



HALL OF FAME POLICY

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Hall of Fame Policy

1. Area of Responsibility

Honours Committee

2. Date last updated

July 2019

3. Policy Number

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4. Purpose

The Basketball NSW Hall of Fame provides the opportunity to recognise & acknowledge those who have given exceptional service to our great game of basketball within NSW.

From 2011 every two-years, Basketball NSW and the Hall of Fame Honours Committee identify Hall of Fame recipients, being those who have given above and beyond as a player, coach, technical official or contributor within our State, nationally or internationally.

Every inductee into the Basketball NSW Hall of Fame is a true servant to the game. Their stories are inspiring to those who are not only part of our game today, but for our future basketball generations to come. Their stories and contributions showcase our sport, encouraging our members to strive to reach their own goals; give benchmarks to break and have wonderful milestones to admire and be remembered by.

Additionally at each Hall of Fame ceremony, previous inductees are considered by the Basketball NSW Board and Hall of Fame Honours Committee to be elevated to the status of 'Legend' – the highest honour in basketball. A status that ensures that their contribution and achievements will never be forgotten and their legacy will always be celebrated.

5. Definitions and Interpretations for the policy

In this policy, the words and phrases below have meanings ascribed to them.

- a) **BNSWHOF** means the Basketball NSW Hall of Fame
- b) **Closing Date** is the date for the close of nominations for election to induction to the Basketball NSW Hall of Fame.
- c) **Honours Committee** means the Committee formed by Basketball NSW for the purpose of considering nominations and making recommendations to the Basketball NSW Board for induction to the Basketball NSW Hall of Fame.
- d) **Screening Committee** means a sub-committee of the Honours Committee, their purpose is to assess the eligibility of nominations received and to forward a report to the honours committee for consideration.
- e) **Year** means the year that the Hall of Fame ceremony is conducted. The Hall of Fame ceremony is conducted every two (2) years.
- f) **BA** means Basketball Australia.

- g) **NBL** means the National Basketball League, the division 1 senior men's competition played in Australia.
- h) **WNBL** means the National Basketball League, the division 1 senior women's competition played in Australia.
- i) **NBA** means the National Basketball Association, the professional men's basketball league played in North America.
- j) **WNBA** means the Women's National Basketball Association, the professional women's basketball league played in North America.
- k) **FIBA** means the International Basketball Federation, which governs the sport of basketball.
- l) **Olympic Games** means the Olympic Basketball Tournament.
- m) **Paralympic Games** means the Paralympic Basketball Tournament.
- n) **World Championships/World Cup** means the basketball tournaments conducted by FIBA.
- o) **Technical Official** means either a referee, umpire, scoretable official and or statistician.

6. Structure of the Basketball NSW Hall Of Fame

6.1. Inductees to the Basketball NSW Hall of Fame will be in four categories;

- a) Player
- b) Coach
- c) Technical Official
- d) Contributor

The awards will reflect an outstanding contribution to NSW Basketball in one of the above four (4) categories.

A maximum of four (4) inductees per year per category is allowed.

In exceptional circumstances the Board of Basketball NSW may approve more than four (4) inductees in a category in the same year.

Awards do not have to be made in each category each year.

6.2. Legend Award

The Legend Award is made to any player, coach, technical official or contributor, who in the opinion of the Honours Committee and Basketball NSW Board has achieved 'Legend' status in the sport of basketball in NSW.

One Legend can be inducted each Hall of Fame year. In exceptional circumstances the Board of Basketball NSW may approve more than one (1) Legend Award in a year.

6.3. Achievement Awards

Achievement Awards are for those who have performed outstandingly in a particular period. These awards will continue to be awarded and are not in conflict with the Hall of Fame but they are not to be recognised as part of the Hall of Fame.

The Basketball NSW Hall of Fame inductions are for persons who have achieved at a higher or longer level than these Achievement Awards.

6.4. Other.

The Board of Basketball NSW in the future approve other divisions and awards as appropriate.

