

Alumni Stories: John Corry '89

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Alumni Stories is a platform to honour our fellow alumni who are passionate in their roles and are creating changes in our field. If you know a Sutherland-Chan graduate who is making an impact on the massage therapy profession please contact us at arc@sutherland-chan.com. We love to hear what our grads are up to and showcase their success!

John Corry entered the massage profession almost thirty years ago. When he first began studies towards his new career path, there were only four schools in Ontario that offered a massage program. For John, the choice to go to Sutherland-Chan was an easy one. He was impressed with the success

of S-C's graduates at the registration exams and with the school's reputation as the top school for massage education. Throughout the years, despite the increased number of massage schools, S-C's reputation for success has remained steady. John lovingly calls the school, "the Harvard for massage therapy training in Ontario."

Throughout his years in the profession, John has seen massage therapy morph and grow. It used to be primarily known for its presence in service or spa environments and as a profession with few opportunities for men. Seeing the potential beyond these limitations, John has been a part of a movement to get the respect and recognition massage therapy deserves within healthcare. He has played a huge role in helping to educate about the benefits of massage through speaking at conferences and international fitness symposiums and writing in national magazines.

In 1996 John's practice began to shift because he was observing the benefits of treating the muscles of the jaw. He found he had great results with headaches, reduced ability to open/close the mouth, difficulty or discomfort with chewing, clicking, popping or grating noises, tinnitus, earaches, and neck, shoulder and facial pain. As he began working with more TMJ cases over the years, John realized how under treated the jaw is in the typical massage practice. Seeing the need to spread his knowledge to others, he created a course called *TMJ Mastery*.

John loves to connect and share his skills with colleagues around the world. This passion for teaching and a sense of community within the profession started years ago, long before social media made it as easy as it has in recent years. John travels all over Canada to share his course with RMTs, offering them a working set of ideas and skills to bring new treatment approaches into their practice.



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John is a committed lifelong learner. He has made it his top priority to keep his knowledge current. He promises to never settle into being "an old dog, with old tricks." When he isn't in the classroom or treatment room, you will find John reading more about fascial pain, poring over dental textbooks, or writing for his LinkedIn group along with con-ed provider and mentor Doug Alexander '84.

Thank you, John, for your part in advancing the massage profession and being one of our graduates we love to brag about!

For more information on the *TMJ Mastery* course John has created and his upcoming con-ed course dates, visit his website at: www.tmjmastery.com/

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January 2018

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