



BENDIGO FOOTBALL NETBALL LEAGUE



HALL OF FAME ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA 2025

1.0 General

1.1 Name

The name of the Hall of Fame shall be the ***Bendigo Football Netball League Hall of Fame***.

1.2 Objective

The objective of the ***Bendigo Football Netball League Hall of Fame*** is to recognise those outstanding individuals that have made a significant contribution to Australian Rules Football in the Bendigo Football Netball League. Specifically:

- Players
- Coaches
- Administrators/Special Category
- Umpires
- Media

1.3 Scope

The ***Bendigo Football Netball League Hall of Fame*** will be an elite body with a limited membership based on stringent criteria principally based on performances or activities in the Bendigo Football Netball League.

2.0 Hall of Fame

2.1 Criteria

The record of a proposed inductee shall be self evident when reviewed in detail, but to ensure credibility for membership of the Bendigo Football Netball League Hall of Fame criteria have been established to guide nominations and their assessment.

Player

- ✓ 7 years BFNL senior football/netball
- ✓ Interleague representative
- ✓ Retired from BFNL football/netball for five seasons
- ✓ Individual honours
- ✓ Upstanding Character

Coach

- ✓ 7 years BFNL senior football/netball
- ✓ Interleague representative
- ✓ Retired from BFNL football/netball for five seasons
- ✓ Premierships
- ✓ Upstanding Character

Administrator/Special Category

- ✓ 20 years in executive positions
- ✓ Contributions that have substantially enhanced the reputation or profile of the BFNL
- ✓ Pioneering or innovative approaches to the organisation and management of the BFNL
- ✓ Contributions that have substantially moved or grown the sport and the BFNL
- ✓ Upstanding Character

Umpire

- ✓ 8 years umpiring
- ✓ Umpired in grand finals
- ✓ Administration – Enhance the relationship between umpires and the clubs
- ✓ Upstanding Character

Media

- ✓ 15-year active involvement
- ✓ Promoted the BFNL
- ✓ Involved with the BFNL – Assisted in a voluntary capacity
- ✓ Upstanding Character

2.2 Nomination Details

To maximise the chance of nomination for the Hall of Fame succeeding it is important that full documentation is provided, including:

- A filled-out nomination form addressing in detail of the Hall of Fame criteria
- A broader biography including some sporting and personal history of the nominated individual, including awards
- One or more good quality photos, including a head shot and action shots of the nominated individual.
- Supporting documentation and evidence, such as copies of newspaper articles, club records, testimonials, etc.

2.3 Nomination Consideration

Nominations must be forwarded to the Bendigo Football Netball League via tom.king@aflcentralvic.com.au for consideration by **5pm Monday 30th June 2025**. The Subcommittee will review the nominations and determine whether they are forwarded to the Board of the BFNL for ratification.

Any nominations will be first considered by a Hall of Fame Subcommittee and if supported shall be voted on by the Board of the Bendigo Football Netball League.

Any decision by the Hall of Fame Subcommittee or the Board in relation to nominations for the Bendigo Football League Hall of Fame shall be final and no appeal can be made in relation to the decision and no correspondence will be entered into. Decisions of the Hall of Fame Subcommittee and Council will be based on a simple majority.

2.4 Selection Panel

The Hall of Fame Selection Panel will consist of two subcommittee's: one for Football and one for Netball. Each subcommittee shall consist of one Chair who will be a BFNL Board Member and up to five other members who shall be appointed by the Board.

2.5 Function

The date and venue for the 2025 Bendigo Football Netball League Hall of Fame Dinner is to be confirmed and tickets will be available for purchase closer to the event.

2.6 Nominations close

Nominations for the Bendigo Football Netball League Hall of Fame close on **5pm Monday, 30th June 2025**. Any nominations received after that date will not be accepted for consideration.

Previous Inductees

1986				
<i>Graham Arthur</i>	<i>Ron Best</i>	<i>Wally Culpitt</i>	<i>Kevin Curran</i>	<i>Eddie Esposito</i>
<i>Reg Ford</i>	<i>George Ilsley</i>	<i>Bob McCaskill</i>	<i>Alan Martin</i>	<i>Peter Moroni</i>
<i>Alf Odgers</i>	<i>George Ogilvie</i>	<i>Clive Philp</i>	<i>Peter Pianto</i>	<i>Colin Rice</i>
<i>Tony Southcombe</i>	<i>Fred Swift</i>	<i>Alan Williams</i>	<i>Greg Williams</i>	<i>Herb Zegelin</i>
1996				
<i>Bill Bonney</i>	<i>Francis Burke</i>	<i>Frank Crapper</i>	<i>Brendan Hartney</i>	<i>Jack Jefferies</i>
<i>Trevor Keogh</i>	<i>Frank Lenaghan</i>	<i>Alan McDonald</i>	<i>Harry Morgan</i>	<i>Garry Mountjoy</i>
<i>Shane Muir</i>	<i>Peter Tyack</i>			
2010				
<i>Ron Cawthan</i>	<i>Peter Davey</i>	<i>Peter Fyffe</i>	<i>Tony Kelly</i>	<i>Herb Milburn</i>
<i>Neil Monro</i>	<i>Robert O'Connell</i>	<i>Alan Patterson</i>	<i>Neville Strauch</i>	<i>Ron Threlfall</i>
2014				
<i>Phil Byrne</i>	<i>Gary Evans</i>	<i>Brendan Keane</i>	<i>John Ledwidge</i>	<i>Ron McHardy</i>
<i>Steve McKerrow</i>	<i>Kevin Parks</i>	<i>Stan Plowman</i>	<i>Harry Watts</i>	<i>Ron Wicks</i>
2019				
<i>Carol Bingham</i>	<i>Derrick Filo</i>	<i>John Jefferies</i>	<i>Richie Lee</i>	<i>Geoff Millar</i>
<i>Steven Oliver</i>	<i>Steven Reaper</i>	<i>Matt Sexton</i>	<i>Carol Sing</i>	<i>Graeme Wright</i>