



## ***Ohio Racquetball Hall of Fame***

The Ohio Racquetball Hall of Fame has been reorganized under the direction of Jerry Davis. His ambitious efforts have resulted in an extremely fair and professional guideline for the criteria and election process to the O.R.A. Hall of Fame. On these pages you will find only some basic details of the objectives, criteria, nomination, and election procedures instituted in 1989.

### **HALL OF FAME PROCEDURES**

1. **OBJECTIVES:** The objective of the Ohio Racquetball Hall of Fame is to honor those men and women who have made outstanding contributions to the development and growth of amateur racquetball in Ohio and to assist in the research necessary to develop and maintain a history of Ohio Racquetball.
2. **CRITERIA:**
  - a. Player.
    1. Accomplishments must have occurred during amateur play.
    2. Minimum age for induction into Hall of Fame is 35 years of age prior to date of induction at ORA Singles Championships.
    3. The nominee must have an established playing record of suitable recognition extended over no less than 10 years if still playing at the State, Regional, or National level and 5 years if the player has not competed in a State, Regional, or National event for 5 years or more.
    4. The criteria for selection as a player includes the following:
      - a. Playing ability and record - State, Regional, and National Championships, International play, U.S. Team selection, etc.
      - b. Teaching, coaching, and innovations.
      - c. Promotion of the game.
      - d. Administration, representation, or working for the goal the game, etc.
  - b. Contributor.
    1. Persons selected for nomination from this category must have made an outstanding contribution to racquetball in any area other than playing.

2. Minimum age for induction into Hall of Fame is 35 years of age prior to date of induction at ORA Singles Championships.
3. The nominee must have established record of contribution at the State level extended over no less than 10 years or the combined State, Regional, National level for 10 years if still actively involved and no less than 5 years if the nominee has not been actively involved for 5 years or more.
4. The areas of endeavor that qualify include but are not limited to the following: administration, program development, tournament development, sponsor development, overall development of the sport, rules, officiating, publicity, public relations, promotion of the game, and increased general awareness, etc.

**3. NOMINATION PROCEDURE:**

- a. Any member of the ORA or interested party has the opportunity to nominate an individual, including themselves, for consideration as a candidate for the Hall of Fame. The nominations shall be submitted on the appropriate forms which are available from the ORA Office and shall include appropriate documentation such as a resume, detailed information on the nominee's career and background, newspaper and magazine articles, testimonials, etc.

**4. ELECTION PROCEDURE:**

- a. Each member of the selection committee shall receive the credentials of each nominee and a ballot and shall be permitted to vote up to a maximum of 4 individuals in the Player Category and 2 individuals in the Contributor Category. The vote shall be via a closed ballot.
- b. In the Player Category, no more than 3 individuals can be elected in any one year. In the Contributor Category no more than one individual can be elected in any one year.
- c. Individuals selected on 2/3 of the ballots cast shall be elected into the Hall of Fame and inducted at the next ORA Singles Championships. If more than 3 people in the Player Category or more than one person in the Contributor Category receive more than 2/3 of the votes cast, the top 3 vote getters in the Player Category and the top one vote getter in the Contributor Category shall be elected into the Hall of Fame.