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USA Revolution Hall of Fame Guidelines

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## **Purpose of the Hall of Fame**

The USA Revolution Hall of Fame recognizes and honors those members of US Australian Rules Football National team who, by virtue of their contributions, are of such significant stature that they are considered to be among the most highly regarded contributors to the promotion and development of the program. The contributions of those inducted may come from a player, coach, umpire, administrator, trainer, staff, and/or media backgrounds and must be of lasting value.

The Hall of Fame is a vehicle to inform the public of the achievements of those individuals and to provide recognition of the programs' most outstanding contributors. It is also an important means of preserving the history of the club.

## Selection Criteria for Induction into the Australian Football Hall of Fame

For a player to be eligible, they must have participated in an officially sanctioned senior Revolution game (International Cup, Parallel Cup, Atlantic Alliance Cup 2001, Balmain Tigers 2004, Australian All-Star 2006). Future Revolution trips will be added to this list (ie Europe Summer 2018) as they occur. The player must have played their last game no less than 5 years prior to nominations and a minimum of 10 games.

The committee may consider a candidate's individual record, games played, ability, integrity, sportsmanship and character. Candidates may be judged on the basis of their overall contribution to the program as opposed to one specific aspect.

Non-players may be nominated to the Hall of Fame. The committee shall consider a candidate's outstanding service and overall contribution to the program in determining a candidate's eligibility.

Specifically, service should be to the USA Revolution team. Local teams have their own life memberships and halls of fame. Service focused locally at the club level should be recognized by that club, not at the national level.

There shall be no special order of precedence given to Hall of Fame inductees.



## **Procedures**

- The Hall of Fame Committee will consist of three members. The members do not need to be Hall of Fame members, rather, should have a significant history with the program.
  - o The initial committee shall be Brad Rinklin, Matty Dainauski, and Jeff Purcell.
    - Should a committee member leave the committee, the 2 remaining committee members will use best judgement in replacing the 3<sup>rd</sup> member.
    - Should a committee member be nominated, they will excuse themselves from the committee. Said member will be replaced with a stand-in member per process above. Return to the committee shall be at the committee's discretion.
- The submission process (vehicle) shall be determined by the committee and must be made public
- Submissions due by May 31th prior to the International Cup
- The announcements shall occur on August 1st of International Cup years. August 1st marks the first Revolution game ever played (1999).
- The Hall of Fame Committee will review the submissions and recommend at most:
  - o Inaugural induction class: up to 6
  - o Future classes: up to 4
- The Hall of Fame committee will vote on submissions as following:
  - Votes can be in person or by email from committee members
  - Voting must be unanimous
- The Committee maintains the right and discretion to amend the procedures as needed using reasonable judgement.

Membership of the Hall of Fame is an honor. Members have no voting or nomination rights, nor any special USAFL benefits such as waiving of any registration fees etc.

