## **INTRODUCTION**





## **Baseball NSW Heritage Committee**

On May 6th 2024, the Baseball NSW Board of Directors unanimously agreed to establish a Baseball NSW Hall of Fame and Heritage Committee. The committee will comprise former NSW greats, Lionel Harris and Paul Russell, along with Hartley Anderson, Geoff Robertson and two BNSW Directors and CEO, Mark Burns, Peter Worboys and Mark Marino.

Our Charter is to preserve and promote our proud heritage to those who laid the foundations for the game of baseball as we know it today. The standards for the establishment of a Hall of Fame and Heritage category are contained in the *Procedures Manual* which is available on the *Baseball NSW Heritage Committee* link on our website (see link below)

## <u>Heritage Committee – Baseball NSW</u>

Our objective is to recognize and acknowledge those who have contributed to the growth of NSW Baseball, both men and women, through outstanding or continued achievements within the sport as a player, coach, manager, administrator, umpire, scorer or volunteer. NSW baseball has had a long and rich history and has significantly contributed to the development of the sporting landscape within NSW and Australia which we are keen to recognise.

Therefore, we welcome all eligible entities, as defined in the Nominations, to delve into your history and take this opportunity to submit your champions from the past for consideration. The Committee are happy to announce that the Board of Directors have approved that all current NSW members in the Baseball Australia Hall of Fame, the NSW 75th Diamond Anniversary All Star Claxton Shield Team, three (3) Umpires and the NSW members of the 2004 Olympic Silver Medalist Team will be automatically inducted into the BNSW Hall of Fame in our inaugural year.

So, on behalf of Baseball NSW and the Heritage Committee it gives me great pleasure to launch this initiative which has been a work in progress for many years which has now come to fruition. We look forward to your involvement in embracing, recognizing, acknowledging and preserving our amazing history.

If you require clarification of one of your past champions as to their status, please do not hesitate to contact the Secretary of the Heritage Committee via email to <a href="mailto:hof@baseballnsw.com.au">hof@baseballnsw.com.au</a>

Sincerely,

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