



## ONTARIO PROVINCIAL TRAPSHOOTING ASSOCIATION

### HALL OF FAME

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Association (OPTA) Hall of Fame is to recognize and honour individuals who have demonstrated exemplary ability in the sport of Amateur Trapshooting Association (ATA) registered trapshooting and individuals who have made an exemplary contribution to the sport of ATA registered trapshooting.

#### **Administration**

The OPTA Hall of Fame is administered by the Board of Directors of the OPTA.

#### **Categories and Eligibility Criteria**

The Ontario Provincial Trapshooting Association Hall of Fame has two categories of inductees: Shooter and Contributor.

An OPTA Shooter who is still active in the sport must have at least 15 years' registration with a significant record. Former OPTA Shooters who are now retired must have an outstanding record over a period of years. Departed OPTA competitors are also eligible for induction.

Considered for the Contributor Category are those who have served the OPTA on a provincial level for a number of years and who have made outstanding contributions to the entire Association.

Regardless of category, members must have demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship, ethics and character.

Eligibility criteria are meant to be interpreted broadly so that no deserving nominee will be excluded from the OPTA Hall of Fame. When considering nominations, the OPTA Board of Directors will normally consider the following guidelines:

- **Shooter Category**
  - i. At least 15 years active membership in the ATA and OPTA
  - ii. A significant record of wins usually including a championship at Provincial, Canadian, Zone, Satellite Grand, or Grand American tournaments.
  - iii. OPTA high average awards.
  - iv. OPTA All Star team membership.
  
- **Contributor Category**
  - i. At least 15 years active membership in the ATA and OPTA
  - ii. Have made outstanding contributions to the entire Association such as serving in Provincial, Zone or National office, establishing or working at a Provincial gun club and involvement in special projects such as new shooter or youth training.
  - iii. Otherwise serving or promoting the sport of trapshooting.

However, the Board of Directors has sole discretion to consider any factor that it deems appropriate and has sole discretion and final authority to decide whether a nominee should be granted membership in the OPTA Hall of Fame.

### **Nomination Procedure**

Any member of the OPTA is entitled to nominate an individual to the OPTA Hall of Fame. The nomination must be in writing and be seconded by the signatures of at least 5 additional members of the OPTA. The nomination must be accompanied by a biography that evidences the nominee's eligibility for membership in the Hall of Fame and, if available, a photograph of the nominee suitable for display on the Hall of Fame page of the OPTA website.

The Secretary of the OPTA must receive the nominations no later than December 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **Election Procedure**

The OPTA Board of Directors will review all nomination forms during the January Board of Directors' meeting so long as quorum is met. If quorum is not met at the January meeting the Secretary will send out a notice to the Board of Directors to request a vote by email. The Secretary will then tally the votes and distribute the results to the Board of Directors prior to the February meeting. The inductee will be decided by vote of the Board of Directors and must receive the major portion of the Board votes.

### **Recognition Procedure**

Inductees will be placed in the upcoming Provincial Championship program and introduced at the Annual General meeting held in conjunction with the Provincial tournament.

The inductee will be included on the OPTA website Hall of Fame page along with their biography and picture (if available).