

# ELECTION PROCEDURE

## PURPOSE

The NMPRA established the National Pylon Racing Hall of Fame as an institution devoted to recognizing and honoring noteworthy individuals for their outstanding contributions to Pylon Racing. The information below details the Hall of Fame selection process and criteria for evaluating candidates for the award.

## SELECTION PROCESS

Selecting Hall of Fame inductees happens in two phases:

1. Nomination of Candidates
2. Election of Winners

A Hall of Fame Committee will be vested with the responsibility of selecting and voting on Hall of Fame candidates each calendar year. Candidate names will be submitted via the NMPRA Hall of Fame nomination form, this form can be submitted by any active member of the NMPRA. In cases where members of the committee are not eligible to vote, the President and Treasurer of the NMPRA will serve as voting members for that cycle. The Hall of Fame Committee will consist of at least 3 active members and positions will be appointed by the NMPRA president.

## Hall of Fame Committee

1. Hall of Fame committee members will be charged with responsibility of selecting Hall of Fame winners.
2. Committee members will serve for life so long as they are in compliance with Items 6 and 7 below.
3. Additional appointments may be made to the Hall of Fame Committee as deemed necessary by the NMPRA President to maintain a sufficient number of committee members.
4. Committee members will be appointed on an individual basis, not as a panel.
5. The minimum of 3 committee members of the Hall of Fame Committee will also serve as Electors.
6. Electors must have participated in pylon racing for at least 15 years and must themselves merit respect and recognition for their accomplishments and/or knowledge in one or more aspects of pylon racing. Electors must be members of the NMPRA.
7. Electors failing to vote two consecutive years will automatically be considered incapacitated and their names dropped from the Panel. Written request will be required for reinstatement.

### **Nomination of Hall of Fame Candidates**

1. Beginning in January of the calendar year, NMPRA members will be urged to submit a nomination form. (This form is attached). This is the open nomination phase. This phase will last for 6 months starting on the first day of January in the year of the nomination.
2. After the 6 month open nomination phase, the Hall of Fame Committee will present names to the NMPRA president for consideration. The committee will not be limited to or bound by those suggestions. Neither NMPRA president nor Treasurer is an appointed member of the Hall of Fame Committee and, therefore, neither has voting rights, unless the current committee agrees to grant voting rights for that cycle.
3. Each year, on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the 8<sup>th</sup> month, the Hall of Fame Committee will, by majority vote, select the Hall of Fame inductee(s) as official member(s) of the NMPRA Hall of Fame.

Nominations will be guided by the Hall of Fame Criteria which is listed below:

## CANDIDATE CRITERIA

The NMPRA established the National Pylon Racing Hall of Fame to recognize individuals for their outstanding contributions to pylon racing.

Candidates for the Hall of Fame will be appraised by the NMPRA Hall of Fame committee, which consists of anonymous voters appointed by the NMPRA president, in accordance with the criteria below:

- **Basic Standard** – A candidate basically is to be judged on the degree of his or her contribution to the advancement of pylon racing on the indelibility of his/her impact.
- **Individual Candidacy** – Only individuals may be elected to the Hall of Fame
- **Scope of Activity** – Flexible authority is vested in the Hall of Fame Committee in identifying the scope of a candidate's activity in pylon racing. A candidate must have achieved definitive leadership in his/her own field of pylon racing activity. However, it is definitely not mandatory to honor the leaders in every activity related to pylon racing. A candidate truly must compete with all candidates in all fields, as well as with all candidates in his/her own field.
- **Span of Influence** – The time factor of a candidate's impact on pylon racing is completely flexible. It may cover an uninterrupted span of many years or it may cover two or more distinct and separated time cycles. Conceivably, a candidate may earn Hall of Fame recognition by one transient act, momentary in time, providing the impact on pylon racing is deemed significant enough. Longevity of involvement with pylon racing, therefore, will not in itself warrant recognition in the Hall of Fame.
- **Influence on Others** – A most significant criterion in evaluating a candidate will be his/her inspirational effect on others; the degree to which he/she multiplies his influence through others to create impact on pylon racing far beyond his/her own direct individual contribution.
- **Quantity vs. Quality** – A candidate's ability to expand the popularity of pylon racing is a quantitative virtue. The professionalism of his/her activity is a "qualitative" one. Both quantitative and qualitative criteria are to be considered equally and separately important; conceivably, one may be present without the other.
- **Devotion to Others** – Furthering pylon racing by selfless devotion to the interests of others may enhance the candidacy of an individual, but it is not essential to winning. The activities of a candidate may be completely self-devoted and still be considered significant enough to warrant recognition.
- **Professional Conduct and Image** – A candidate is expected to have practiced the highest caliber of professional conduct in order to enhance the public image of both himself/herself and the NMPRA.
- **Personal Morals and Behavior** – The selection process is not a judgment of personal morals and behavior, providing the latter does not negatively affect the professional conduct of the candidate and the public image of the NMPRA or Pylon racing in general.

# NMPRA Hall of Fame

## Nomination Form

Nominee name: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee is :    Living                       Deceased

*Contact information for the nominee or, if deceased, suggested representative of nominee*

Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Basis for nomination, with consideration of criteria:**

In 500 words or less, please summarize the outstanding contributions and achievements of the nominee. (Add space as needed if submitting electronically. Attach page(s) if submitting hard copy nomination.)

## References:

Please provide a minimum of three people familiar with the nominee and his/her achievements who are supportive of this nomination. For each, include name, relationship to nominee (if any), organizational affiliation (if applicable), their phone and/or email

## Nomination submitted by:

Contact name: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact email: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_