

**2016 NOMINATION SUPPORTING MATERIAL**  
**Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame**

**Nomination Requirements and Guidelines**

Nominators, please provide as much pertinent information as possible to support your nominee/team and aid the selection committee with their deliberation. Copies of newspaper articles, links to supportive websites, biographies or other documentation, associations and individual endorsements will be used to assess the nominee's/team's achievements. It may also be beneficial to review the existing Inductees on the website to assist in preparing a nomination. The confidentiality of the nominees will be protected by the Board.

**Boundaries and Eligibility**

Membership in the Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame is limited to Springwater Township athletes, builders and teams. The Springwater Township municipal boundaries, established in January 1994, are the boundaries used to define Springwater Township.

Eligible Nominees:

- Must be born in Springwater Township and spent their formative years here.
- Not born in Springwater Township but moved here and lived a minimum of five (5) years before or during their sporting accomplishments.
- An athlete or team member from an outlying area that rightfully participated with and represented a recognized Springwater Township Sport Association for a minimum of five (5) years.
- Those mentioned above may be considered even if they eventually move away from the area.
- A person who has been employed and/or been instrumental in the development of sport and sporting accomplishments in Springwater Township.

**Recognized Sports**

Athlete and Team nominees must have participated in a recognized sport. The sport must be a member of, or is affiliated with, a provincial or national sport governing association. The sport must be on the current Ontario Recognized Provincial and Multi Sport Organizations list of recognized sports. See Ontario's recognized sports' site: <http://www.mtc.gov.on.ca/en/sport/sport/psos.html>

**Waiting Periods**

The individual athlete will have been retired from his/her sport, at the level being considered, a minimum of five years from the end of their last sporting season, though this may be waived at the discretion of the Board. The Board will take into consideration the age of the individual and the Sport Governing Association's definition of "Master" to determine if the waiting period should be waived or reduced. For a Builder and Team there shall be no waiting period and they will be eligible at any time and may still be involved in an active role.

**Quota and Limitations**

The number of inductees elected to the SSHHoF each two year term shall be a total of five (5) with the ideal being two (2) Builders, two (2) Athletes, one (1) team. Should exceptional circumstances arise these numbers may be adjusted at the discretion of the Board. Athletes and Builders may exceed two for a combined total of four (4) in any given cycle. At no time shall there be more than one (1) team inducted in any given term. Inductees as members of Teams shall be limited to players, coaches, trainers and managers (i.e. Carded Members of team or part of an Official Roster).

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**Criteria for the Election of Nominees**

Nominees elected into the Hall will have demonstrated a number of common desirable attributes. They will have exemplary values and personal characteristics of integrity, character, citizenship, success, leadership and community involvement.

To assist in formulating their decisions the Board members will take into consideration any acknowledged variants between each sport and levels of competitions to help in their individual selection and ranking of the nominees.

**Athlete:**

- Athletes will be chosen on the basis of their playing ability.
- Have excelled on the regional, provincial, national and/or international sports scene over an extended period of time.
- Have brought recognition to Springwater Township through their athletic achievements.
- Have achieved extra-ordinary distinction in an amateur or professional career.
- Have made a major contribution to the development and advancement of their sport.

**Builder:**

- Builders may include officials, sponsors, executive, trainers, owners, coaches, etc.
- Their work over an extended period in Springwater Township, regionally, provincially, nationally or internationally has been outstanding in providing a consistently high level of contribution to the sports community.
- Have been instrumental in the development of sport and sporting accomplishments in Springwater Township.
- Have made a major contribution, other than as a competitor, to the development and advancement of amateur or professional sport through their outstanding and extraordinary contribution to sports in general, in managerial, in promotional, or through their influential capacities.

**Team:**

- A team will be composed of two (2) or more members.
- Must have excelled on the regional, provincial, national and/or international sports scene.
- Level of competition and degree of difficulty will be considered.
- The competition must be an open event sanctioned by a sport's governing body.
- Has brought recognition to Springwater Township through their athletic achievements.

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**Potential 2016 Induction Nomination Questions and Answers**

It's very much appreciated that you are interested in nominating an athlete, builder or team for the 2016 induction into Springwater Sports Heritage Hall of Fame (SSHHoF). We trust some of the following **Q & A** will assist in answering any questions that may arise.

**Q:** Will the number of nominations received for a nominee enhance the chances of a nominee being selected for induction into the SSHHoF?

**A:** No. One fully completed nomination form is all that is required for each nominee.

**Q:** Is it possible for sport organizations to submit more than one nomination for an athlete, builder or team from their sport or organization?

**A:** The SSHHoF encourages sport organizations to put forward nominations for all athletes, builders or teams deserving of induction into the SSHHoF. There is no limit on the number of nominations accepted. All nominations will be considered.

**Q:** Is it possible to contact the SSH Board members to obtain clarification or more information about the nomination process?

**A:** The SSH Board members are very willing to answer any questions you may have about the nomination process. Additionally, if nominators have any questions regarding the nomination process or selection please send an email to [info@springwatersportsheritage.ca](mailto:info@springwatersportsheritage.ca). An email can also be sent through the website [springwatersportsheritage.ca](http://springwatersportsheritage.ca).

**Q:** Do I need to inform the nominee that I have nominated them for induction into SSHHoF?

**A:** It's not necessary to have a relationship with or personally know the nominee you are nominating and you do not need to notify them of the nomination. Depending on the circumstances, however, it may be prudent and a courtesy to the nominee to apprise them of your planned nomination.

**Q:** Will the nominator be notified if their nominee has been selected for induction into the SSHHoF?

**A:** A SSHHoF member will contact both the nominators and Inductees.

**Q:** When will the 2016 inductees be notified and announced?

**A:** The 2016 inductees will be notified and announced in June of 2016. Nominators will be notified at the same time.

**Q:** If my nominee is not successful in 2016 do I need to prepare a new submission for the next cycle?

**A:** Nominations that are not successful will be carried forward. Every person nominated shall be eligible for a total of three (3) Hall Induction cycles. The Board shall retain all unsuccessful nominations. If the nomination has been unsuccessful after three (3) Hall Induction cycles it will be removed from the active file and the nominator will be notified. The nominator should review the nomination form for each cycle and submit answers to any new requests. They will be added to the nominee's file.