7. Operation

- 7.1. BNSW will determine the selection criteria and guidelines for all awards. The key criterion will be an outstanding contribution to the relevant area of basketball.
- 7.2. The BNSW Board or CEO will appoint a BNSWHOF Screening Committee of three (3) persons who will assess the eligibility of nominations for awards and recommend to the Honours Committee a final list of candidates who are eligible for consideration for induction to the Hall of Fame.
- 7.3. The BNSW Board will appoint a BNSWHOF Honours Committee of five (5) persons who will review the eligibility of candidates for induction to the BNSWHOF, assess the nominations, and recommend to the BNSW Board for approval those persons the Committee considers should be inducted into the BNSWHOF.
- 7.4. The Honours Committee members will stand for five (5) years unless otherwise notified or agreed.
- 7.5. The Board of BNSW will make the final approval for induction into the BNSWHOF.

8. The Honours Committee

- 8.1. The Honours Committee is established to:
 - a) Consider all nominations for induction into the BNSWHOF.
 - b) Vote on nominations for induction into the BNSWHOF. A majority of 4 out of 5 votes must be attained for a nomination to be forwarded to the Board of BNSW for approval and induction to the BNSWHOF.
 - c) Monitor the appropriateness of the selection criteria set out in the policy for inductees and make recommendations for change to the Board of BNSW.
- 8.2. The Honours Committee shall at all times act in accordance with and subject to the terms of this Policy, unless expressly authorised otherwise by the Board of BNSW.

9. Membership of the Honours Committee

- 9.1. The Honours Committee will have five (5) members appointed by the Board of BNSW
- 9.2. The Chair of the Honours Committee shall be appointed by the Board of BNSW. In the absence of the Chair of the Honours Committee, and where it is impractical for the Board of BNSW to appoint a substitute Honours Committee Chair the Honours Committee may appoint an Acting Chair from among its members.
- 9.3. Honours Committee members should have a general knowledge of the history and traditions of basketball within NSW and Australian basketball and be made up of past players, coaches, referees, administrators and media.
- 9.4. Previous BNSWHOF Inductees may serve on the Honours Committee.

10. Term of the Honours Committee

- 10.1. An Honours Committee member shall hold office for a period of three (3) years or until the appointment of a successor, whichever is sooner.
- 10.2. An Honours Committee member may retire after expressing this wish in writing to the Board of BNSW three months prior to the intended retirement. This member must continue their responsibilities to the Honours Committee until a successor is appointed.
- 10.3. An Honours Committee member may be re-appointed but may not serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. An Honours Committee member who has served two (2) consecutive terms may be re-appointed after a minimum of a two-year absence from the Honours Committee.
- 10.4. An Honours Committee member may not be a member of the Screening Committee.

11. Purpose of the Screening Committee

The Screening Committee is established to:

- a) Call for nominations for induction to the BNSWHOF and select from nominations suitable persons for induction in accordance with the guidelines set out in this policy.
- b) Refer eligible persons to Honours Committee for voting.
- c) Monitor the appropriateness of the selection criteria set out in this policy for inductees.
- d) Recommend procedures for induction, including the manner and type of recognition to be accorded inductees.
- e) A candidate for induction must receive an approval vote of two of the 3 members of the committee for that nomination to be forwarded to the Honours Committee.

12. Membership of the Screening Committee

- 12.1. The Screening Committee members will include:
 - a) The CEO of BNSW or his/her nominee.
 - b) One person from the Staff of BNSW.
 - c) One person (non-BNSW staff member) nominated by the CEO of Basketball NSW.
- 12.2. The Board of BNSW must approve all positions on the Screening Committee.
- 12.3. In the absence of the chairperson the committee can elect an Acting Chair.

13. BNSWHOF Nomination

The nomination process will be as follows:

- a) The “calling” for nominations from the public and members of basketball.
- b) An Opening Date to receive nominations.
- c) A Closing Date for receiving nominations.
- d) Screening Committee Meeting Schedule.
- e) Eligible candidates profile and nomination sent to Honours Committee.
- f) Honours Committee Meeting.
- g) Honours Committee recommendations sent to the Board of BNSW for approval or non-approval.
- h) Inductees Approved by the Board of BNSW.
- i) Notification to inductees for their acceptance and approval.
- j) Induction to BNSWHOF.

