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2021 Awards Night Selection Criteria

Eligibility Period

The eligibility period for the 2021 Awards is from July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021, spanning a total of 12 months. This is similar to the span of the 2020/21 Player Ranking system.

Male Bowler of the Year

The recipient of this award will be the male player who has accrued the most ranking points under the Player Ranking system within the 2020/21 rankings period.

Female Bowler of the Year

The recipient of this award will be the female player who has accrued the most ranking points under the Player Ranking system within the 2020/21 rankings period.



Under-18 Male Bowler of the Year

The recipient of this award will be a male under-18 bowler. The bowler will have successfully managed their studies and/or working lives to fit with their bowling aspirations. The Player Ranking points of the nominee will also be taken into account.

Nominees for the award must be under 18 years of age as of June 30, 2021 (the end of the nomination period) or have turned 18 during the eligibility period. However, any events in which the player competed in after they turned 18 should not be considered when determining this award.

Criteria

The winners of this award will be awarded based on the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Performance at the Australian Under-18 Championships;
- Performance at state championships (junior or senior);
- Player Rankings points;
- Performances at national events, including the Australian Open, Australian Indoor Championships, Australian Sides Championships, Australian Champion of Champion, Australian Championships, and Bowls Premier League;
- Performances at international level, including the World Youth Championships, World Cup, or Trans-Tasman.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia National Coach; Gary Willis
- Bowls Australia Board Director (1);
- Bowls Australia National Selector (1).

Under-18 Female Bowler of the Year

The recipient of this award will be a female under-18 bowler. The bowler will have successfully managed their studies and/or working lives to fit with their bowling aspirations. The Player Ranking points of the nominee will also be taken into account.

Nominees for the award must be under 18 years of age as of June 30, 2021 (the end of the nomination period) or have turned 18 during the eligibility period. However, any events in which the player competed in after they turned 18 should not be considered when determining this award.

Criteria

The winners of this award will be awarded based on the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Performance at the Australian Under-18 Championships;
- Performance at state championships (junior or senior);
- Player Rankings points;
- Performances at national events, including the Australian Open, Australian Indoor Championships, Australian Sides Championships, Australian Champion of Champion, Australian Championships, and Bowls Premier League;
- Performances at international level, including the World Youth Championships, World Cup, or Trans-Tasman.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia National Coach; Gary Willis
- Bowls Australia Board Director (1);
- Bowls Australia National Selector (1).

Coach of the Year

The recipient of this award will be a coach that has shown outstanding coaching ability over the award eligibility period. The coach will have a well-organised training program, shown positive results at state and/or national events and is able to demonstrate a bowler's overall improvement.

This award will be open to all current affiliated National Coaching Accreditation Structure coaches who are accredited at or above Club Coach level.

Criteria

The winners of this award will be awarded based on the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Minimum level qualification of Club Coach;
- Been a qualified coach for a minimum of twelve months;
- Has always been well organised at training and provided an enjoyable training program;
- Has shown excellent results at state and/or national and/or international events;
- Can demonstrate a bowler's overall improvement.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia National Coach; Gary Willis
- Bowls Australia Coach Development Specialist; Michael Beaumont
- Bowls Australia Board Director (1).

Official of the Year

The recipient of this award will be an official that has shown outstanding officiating ability over the award period. They will have a sound knowledge of all rules and a passion for the role. This recipient must have officiated at a State event and/or a Bowls Australia national and/or international event during the award period.

This award will be open to all current affiliated National Officiating Advisory Scheme officials who have umpired at a State and/or Bowls Australia and/or international event during the eligibility period.

Criteria

The winner of this award will be awarded based on the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Minimum Level One Umpire or National Umpire qualification;
- Must have officiated at a State event and/or a Bowls Australia national and/or international event during the eligibility period;
- Shown passion and commitment to officiating;
- Have a sound knowledge of all Laws;
- Has shown ability to pass knowledge onto other officials in the way of training sessions or alike.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia Board Director (1);
- Bowls Australia CEO; Neil Dalrymple
- Bowls Australia ITO Mentor and Assessor; Sandy Wallace
- Bowls Australia National Officiating Advisory Group Chair, John Roberts

Volunteer of the Year

The recipient of this award will have had a positive attitude to the voluntary work they complete and have been able to work interdependently to achieve a goal.

