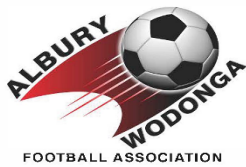


# **AWFA Hall of Fame Policy**



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The Albury Wodonga Football Association (AWFA) may induct a person into the AWFA Hall of Fame.

### **1. Principle**

The AWFA Hall of Fame will recognise extraordinary performance over a career by participants (including but not limited to players, administrators, club support staff, referees and media representatives) who have made a significant contribution to the game in the Albury-Wodonga region (and surrounds).

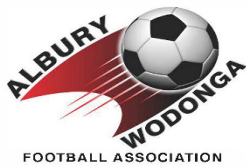
### **2. Selection Committee**

- a. The Selection Committee shall be comprised of no less than 5 people.
- b. A Chair will be chosen by the AWFA EC for his or her ability to establish appropriate protocols for the work of the Committee to ensure the integrity of the process.
- c. Other Members selected by the Board shall have the required knowledge, experience, competence and integrity to be part of an independent investigation process.
- d. A minimum of 2 Members shall be independent and have no current or past affiliation with any club or AWSRA. Affiliation means player, coach, referee, member or volunteer.
- e. The AWFA EC shall appoint or replace any members of the Selection Committee as it sees fit. The Committee will be able to make recommendations to the EC if a replacement member is required.
- f. One member of the Selection Committee is to be appointed as Secretary and take minutes which are to be tabled to the EC within a fortnight of an official meeting. The AWFA Secretary or Administrator may be invited to perform these secretarial functions, but will not be a contributing member of the Selection Panel.
- g. The AWFA EC shall be the only body able to change the AWFA Hall of Fame structure or selection criteria, although the Selection Committee may from time to time table submissions to the EC.
- h. It will be incumbent on a Committee Member to declare that he or she has any association with a nominee which may result in the appearance of bias or conflict of interest in the selection process. Where the Committee confirms that such an association exists, the Member shall be ineligible to participate in any discussion or voting on that nominee.
- i. The quorum required for Meetings of the Committee shall be no fewer than three Members present either in person or by teleconference or videoconference.

### **3. Criteria for Hall of Fame**

The following criteria may be used to determine the suitability of a person for nomination for induction into the AWFA Hall of Fame. While it is not necessary for all the criteria to be satisfied, some at least should be considered.

- a. There will be one category of membership open to players, officials, administrators and other contributors to the game.
- b. The Selection Committee will take into account prevailing opportunities appropriate to the period in which the contribution of a candidate is being considered and be aware of discrimination and equity considerations of the time.
- c. To be eligible, the nominee must have exhibited a standard of behaviour that is fair, ethical and above reproach in relation to the rules and regulations of football and the associations expectations and values.
- d. It is not necessary for a nominee to be retired from participation in the game.
- e. There shall be no special order of precedence given to Hall of Fame inductees
- f. The criteria for membership will include, but may not be limited to, the following:
  - i. The committee shall consider a candidate's outstanding service and overall contribution to AWFA in determining a candidate's eligibility for induction into the Hall of Fame.
  - ii. The committee may consider a candidate's individual record, ability, integrity, sportsmanship and character.
  - iii. The number of games played, coached or umpired or the years of service provided shall only be a consideration and shall not be determinative in assessing a candidate's eligibility.
  - iv. Exceptional performance sustained over a significant period at the highest levels of the game in the Albury-Wodonga region or its organisation over their career.
  - v. Nominees shall be considered on their contribution to AWFA and the game of football through being involved in the sport.
  - vi. Quality of performance
  - vii. Club, League, State and National representation (where appropriate)
  - viii. Length of service at the highest levels
  - ix. Contributions outside the area for which the person is primarily concerned
- g. For a candidate to be inducted into the AWFA Hall of Fame they must receive at least 80% of the votes from eligible Selection Committee members in favour.
- h. Candidates shall be inducted in the AWFA Hall of Fame on the basis of the selection criteria and such inductees as determined by the Selection Committee shall be ratified by the AWFA EC prior to being announced. The EC shall only deny a selection if they are aware of facts not available to the Selection Committee.
- i. The Selection Panel will keep all information provided and any notes, minutes or discussions confidential.
- j. Any correspondence to or from the Selection Committee will be via the AWFA Secretary.



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The Selection Committee recognises that selection for the AWFA Hall of Fame is a matter of judgment and will not use a list of items to be ticked off or a numerical scale to compare performances. It is also aware that comparisons over the range of activities associated with the game are extremely difficult but insists that sustained exceptional performance is critical to selection for the AWFA Hall of Fame.

The grounds for selection of each candidate shall be recorded by the AWFA EC and be available as a matter of record to future meetings of the Selection Committee. Those grounds shall form the basis of the citation accompanying the presentation of the award of Membership of the AWFA Hall of Fame.

### **5. Nominations**

Any person may nominate a candidate for the AWFA Hall of Fame by submitting a nomination form to the AWFA Secretary.

Nominations shall then be placed on the agenda for the next scheduled Selection Committee Meeting for consideration.

Nominations shall be received at least 3 months prior to an Awards Ceremony to be considered for induction at that ceremony.

### **6. Awards Ceremony**

The first Awards Ceremony will be at the AWFA 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2023. At this Ceremony there will be no set maximum number of inductees.

After the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner:

- a) Any new inductees into the AWFA Hall of Fame shall be announced at the Annual AWFA Senior Presentation Night.
- b) There shall be a maximum of five inductees to the Hall of Fame in each year. There is no minimum requirement
- c) Any other major event deemed suitable by the AWFA EC shall be deemed an Awards Ceremony by giving at least 4 months notice to the AWFA Management Committee.

### **7. Entitlements**

As an AWFA Hall of Fame Member the recipient shall be entitled to Season Pass to all AWFA games and any other items, events or documents that the AWFA EC deems appropriate.