



THAMES CENTRE SPORTS WALL OF FAME

OBJECTIVE

To honour and recognize those athletes from Thames Centre who have achieved honour and recognition through sport at the Olympic and/or professional level.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Eligibility of Athlete

In order for an athlete to be considered for admission to the Sports Wall of Fame they must compete or have competed on a national or international level that is recognized professionally and/or recognized by the International Olympic Committee (I.O.C.) Selections criteria must include all the following:

- 1. Experience:** Must have played or competed in their sport at the professional or Olympic level.
- 2. Local Impact:** Must have been born in or spent their formative years in the Municipality of Thames Centre.
- 3. Achievements:** Notable accomplishments at a national or international level.
- 4. Recognition:** Acknowledgment by a professional organization and/or the Olympic Committee (I.O.C)

THAMES CENTRE SPORTS WALL OF RECOGNITION

New for 2025, the Municipality will be adding a sports wall of recognition at the FlightExec Centre and Thorndale Lions Community Centre. These walls will allow local minor sports associations to recognize their successes.

Definition of Athlete

For the purposes of the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame, a Thames Centre athlete shall be:

- a) Anyone born in The Municipality of Thames Centre who spends his/her formative years here, or
- b) Anyone who is not born here, but who comes to this Municipality and over an extensive period of time, proves their athletic ability in the Municipality of Thames Centre. Said athlete may be considered even if they eventually moves away from the Municipality.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Nominations may be submitted by athletes, media and any member of the community with an interest in Sport. Nominators are encouraged to supply as much supporting detail as possible while completing the nomination. The Committee may obtain any additional research and validate the factual basis of each submission.

The total number of inductees per Induction Ceremony to the Sports Wall of Fame shall be a maximum of six (6) inductees.

All eligible inductee nominee applications which are not selected for the induction may be reconsidered each year thereafter. The Committee may contact the nominator for additional information in subsequent years.

In all cases of nominations rejected by the Committee, letters will be sent to the nominator by the Committee, explaining the procedure and asking if there is any additional information that may be relevant to help with the nomination process.

All nomination files will be kept for any historical information that they may contain - no files will be destroyed.

No sitting member of the Committee shall be considered for election into the Thames Centre Sports Hall of Fame.

The Thames Centre Sports Hall of Fame Committee reserves the right to review and make changes to the selection criteria as deemed necessary. All decisions of the Selection Committee will be final.

INDUCTION CEREMONY

Each newly elected member of the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame shall be formally inducted at an official induction, held every other year on even years, only.

ADMINISTRATION

Administration of the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame, including record keeping and actual site determination, will be provided by the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame Committee.

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INDUCTEE NOMINATION FORM

The following information is requested so that the Athlete being nominated can be considered for the induction. In the nomination process, it is important that the person submitting the nomination form completes the form in detail, while ensuring the data provided is accurate.

Has this athlete played on an Olympic Team? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has this athlete had Professional (Paid) Athletic Experience? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If you answered "No" to both the above questions, this athlete does not qualify. Please consider contacting the appropriate minor sports association, and they can consider including this athlete on their portion of the sports wall of recognition.

If you answered "Yes" to either of the above questions, then the athlete can be nominated for the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame, assuming they meet the requirements for time spent in Thames Centre (see above). For the nomination form, please include the following:

1. All submissions must be accompanied by an appropriate photograph:
 - a) That is a 5x7 size that is of good quality and suitable for reprinting.
2. All research and information gathered is the responsibility of the nominator.
3. Attach all photocopies of articles from newspapers, etc., with names and dates if possible.
4. Complete all pages of the Nomination Form including the Nominee Consent Form. Please type or print clearly.
5. Mail or deliver completed forms and all attachments to:
Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame Committee
c/o Municipality of Thames Centre
4305 Hamilton Rd.,
Dorchester, ON N0L 1G3
6. The deadline for all nominations is **January 30, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.**
7. If the nomination is accepted, both nominator and nominee will be contacted directly. If the nomination is not accepted, only the nominator will be contacted.
8. Submissions will not be returned, so where possible, please submit photocopies as appropriate.

Contact Information of Nominator:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Business: _____ Other: _____

E-Mail: _____

Signature: _____

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INDUCTEE NOMINATION FORM

Inductee Personal Data:

Full Name: _____

Nickname: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____ Telephone: _____

Home: _____ Business: _____ Other: _____

Birth Date: _____ Place of Birth: _____

Schools Attended: _____

Years Lived in Thames Centre: _____

- ☐ Does the Nominee agree to be considered for selection to the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame

If deceased: Year of Death _____

If deceased, please include Next of Kin Contact information as follows:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: Home: _____ Business: _____ Other: _____

Privacy Statement: Personal information is collected in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, and will be used to process this nomination form for induction of the nominee into the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame. Questions about this collection should be directed to the Clerk of the Municipality of Thames Centre, 4305 Hamilton Road, Dorchester, ON N0L 1G3 or call 519-268-7334.

Office Use Only

Date Received: _____ Received by: _____

Submitted by: _____ Phone #: _____

References:

For the purposes of compiling information on the Nominee to assist the Selection Committee, we request three (3) references (at least one being from a non-family member). (Reference letters can be attached)

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

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Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

Summary of Sports Career:

Sporting History & Involvement for Olympic and Professional Experience:

Please include Year, Team Name, Competitive Level, Specification of League, and Achievements

Special Awards, Recognition or Titles (MVP, Scoring Titles, Team Captain, National Team member):

Please include Year, Team Name, Competitive Level, Specification of League, and Recognition

Please state the reasons you are submitting this person for induction consideration:

Please state what you believe to be the major strengths of this inductee:

Please enclose any other information that would assist the Selection Committee in making their decision (i.e., work/volunteer experience within Thames Centre):



THAMES CENTRE SPORTS WALL OF FAME NOMINEE CONSENT FORM

To: The Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame Committee

Re: Confidential Information Regarding Nominee

(print nominee's full name)

I, _____, representing myself as the nominee,
(print nominee's full name)

hereby consent and agree that the Thames Centre Sports Wall of Fame may collect and disseminate personal information regarding myself, the nominee, as set out above, for all promotional displays, media coverage in any format, including print or electronic media, certificates, exhibits, biographies, etc.

DATED AT Thames Centre this _____ day of _____, 20__.

Witness:

Nominee:

Print Name

Print Name

Signature

Signature

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