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NEW INDUCTEES TO BE HONORED IN HALL OF FAME FEBRUARY 15TH

The Board of Directors of the Museum of Polo and Hall of Fame is pleased to announce that the following will be inducted into the Hall of Fame: Daniel Gonzalez, Gerald Balding, Karlene Beal Garber, John B. Armstrong, and horses Mr. Polo and Conover. The Gala this year is a milestone occasion celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the Museum's Hall of Fame Awards Dinner and Induction Ceremony. It will be held at the Museum on Friday, February 15th, 2019 and all are invited to join us to welcome into the Hall of Fame this stellar group of individuals, all of whom have made amazing contributions to the sport of polo in this country.



Kicking off the festivities at 6:30, arriving guests will be greeted with champagne from the Korbel Bubbles bar and passed hors d'oeuvres. The "Grand Reception" is a great time to explore the Museum's exhibits and to mingle with friends. Other wine and cocktails will also be served for the reception and dinner courtesy of Lipman Brothers LLC, Robert Lipman, Margaret Lipman Orthwein, Brown-Forman, Bacardi USA, Tito's Handmade Vodka, Korbel, Line 39 Wine and Old Hickory Bourbon.

Following the reception will be an elegant seated dinner by Ken Rose Catering, graciously sponsored by Marc and Melissa Ganzi, Grand Champions Polo Club and Digital Bridge Holdings, LLC. The evening's entertainment is sponsored by Wayne and Pamela Garrison. Photographers Alex Pacheco, Krystal Zaskey Photography, artist Melinda Brewer, Chukker TV and Frederic Roy and the Morning Line are also sponsors/donors of their services to our event and for our exhibits throughout the year. Our thanks also to sponsors for the Museum's book Poloart the 2018 Season which will be given as a gift to guests at the dinner; Maureen Brennan and Iconica Foundation with additional funding support from Karlene Beal Garber. We are grateful to all our donors and sponsors and ask you to please support them whenever you can! Photos from last year's Hall of Fame Induction Gala, page 3.



DANIEL GONZALEZ

Living Inductee

Selected as the Living Hall of Fame Award winner, Daniel Gonzalez was a part of the American polo scene for over 35 years known both as a player and a coach. A 9-goaler in the U.S. and rated 10 in Argentina, he won every high goal tournament played on the Pacific Coast including the Pacific Coast Open and Butler Handicap. His international record is astounding having won major tournaments in England and France and the most important Argentine tournaments including 7

wins of the Argentine Open between 1961 and 1973. But his most compelling attribute is his commitment to pass on his knowledge of polo to others. Bringing players and teams to California to play for 39 consecutive years, Daniel has coached with dedication. The gift of his knowledge and expertise has proved to be an influence on a countless number of young aspiring polo players.



GERALD BALDING

Posthumous Inductee

Gerald Matthews Balding, a dashing figure of the Golden age of polo in the 1930s, was chosen for the Posthumous Hall of Fame category. After the first World War and in his twenties, English-born Balding was invited by Robert Strawbridge, the president of the United States Polo Association to come to America "to train our boys how to play the game". He made the trip and became an instructor for the Rumson Polo Club. He went on to become an internationally known star. A 10 goaler in England he was the captain of the British national team and as

a 9 goaler in America, he won the Junior Championship in 1928, the U.S. Open in 1935 and 1936 and the Monty Waterbury Cup in 1930 and 1935. Balding represented America winning the 1930 Hurlingham Champion Cup with the Hurricanes team and rode with the American squad against Argentina in the Cup of the Americas in 1936.