



Selection Criteria for the Sporting Hall of Fame and Local Legends

1. Sporting Hall of Fame

1.1 Preamble

Nominees to the Sporting Hall of Fame (SHOF) will have reached the highest level in their chosen sport.

It is expected that those athletes will have contributed to the development of their chosen sport within the city and will have promoted the City of Wagga Wagga as part of their sporting and/or representative commitments.

1.2 Selection Criteria

To be eligible for selection into the SHOF, the following criteria must be met:

- a) the nominee must have represented Australia or equivalent in a team or as an individual at a Junior or Senior level
- b) selection of a nominee does not include persons who have represented their sport through school sports activities
- c) the selected athlete must have been born in the Wagga Wagga Local Government Area, or have participated in the sport in Wagga for at least 5 years
- d) it is essential that nominations for athletes be supported by their local sporting association (where there is a local sporting body/association), or in the absence of such a local association, by the state or national association
- e) nominees shall be considered when:
 - i) They have retired/completed their highest level of competition
 - ii) the performance of a particularly outstanding athletic achievement that warrants special recognition (E.g. winner of an Olympic or Commonwealth medal)

- f) The decision of the panel shall be final. No appeal can be made against those decisions or shall any correspondence be entered into
- g) In considering nominees, such as those from an earlier era, who had limited opportunity to compete at an elite level, the Wagga SHOF Panel shall give due weight to the experts opinions of:
 - i) the nominee's sporting peers (e.g. fellow competitors from the same earlier era)
 - ii) governing bodies/associations and/or professional sporting bodies providing those opinions have been recorded (i.e. letters, tapes, video, newspapers etc.) and authenticated
- h) The SHOF Panel will consider in addition to a nominee's individual achievements, that person's integrity, sportsmanship and character

2. Local Legends

2.1 Preamble

Nominations for this category will be accepted from local sporting associations.

The selection panel will take into account the following criteria which will be considered in conjunction with the nominee's contribution and involvement within his or her chosen sport.

2.2 Selection Criteria

To be eligible for selection as a Local Legend, the following criteria must be met:

- a) long and meritorious service to their sport along with significant achievement in their sport. Achievement arising from personal effort or initiative is essential. Long term service is not sufficient in itself, and/or
- b) represented their sport as an administrator, coach, manager or other support role to an Australian Junior or Open side, and/or
- c) recognised as an integral part of the development of the sport within the city
- d) a select number of candidates will be admitted to the Local Legends category on a triennial basis under the following categories:
 - player
 - coach
 - administrator
- e) The SHOF Panel will consider in addition to a nominee's individual achievements, that person's integrity, sportsmanship and character