14. Further guidelines for induction to the Basketball NSW Hall of Fame

14.1. Eligibility - General

In determining to grant a Basketball NSW Hall of Fame nomination, the following **guidelines** shall apply:

- a) The primary requirement is high-level achievement from personal effort or initiative, in a field of endeavour that contributes to the performances of players, officials, administrators and/or to the development and status of the sport of basketball in NSW.
- b) A person nominated may have made a major contribution at the international level, national league, or State or Association, or to basketball generally whilst primarily being a resident in NSW.
- c) Fields of endeavour which would be considered suitable are :
 - i. Administration, coaching, referees, education, media, sports science, sports medicine, official etc.
 - ii. A person who, in the opinion of the Screening Committee, has given outstanding service to NSW and Australian Basketball at the international/national level over an extended period. (Generally over 10 years).
 - iii. Any person who, in the opinion of the Committee, has brought honour and achievement to NSW and/or Australian basketball at the International or national level.
 - iv. A Basketball NSW Hall of Fame Legend nomination shall be restricted to those whose association with NSW basketball has reached “legend” status and whose service to basketball and BNSW is worthy of the highest honour.
 - v. A person with outstanding attributes, not otherwise listed herein but who, in the opinion of the Committee, qualify Basketball NSW Hall of Fame nomination.

Note 1: Long term service or involvement with basketball by a candidate without having satisfied the primary requirements of the nomination criteria/guidelines, or having demonstrated outstanding achievement arising from personal initiative or innovation, is not sufficient justification for selection. The Hall of Fame is not recognition for service in its own right, or for limited achievements, but for outstanding achievement.

14.2. Player Eligibility Guidelines

- a) Nominee will only be considered after a two (2) year waiting period following retirement from elite competition.
- b) Have competed for Australia at the international level in Official FIBA games (World Championships/World Cups, Olympic Games or Paralympic Games), or a minimum of 100 games in the NBL/WNBL, or the NBA/WNBA level.

And

- c) Have made significant achievement and outstanding contribution as a player at the NSW State level.

And

- d) Have achieved outstanding results or performances in NSW basketball, Australian basketball, or League basketball in a manner or standard that deserves special recognition.

14.3. Coach Eligibility Guidelines

- a) Have coached Australia in Official FIBA games (World Championships/World Cups, Olympic Games or Paralympic Games).

Or

- b) Coached in the NBL/WNBL, Europe, NBA/WNBA or US College or any internationally recognised standard league.

Or

- c) Coached at Junior World Championships/World Cup or other recognized international tournaments.

And

- d) Made an outstanding contribution or achievement to Basketball NSW High-Performance Programs or NSW State Teams.

14.4. Technical Official Eligibility Guidelines

- a) Have represented Australia in Official FIBA games (World Championships/World Cups, Olympic Games or Paralympic Games).

Or

- b) Have represented Australia as a technical official at Junior World Championships/World Cup or other international tournaments.

And

- c) Have made significant and outstanding achievements and contributions to officiating in the NBL/WNBL or Basketball NSW State senior level competitions.

14.5. Contributor Eligibility Guidelines

- a) Contributor category is open to administrators, officials, educators, owners, media and any person in the capacity who has made an outstanding contribution to Basketball NSW in any of the points listed below.
 - The international basketball community, and/or
 - International teams, and/or
 - NBL/WNBL, and/or
 - Basketball NSW, and/or
 - Outstanding service to the development of an affiliated local basketball association(s).

15. Ratification and Publication

The CEO of BNSW will formalise all votes following the return of the voting forms from the Honours Committee and will present all recommendations for induction into the Basketball NSW Hall of Fame to the Board of BNSW at the next Board Meeting.

Those inductees confirmed by the Board of BNSW will be invited for induction.

16. Confidentiality

No member of the Board of BNSW, the Screening Committee, the Honours Committee, or BNSW staff shall divulge or disclose the results or other particulars of the selection process at any time.

17. Amendments

The Board of BNSW reserves the right to revoke, alter or amend this policy at any time. The Honours Committee and Screening Committee may make recommendations to the Board of BNSW for amendments to this policy.