Please nominate a volunteer that has devoted their time and effort into assisting at either a state, national or international level event or in the implementation of strategic priorities outlined in the Bowls in Australia Strategic Plan 2020 - 2022.

Criteria

The winner of this award will be chosen based on meeting one or more of the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Volunteered at state, national or international events;
- Involvement at a state, national or international level;
- Number of bowls events volunteered at (both club, state, national and international) during the eligibility period;
- Level of involvement in the implementation of strategic priorities outlined in the Bowls in Australia Strategic Plan 2020 – 2022.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia CEO; Neil Dalrymple
- Bowls Australia Board Director (1);
- Bowls Australia President; Bob Boorman

Club of the Year

This award recognises a club that has made a significant contribution to the running of a State, Bowls Australia national or international event; the implementation of a STA initiative or program and/or a Bowls Australia initiative or program or otherwise contributed to the growth of the sport in a significant and identifiable manner.

Other metrics include, but are not limited to, demonstration of sound governance and business practices, community impact and club health check status will be taken into account when determining this award. On-green performance and membership numbers may be taken into account, however will be of secondary importance when determining the winner.

Each Regional Bowls Manager must nominate at least one club for this award and, nominations are also open to State and Territory Associations and the public.

Criteria

The winner/s of this award will be chosen based on meeting one or more of the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Success in hosting a State, Bowls Australia national event and/or international event;
- The successful implementation of a STA or national program or initiative (National examples include but are not limited to Jack Attack, BPL Cup, Bowls Premier League, Rookie Rollers, Sporting Schools, Roll Back the Clock, Bowls Connect, Bowlslink);
- Demonstration of sound governance and business practices;
- Helped to grow the sport in a tangible and identifiable way.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia CEO; Neil Dalrymple
- Bowls Australia GM Participation and Programs; Chris Wallace
- Bowls Australia President; Bob Boorman
- Bowls Australia Board Director (1)

Bowler of the Year with a Disability

The recipient of this award will be a bowler affiliated with one or more of the Bowls Australia's four partner disability organisations. The bowler will have achieved success at state, national or international level events. The Player Ranking points of the nominee will also be taken into account.

All nominees for this award must be affiliated and classified to play by one or more of the following associations:

- Australian Blind Bowlers Association (ABBA);
- Deaf Lawn Bowls Australia;
- Disability Sports Australia;
- Sport Inclusion Australia (formerly AUSRapid).

Criteria

This award will be awarded based on the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Performance at Bowls Australia national events, in particular the Australian Open (both in Open and Bowlers with a Disability disciplines);
- Performance at international events;
- Performance at state championships (junior or senior);
- Performance at their respective state, national and international disability championships/events;
- Player Rankings points.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia CEO; Neil Dalrymple
- Bowls Australia National Coach; Gary Willis
- Bowls Australia Board Director (1);

Community Service Award

This Community Service Award was introduced in 2020 to recognise a club that has made a considerable contribution within their community. The successful recipient of this award will need to be able to demonstrate an initiative, project or program that was implemented in order to benefit their broader community. For example, the club may have provided shelter and food supplies to local community members during a natural disaster (e.g. the 2019/20 Bushfires; the 2021 Floods in Victoria and so on); or the club may have created a COVID return to bowls program, implemented an inclusion program, an environmental sustainability program or some other initiative that benefits the local community

Criteria

The winner/s of this award will be chosen based on meeting one or more of the following criteria, and will be at the sole discretion of the judging panel:

- Successful implementation of a local program that directly benefits the community;
- Helped to grow the sport in a tangible and identifiable way;
- Able to demonstrate support from local community groups in relation to the program or initiative. A letter/s of support outlining the club's involvement and activities with a local group or organisation is encouraged.

Other relevant information

This award will be judged by:

- Bowls Australia CEO; Neil Dalrymple
- Bowls Australia GM Participation and Programs; Chris Wallace
- Bowls Australia President; Bob Boorman