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Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame

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Summary

Nominations are now being called for past and present surf lifesaving members to be recognised in the Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame. Successful nominees will be inducted into the Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame at the 2009 SLSA Awards of Excellence.

Nominations for the 2009 Induction into the Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame close at SLSA on Friday 26th September 2008 at 5pm EST.

Introduction

The Surf Life Saving Australia (SLSA) Hall of Fame is located in Surf Life Saving's Headquarters (known as Surf House) at Bondi. An interpretive area has been established in the Headquarters that is dedicated to preserving surf lifesaving's special place in Australian history and to honour surf lifesaving's rich and proud heritage. The Hall of Fame is co-located with the interpretive area.

The Hall of Fame will permanently display, commemorate and recognise members and teams who have achieved outstanding accomplishments and exceptional contributions to the development of surf lifesaving in Australia. These achievements are not restricted in relation to the area of their contribution but must have been inspirational in application to surf lifesaving activities.

Initial inductions into the Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame were conducted at the inaugural SLSA Awards of Excellence in March 2004.

Eligibility – SLSA Members

Only current or past members of SLSA are eligible for induction into the Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame. ***Note that nominations may be for eligible individual members or for teams of eligible members.***

Nominations not endorsed may only be re-submitted for consideration after a period of two (2) years. All nominees who were unsuccessful in the call for nominations in 2007/08 are eligible to be resubmitted this year. Clubs are reminded that a standard has been set for



inductees into the SLSA Hall of Fame. Nominations being resubmitted should be enhanced in order to meet this standard.

Application Conditions

1. Period Covered: From 1907 until 26th September 2008.
2. All endorsed nominations for the initial induction must be forwarded to SLSA by no later than 26th September 2008. Nominations must be grouped into decade intervals by category as follows:
 - (1) 1907-1910
 - (2) 1911-1920
 - (3) 1921-1930
 - (4) 1931-1940
 - (5) 1941-1950
 - (6) 1951-1960
 - (7) 1961-1970
 - (8) 1971-1980
 - (9) 1981-1990
 - (10) 1991-2000
 - (11) 2001 until 26th September 2008

Criteria and Hall of Fame Categories

Those recommending persons for this award shall do so in accordance with the award criteria detailed below. All nominations must be to a specific category.

The categories are:

- a. Surf lifesaving
- b. Surf lifesaving - Administration
- c. Surf lifesaving - Sport

Surf lifesaving

This category recognises those who have been involved in all facets of surf lifesaving operations. Examples are active patrolling, training and examination, rescue services and the general support activities involved in beach patrols, search and rescue, and surveillance.

Surf lifesaving - Administration

This category recognises those involved in the purely administrative aspects of surf lifesaving. Examples are club secretaries and treasurers. This category also includes surf sports officials.

Surf lifesaving - Sport

This category recognises those who have excelled in surf sports and/or the coaching and training associated with surf sports.

Criteria

The following criteria are to be addressed in each nomination:

- a. Nominations may only be for one category, however, evidence supporting the nomination covering activities relevant to the other categories should be provided and will be taken into consideration. It is important that the complete career of the nominee is put forward to permit a total assessment.



b. Nominees are to be in good standing with SLSA. Controversy should be avoided. Persons charged with using performance-enhancing drugs, for example, or who have been found guilty of criminal offences (whether connected with SLSA or not) should not be nominated

c. Nominations should draw names from a broad range of members or teams who have been, or are currently;

- Office holders and administrators
- Patrolling members
- Rescue Services groups
- Examiners
- Competitors
- Competitive Teams
- Competition Officials
- Coaches
- Advisors (eg; medical)

d. Nominations must clearly demonstrate that individuals or teams have:

- (1) Displayed exceptional service to surf lifesaving in the specific category
- (2) Achieved outstanding individual or team accomplishments which sets the individual or team apart from other surf lifesavers or teams
- (3) Displayed sustained excellence over a long period of time to the category for which they are nominated.

Number of Nominees

Nominations for the SLSA Hall of Fame will only be considered once each year and there is no limit to the number of nominees inducted into the Hall of Fame each year. Surf Life Saving Australia recognises the prestigious nature of this award and will consider applications appropriately.

Nomination Procedure and Administration

Nominations to the Hall of Fame may only be made by :

- a. Affiliated clubs
- b. Branches and state centres.
- c. Directors of Surf Life Saving Australia Limited

The nominations **MUST** be completed on the appropriate form ([Form 38/08](#)) and are to be endorsed by each higher level of SLSA as appropriate. All nominations are to be forwarded to SLSA from the appropriate State Centre except for those nominations from a Director of SLSA.

Nominations must be accompanied by a **photo** of sufficient quality for scanning and a **conclusive history** covering the service and outstanding or pioneering achievements to SLSA which address the criteria. **The accompanying history is restricted to two pages for each nominee.**



Assessment and Notification Procedure

Assessment will be by the President of SLSA and an appointed Advisory Group of eminent surf lifesavers. The Advisory Group will be appointed by the Australian Council as required. The President of SLSA will submit the nominations together with the recommendations from the Advisory Group to the Australian Council for decision. Only the President of SLSA or a person authorised by him, shall recommend to the Australian Council eligible persons and or teams to be recognised for this award.

Assessment will be against the criteria detailed above. The decision of the Australian Council will be final.

All successful nominees will be advised in writing of their endorsement by the Australian Council and induction arrangements into the Hall of Fame.

Timing and Presentation

Induction into the SLSA Hall of Fame takes place annually at an appropriate date, time and location to be determined by SLSA each year. In 2009, inductions will be made at the SLSA Awards of Excellence.

Timeline

25 th July 2008	Hall of Fame Circular Distributed
26 th September 2008	Hall of Fame nominations due to SLSA
October 2008	Hall of Fame advisory group to review nominations
26 th October 2008	Australian Council reviews Hall of Fame recommendations
November 2007	Successful Inductees notified

All nominations for the Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame must be completed on the appropriate nomination form ([Form 38/08](#))

Any enquiries about the Surf Life Saving Australia Hall of Fame should be directed to Chris Giles, National Development Manager, Surf Life Saving Australia on (02) 9300-4000.