

## GVR Hiking Club Hall of Fame

### Selection Criteria:

- Must have 'retired' as a leader or assistant leader.
- Provided extraordinary, "above and beyond" service to the GVR Hiking Club as demonstrated by **multiple** contributions such as:
  - Served as Hikemaster;
  - Led or swept a significant number of hikes;
  - Developed many new hikes;
  - Contributed a lot to hiking and/or the GVRHC board;
  - Was a mentor to others;
  - Developed new club initiative(s), e.g., orientation, library, website, GPS & map training, etc.;
  - Taught classes, led orientation sessions, worked on trail maintenance, maintained maps and tracks for club hikes, etc.

### Nomination Process:

- On an annual basis, the Vice President will form and chair a HOF committee. This committee will include the Volunteer Services Coordinator to provide continuity from year to year.
- The committee will review nominations and propose HOF honorees for Board approval.
- The committee will review recent retirees and decide which ones (if any) meet the selection criteria and should be presented to the Board. Those nominations will be presented to the Board at its January or February meeting, with clear rationale for each proposed candidate.
- Board approval of each proposed candidate shall require an affirmation vote of at least two-thirds of the Directors.
- If there is a strong desire to add someone to the HOF that does not meet the selection criteria, a unanimous affirmation vote of all Directors is required.
- Once the Board approves an 'honoree', a HOF committee member will contact the honoree, make SURE they are okay with being inducted into the HOF, gather biographical details and a photo, and finalize the entry for the HOF.
- The honorees will be added to the HOF on the GVRHC website, announced at the Annual Meeting in March, and written up in the Spring Trail Tales.

### Notes:

- The HOF committee should contact the current Hikemaster for a list of leaders and assistant leaders who have recently retired.

- There is no limit as to how far back nominations can go, but it is expected that after a leader has been retired for a few years and has not been nominated, it probably will not happen.
- There is no limit to the number of nominations in any year. Some years may have no proposed nominations, and other years may have many.
- Ideally people are nominated without their knowledge in case they are not approved. But, if more data is needed for the nomination, a HOF committee member may talk to the nominee to acquire that data.
- If a nominee opposes being added to the HOF, then we will respect their wishes.
- Data sources to help the HOF committee with the process include:
  - The Records Committee can provide the number of hikes taken, including the date of the first hike.
  - The Hikemaster can provide the total number of leads and/or sweeps.
  - The President can provide the Board history document containing positions the nominee held.

In 2022 we will 'draw a line' in the current HOF document, note the new criteria, and then add entries into the document by the date honorees were inducted into the HOF. We might eventually try to reorder all the existing entries by the date that they were inducted into the HOF.

## Questions to ask the Honoree for the HOF entry

- When did you start leading hikes (our database only goes back to 5/01)?
- When did you join the Club?
- What other positions have you held in the GVRHC?
- Do you have a picture that you would like for the HOF?
- Notable facts that you would like mentioned.

### Sample

**Tom Johnson** Tom joined the Club in late 1996 and was soon helping with trail maintenance. He led his first hike in October 1998 to Hope Camp Trail. Tom retired as a leader in October 2013 and received his emeritus badge on January 14, 2014 at the Leaders' breakfast. During his tenure as leader, Tom was active in opening up many new hikes for the Club. He is still an active hiker. Over the years Tom has also worked as the Club's historian. He has written and edited many articles about the history of southern Arizona relative to the hikes the Club does and posts them online on the Club's website. He also has a small lending library of Southern Arizona material, which is available to Club members. **Tom was inducted into the Hall of Fame in March, 2014.**