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## VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

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### Purpose

Volunteers are the lifeblood of every sporting organisation and the Darwin Netball Association (DNA) is no exception and we would like to recognise the invaluable contribution of volunteers in our sport during the current season. During every season there are many volunteers who go above and beyond every week to ensure that teams are trained, organised, are uniformed and able to get onto the court. These are the people that we are seeking to recognise and thank them for their distinguished and outstanding service to netball in Darwin.

This award is announced and presented at the DNA Senior Presentation Night each year. Only one award will be issued in any one year.

### Period of Consideration

The current year of the DNA Junior/Senior Season.

### Criteria

A volunteer who is a registered member of an affiliated club of the DNA is eligible to receive this award. This award is in recognition for the distinguished/outstanding service and commitment that the volunteer has given to netball in Darwin in the current DNA Junior and/or Senior Season.

Distinguished/outstanding service means a volunteer who is committed, puts in effort, commands great respect, goes above and beyond what is ordinarily expected, is ready and willing to help out, a person who gets things done.

### Nominations

Anyone can nominate a worthy recipient.

Nominees may include: administrator, office bearer, committee member, team official, match official, sports medicine (or medical) personnel, trainer, curator, coach, fundraiser or any other netball volunteer role within a club or the DNA.

The nomination is to:

- describe the volunteer's exceptional/outstanding achievement
- relevant netball qualifications that the volunteer has achieved.
- outline the impact the volunteer has had
- outline the benefits the volunteer has provided to netball in Darwin
- highlight the level of commitment, dedication and professionalism demonstrated by the volunteer.

Nominations are required to be submitted in writing to DNA by the advertised closing date as detailed on the poster and the nomination form via email at [darwin.netbal@gmail.com](mailto:darwin.netbal@gmail.com) or alternatively the form can be dropped into the DNA office.

The Volunteer of the Year Award Nomination Form (located on the DNA website under the 'Policies and Forms' section).



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## Process

The DNA will advise via Facebook, website and email when the nominations open and advise the closing date.

The DNA Management Team will meet to review all applications to determine the successful recipient. The decision of the selection panel is final and cannot be appealed.

The nominations will be judged for their:

- Contribution to netball in Darwin demonstrating:
  - Passion
  - Integrity
  - Discipline
  - Respect
  - Teamwork
- Commitment
- Innovation, leadership and best practice principles
- Demonstration of contribution to netball participation.

All nominees will be acknowledged.

## Benefits

The Volunteer of the Year Award recipients will be entitled to the following:

- Invitation for recipient and guest to attend the DNA Presentation Dinner.
- Invitation for recipient and guest to attend the DNA Grand Final (junior and senior) nights.

## Recognition

A citation and photograph will be displayed appropriately on DNA website.