves (nka Atlanta Braves), MLB, NL
05/08/1908	Eugene Peluso	Ed Mittner, Won by TKO
09/18/1911	Casey Hageman	Boston Red Sox, MLB, AL
05/09/1912	Howard Shanks	Washington Senators (nka Minnesota Twins), MLB, AL
02/01/1915	Charlie Dunn	Kid Lease, Won by Newspaper Decision
09/10/1915	Ted Reed	Newark Peppers, MLB, Federal League
1915	J Huber Wagner	Canton Bulldogs, NFL, Ohio League
10/01/1917	Frank Susnell	Joe Starr, Won by Newspaper Decision
09/11/1919	Joe Schepner	St. Louis Browns (nka Baltimore Orioles), MLB, AL
1920	Art Haley	Canton Bulldogs, APFA (nka NFL)
1920	Max Hicks	Hammond Pros, APFA (nka NFL)
1920	Tiny Thornhill	Buffalo All-Americans, APFA (nka NFL)
1922	Alvin "Bo" McMillin	Milwaukee Badges, NFL
1925	Robert Zielinski	Professional Boxer
1927	Cal Hubbard	New York Giants, NFL
10/22/1928	Herman Folins	Johnny Gaito, Won on Points
07/25/1929	Ed Yarosz	Jimmy Birch, Won by TKO
06/13/1929	Teddy Yarosz	Jackie King, Won on Points
1929	Al Maglisceau	Frankford Yellow Jackets, NFL
1930	Forrest Douds	Portsmouth Spartans (nka Detroit Lions), NFL
1930	Mack Flenniken	Chicago Cardinals (nka Arizona Cardinals), NFL
1930	Ernie Meyer	Portsmouth Spartans (nka Detroit Lions), NFL
06/30/1931	Alex Scassa Sr	Jimmy Hicks, Draw
10/18/1931	Dave Cullen	Cleveland Indians, NFL
1932	John Karcis	Brooklyn Dodgers, NFL
1933	Sam Cooper	Pittsburgh Pirates (nka Pittsburgh Steelers), NFL

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1933	Red Davis	Portsmouth Spartans (nka Detroit Lions), NFL
1933	Frank Hood	Pittsburgh Pirates (nka Pittsburgh Steelers), NFL
04/09/1934	Joe Tonti	Defeated Cliff White
09/16/1934	Frank Walton	Boston Redskins (nka Washington Football Team), NFL
07/24/1935	Hugh Mulcahy	Philadelphia Phillies, MLB, NL
1935	Mike Sebastian	Philadelphia Eagles, NFL
09/27/1936	Conway Abee	New York Yankees Football, AFL (nka NFL)
1937	Herb Bonn	Pittsburgh Pirates, NBL (nka NBA)
1937	Hyman Ginsburg	Pittsburgh Pirates, NBL (nka NBA)
1937	Jack Stirling	Warren Penns, NBL (nka NBA)
09/16/1937	Jerry Dennerlein	New York Giants, NFL
04/19/1938	Joe Beggs	New York Yankees, MLB, AL
1938	Bill Laughlin	Cleveland White Horses, NBL (nka NBA)
07/24/1939	Ernie Pelaia	Lou Gendel, Lost by TKO
1939	Ray Carnelly	Brooklyn Dodgers, NFL
1939	Ted Grebb	Pittsburgh Pirates (nka Pittsburgh Steelers), NFL
06/27/1940	Tommy Yarosz	Joe Pohasky, Won on Points
04/15/1941	Pete Suder	Philadelphia Athletics (nka Oakland Athletics), MLB, AL
1942	John Petchel	Cleveland Rams (nka L A Rams), NFL
1943	Frank Hribar II	Washington Redskins (nka Washington Football Team), NFL
1945	Rip DePascal	Pittsburgh Steelers, NFL
1945	Henry DePaul	Pittsburgh Steelers, NFL
1945	Press Maravich	Youngstown Bears, NBL

Table lists the first professional game for each Pioneer in the Beaver County Sports Hall of Fame. The Pioneers are athletes with a Beaver County connection who played professionally in or before 1945, the year that World War II ended and who thus represent the "pioneers" of Beaver County Sports. There are currently 55 Pioneers: 35 past Inductees, and 20 new Inductees from the Class of 2022.

The Pioneer category was created, researched, and compiled by Larry Zigerell, President Beaver County Sports Hall of Fame.

