

Class of 2025



Call for Nominations

CANADIAN WATER POLO HALL OF FAME - NOMINATION FORM

The purpose of the Canadian Water Polo Hall of Fame (CWPHOF) is to recognize the outstanding achievements and contributions of Canadians to the sport of water polo in eight categories, and one auxiliary award:

- Athletes
- Coaches
- Officials
- Teams
- Builders
- Clubs
- Historical Figures or Historical Teams
- Distinguished Alumni
- Cliff Barry Award for Water Polo Leadership and Sportsmanship

Criteria for Induction the Canadian Water Polo Hall of Fame

In addition to meeting the criteria for a specific category, a potential inductee must also:

1. Possess characteristics and qualities that distinguish them as good role models and excellent representatives of Water Polo in Canada;
2. Not be a current member of the CWPHOF Committee - with the exception of individuals who are a member of a team slated for induction;
3. In the case of an athlete, the individual must have been retired from national team international play for at least two years;
4. In the case of coaches and officials, if active, they should have served as a coach or official for a minimum of 25 years. If they are no longer active, they should be retired a minimum of two years prior.

1. Athletes

To be eligible for potential selection in this category, the Canadian water polo player in question must have achieved a degree of excellence as measured by the following:

- Number of recognized international achievements as a member of a Canadian team. For each event include as much of the following information as possible: the title of the event, the month and year, the final placement of the team and any individual recognition the athlete received.
- Significant individual achievements, awards, or recognition as a water polo player. For each recognition include details of where, when, and why they received the recognition. For example, "...was named Quebec Athlete of the Year in YYYY. Received a water polo scholarship from USC from YYYY – YYYY."
- Number of senior Canadian or senior foreign titles won. For each title include: the year, the Club, and any additional information you may have. For example: final score, goals scored, saves made, game sheets, tournament award selections, games played, and other pertinent details.
- The length of time an athlete played with the Canadian National Team. List all the years that the athlete played for the Youth, Junior and Senior National Teams.

2. Coaches

To be eligible for potential selection in this category, the coach in question must have achieved a degree of excellence as measured by the following:

- Number of recognized international achievements as a member of a Canadian team. For each event include: the title of the event, the month and year, the final placement of the team and any individual recognition the coach received.

- Significant achievements, awards, or recognition as a water polo coach. For each recognition include details of where, when, and why they received the recognition. For example, "...was named Water Polo coach of the year by BC Water Polo in YYYY."
- Number of Canadian titles won as a coach (senior, junior, youth, or other). For each title include: the year and any additional information you may have. For example, provide us details such as if the team undefeated or was the coach named Most Valuable Coach for the event. Provide other details such as - What was the final score of the gold medal game?
- Number of recognized international medals won as a coach of a foreign team. Include the country in which they were coaching, the year and month the event took place, where the event took place, the name of the event, the final placement of the team and any individual recognition the coach may have received.
- Provide details on the number of national team athletes they developed and provide names, dates, and teams those athletes played on.

3. Officials

To be eligible for potential selection in this category the official in question must have achieved a degree of excellence as measured by the following:

- Number of recognized international achievements as a referee. For each event include: the title of the event, the month and year, and any individual recognition the official received. For example, "...they were awarded to referee the gold medal game at Women's Junior World Championships in Detroit USA in 1992."
- Significant achievements, awards or recognition as a Canadian water polo referee. For each recognition include details of where, when, and why they received the recognition. For example, "...was named Referee In Chief at 1992 Junior Women's Nationals in Edmonton Alberta." Or "...was named Water Polo Canada Volunteer of the Year in 1980."
- Number of years of officiating at national championships. Include the years and the levels, genders, and age group at which they refereed.

4. Teams

This category recognizes successful Canadian National Teams. In your nomination, please clearly define which team you are nominating and for which specific event. Only players and coaches who are at the event will be inducted (to a maximum of 13 players and 3 coaches). For example: you could choose to nominate a team who attended an Olympic Qualifying event OR you may nominate the team who actually played at the Olympics – please be specific. Teams who were successful in any of the following events are eligible.

- Olympic Games and the Olympic Qualifying Tournament
- World Aquatic Championships and the World Aquatic Qualifying Tournament
- Fina Cup
- World League, including the Super Final
- World Age Group Championships
- World Student Games (FISU)
- Pan American Games
- Pan American Championships (Age Group and Senior)

5. Builders

To be eligible for potential selection in this category the individual in question must have achieved a degree of excellence as measured by the following:

- Number of years of significant contribution to the sport. Include which years and where in Canada they contributed. Include the role they had within the club, provincial or national organization.
- The scope, impact and/or significance of the contribution made. Include initiatives that they were responsible for, the impact they had on the youth playing the sport, estimate of the number of hours that they volunteered on a regular basis.

- Significant personal achievements, awards or recognition within the sport. This includes their whole time involved with water polo – whether it be as a player, an official, a board member, a volunteer, or a sport administrator.

