



USAR HALL OF FAME SENIOR'S COMMITTEE

The Hall of Fame (HOF) Senior's Committee was established to be consistent with other sports (Baseball, Football, etc.) that use both a regular voting group and a Senior's Committee as part of their Hall of Fame selection process. The Senior's Committee is comprised of a Chairperson and five (5) members who are Hall of Fame members and considered to be knowledgeable about the history of our sport.

Some nominees may not make the HOF ballot because they do not meet our minimum criteria, while others might make the ballot but just don't receive enough votes to get in. However, their name may keep coming up again and again, nominated by different people, because they have been a "favorite" of the racquetball community over the years and they demonstrated played prowess or significant contributions to the sport.

When this happens, the Hall of Fame Committee will submit their name(s) to the HOF Senior's Committee for consideration to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.

Members of the Senior's Committee have been involved in our sport for a very long time, have been very active in racquetball and they possess a wealth of information and experience that members of the regular voting group may not possess. They may know relevant facts that were not included in the resume or know about certain "behind the scenes" accomplishments that positively influenced racquetball that were not visible to the general public. In some cases, the Seniors Committee may believe that the "general all around contribution" by the nominee to the sport of racquetball was Hall of Fame-worthy, while our criteria centers on being either a "Professional" an "Amateur" or a "Contributor".

We believe that the five (5) members of the HOF Senior's Committee have a vested interest in preserving the high standards and integrity of the Hall of Fame since they are already members. If this Committee agrees that a nominee deserves to be inducted into the Hall of Fame, then it must be for the betterment of the Hall of Fame and the sport in general.



SOME BASIC FACTS

- The Senior's Committee is comprised of a Chairperson and five (5) members.
- The Chairperson of the Senior's Committee is the Executive Director of USA Racquetball (currently Dr. Jim Hiser).
- The current (July 2010) Committee members are: Jerry Hilecher, Dr. Bud Muehlheisen, Caryn Russell (McKinney), Randy Stafford and Dr. Shannon Wright.
- The Committee cannot elect more than one (1) person each year to the Hall of Fame. (They are not required to elect anyone if they so choose).
- If four (4) or more of the Committee members vote for someone that person is inducted.
- The Chairperson does not vote.
- By design, the Senior's Committee is not provided any criteria to select someone to the Hall of Fame.
- The HOF Committee will submit name(s) to the Senior's Committee Chairperson each year.
- All names for consideration by the Senior's Committee MUST come from the Hall of Fame Committee. The Senior's Committee may not entertain individuals from other sources or self-nominate.
- The Chairperson will submit names, resumes, etc. to the Senior's Committee each year no later than November 1st.
- After the Committee has received the information, the Chairperson will convene a conference call to discuss the information.



- There must be at least four (4) voting members of the Senior's Committee on the conference call or the conference call will be cancelled and another call will be rescheduled.
- Following the conference call, the five (5) members must email their yes or no vote(s) to the Chairperson. (There are no phone votes and proxies).
- If a nominee receives 80% of the votes (4 voters) or more, the name will be brought to the Board of Directors, by the Hall of Fame Committee, for final approval by the USA Racquetball Board of Directors.
- The Chairperson of the Senior's Committee will document, in writing, the voting and the results, which will be maintained in the archives of USA Racquetball.
- Information about candidates being reviewed by the Senior's Committee is considered confidential and not to be communicated outside of the Senior's Committee.
- If a person gets elected, it is the responsibility of the Hall of Fame Chairperson to contact the individual, by phone, email, letter, etc. and make them aware of the honor.
- Upon completion, the HOF Chairman will inform the Hall of Fame Committee, the Senior's Committee Chairperson, and the USA Racquetball President, and at that point the information will be made public.
- The President of the USA Racquetball will send a congratulatory letter out to all of the new Hall of Fame members.