

Netball WA Service to Sport Award

Purpose

The Netball WA (NWA) Service to Sport Award recognises the significant and sustained contribution to Netball in WA by an individual in Western Australia at various levels for an extended period (30 Years).

It should be acknowledged that Life Membership is the highest honour available for netball in WA. There are individuals who will not meet the eligibility criteria for Life Membership but have provided service to netball as a sport across WA. A recipient of the Service to Sport Award may go on to become eligible for Life Membership at some point in the future.

Selection Criteria

The nominee for the Award must meet the following criteria:

1. Candidate/s must be a current registered financial member of NWA (or a previously registered member if being nominated posthumously).
2. The nominee may be a volunteer or a staff member who undertakes voluntary service above and beyond their paid service. Current NWA Life Members are ineligible for the Service to Sport Award.
3. Significant and sustained contribution to Netball in WA by an individual in Western Australia at various levels for an extended period (30 Years). Significant, sustained and lasting contribution is defined as the importance and quality of work or service consistently initiated, performed or undertaken for netball in WA by a member over a period of time.
4. Meet the Time of Service as outlined below.

Time of Service

- A minimum of thirty (30) years-service to netball in WA is required before being eligible to be considered for a Service to Sport Award
- The intermittent contribution by a nominee over several periods of time may be taken into account, when assessing a nomination
- The Service to Sport Award may be awarded posthumously
- The NWA Board reserves the right to determine if a Service Award can be awarded to a nominee who has provided less than the minimum number of years of service

Nomination Process

- The NWA Board will invite Associations and Members to nominate Candidate/s for this award.
- The completed online nomination form and all supporting information and documentation is to be submitted to the Awards & Recognition Committee history.heritage@netballwa.com.au by the date specified. Late or hand-written nominations will not be considered.
- Confirmation of receipt of this nomination will be forwarded to the Association or Member.
- Confirmation of the Service to Sport Award will be forwarded to the Association after the announcement.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This document is to be read in conjunction with [Service to Sport Award Policy \(NWA-POL-22\)](#) to ensure that you have met all criteria and submitted all relevant supporting information and documentation

Nominations are to be submitted through the [Netball WA - Service to Sport Award Nomination Form](#)

CLOSING DATE: Annually 31 March – 5:00pm

Award Selection

1. The NWA Award & Recognition Committee will review all nominations received to ensure each nomination meets the criteria and, if appropriate, put forward such nominations for recommendation to the Board.
2. The NWA Board will review all recommendations received and will endorse the recommendations for awarding the Service to Sport Award.

Award Presentation

The announcement and formal presentation of the Service to Sport Award will be made at the Closing Ceremony of the Association Championships, or a suitable significant event where the recipient's peers will be present. Travel costs associated with attendance at the presentation will be negotiated on an individual basis.

Further Information

For further information or queries please contact Beth Harvey NWA General Manager – Community on **9380 3709** or email history.heritage@netballwa.com.au