6. Clubs

To be eligible for potential selection in this category the organization in question must have achieved a degree of excellence as measured by the following:

- Number of National championships won (senior and all age groups). Please provide details of which year, or years, for which the club is being nominated. Also provide the names of National Championships the club won during that time period. For example: "...nominating club "A" for the years 1986 – 1990. During that time the club won Senior Women's Nationals in 1986 and 1987; Senior Men's in 1986, 1988 and 1989."
- Significant achievements, awards or recognition received by the Club.
- A single particular team from a Club that achieved an exceptional level of success domestically may also be recognized in this category.

7. Historical Figure or Historical Team

To be eligible for potential selection in this category the individual or organization in question must have achieved a degree of excellence as measured by the following:

- Achievements by an individual or a team of a truly historical or significant nature. For example, "...team "A" was the very first Goulden Cup winner in 1907."
- Their achievement must be at least 25 years in the past in order for consideration in this category.

8. Distinguished Alumni

To be eligible for potential selection in this category the individual in question must have a strong connection to the water polo community in Canada and achieved a degree of excellence outside of the water polo sphere as measured by the following:

- Achievements and/or awards of distinction in their professional and/or personal life. Include what their role within water polo was and for which years. Also describe, fully, their contributions to their profession or to volunteer organizations outside of water polo and how those contributions demonstrate excellence.

Procedure for Nomination and Induction into the CWPHOF

For the CWPHOF Class of 2025, nominations open December 1st 2024, and will close on January 31, 2025.

Complete the nomination form below and submit it, along with all other documentation, via email to Noah Miller (miller.noah@gmail.com) and Marilyn Thorington (mjcthorington@me.com) with the subject line "**CWPHOF NOMINATION**". **Please ensure that you include both recipients, and that your email has the subject line: CWPHOF NOMINATION.**

All nominations must include supporting documentation for the nominee, including, but not limited to:

- A current résumé and sporting achievement CV
- A minimum of one high-resolution digital photograph of the nominated person
- Optional: Newspaper clippings, letters of support, awards certificates, and video links.
- It is encouraged that the nominator provides the most comprehensive and complete information possible.

Each nomination received will be assessed according to a series of objective criteria that have been established by the CWPHOF Committee. The CWPHOF Committee will choose the final winners by a system of ranked-choice voting.

Once inductees are selected there will be an announcement by the Canadian Water Polo Hall of Fame Committee and the induction ceremony is slated to take place in the National Capital Region during the May 8-11th weekend.

**Please note: after their submission, those nominations that are not selected for induction the same year they were submitted will be kept on file for consideration in future years. You may add to your nomination any additional information at any time during the nomination intake dates.

Contact Noah Miller for an excellent sample nomination form that was submitted for Hall of Famer John Csikos, which may help you build your own nomination.

Canada Water Polo Hall of Fame Nomination Form **(Please Include This Page In Your Nomination Package)**

Nominator Information (person making nomination)

First and last name:

Email:

Phone:

Mailing address:

Nominee Information (person being nominated)

First and last name of person being nominated:

Induction category person is being nominated for:

Mailing address:

Email:

Phone:

Date, place of birth:

- if deceased, please also provide date of death

Provide and write up to 3 pages that shows how the nominee meets the criteria as listed above as well as thoroughly covers the items below:

1. A point-form chronological history of their involvement in water polo, including all major achievements. With respect to teams and clubs, provide a description of the significance of their achievements.
2. How has the nominee served as an ambassador of their sport and helped to improve its reputation nationally and/or internationally?

Provide additional information about the general character and accomplishments of the nominee that would identify them as a role model for all Canadians.

Cliff Barry Award for Water Polo Leadership and Sportsmanship

Auxiliary Award of the Canadian Water Polo Hall of Fame and Alumni

Nomination Form

The Cliff Barry Award is a tribute to the late Clifford Barry. During his time as a water polo athlete and later an internationally renowned swimming coach, Cliff epitomized the characteristics of excellence in sport and sportsmanship. He was an individual who believed in hard work, in being a good team member and who placed others ahead of himself. He was a talented athlete who led by example, was modest and humble, and played at the highest level. He exemplified passion & perseverance and he demonstrated great care towards his teammates and the athletes he coached.

To be eligible for potential selection in this category the individual nominated must have achieved:

- A high level of excellence as a player in both domestic and international play.
- A recognized leader who is known for their sportsmanship and their positive leadership at the international and domestic levels.

Nominator Information (person making nomination)

First and last name:

Email:

Cell Phone:

Mailing address:

Nominee Information (person being nominated)

First and last name:

Email:

Cell Phone:

Mailing Address:

Date, place of birth:

- if deceased, please also provide date of death

Write up to 3 pages that shows how the nominee meets the criteria as listed above as well as thoroughly covers the items below:

1. A point-form chronological history of their involvement in water polo, including all major achievements. With respect to teams and clubs, provide a description of the significance of their achievements.
2. How has the nominee served as an ambassador of their sport and helped to improve its reputation nationally and/or internationally?
3. Please include letters of support that outline demonstrated sportsmanship and leadership at both the domestic and international level.

Provide additional information about the general character and accomplishments of the nominee that would identify them as a role model for all Canadians.

Completed applications should be sent via email to:

Noah Miller, Chair of the Water Polo Canada Hall of Fame Committee: miller.noah@gmail.com

Marilyn Thorington, Member of CWPHOF Committee: mjcthorington@me.com