



TRIATHLON

VICTORIA

2023 Annual Awards

Nomination Information

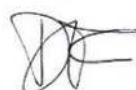
Introduction

The 2023 Triathlon Victoria Annual Awards will be presented at the Annual Awards Breakfast in celebration of the 2022-23 triathlon season. The Awards function provides the triathlon community (members, friends and families) the opportunity to celebrate and recognise those who have made significant contributions or achieved outstanding results in 2022-23 (athletes, officials, coaches, volunteers and clubs).

Since the birth of triathlon/multisport in the early 80's, Victoria has been at the forefront of the sport in Australia from a national, World Championship and Olympic perspective. Our past is special, and it is incumbent on the triathlon community to recognise those who built the foundations and those who continue this tradition of excellence. In doing so, we call for members to nominate their peers for award recognition.



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Victorian Triathlon State Series Champion (Age Group Awards)

Award Description	The 2022-23 Victorian State Series Champion title is awarded to individuals based on results from selected multisport events across the 2022-23 season.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members of Triathlon Victoria (Australia) are eligible for this award. • Champion athletes accrue points from racing in State Series races, with the athlete's total score based on the State Series rules.
Nomination & Selection	<p>The award process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall season <i>State Series Awards</i> will be awarded in each age group taken from an athlete's as per the 'state series rules'. • Points are allocated on a top down system. In the event of a non-member or a member of another State or Territory placing in the top 10 these points are included in the point's allocation, but these people are ineligible for State awards. • The age categories for the <i>State Series</i> start at 12-13, 14-15, 15-19 years and then progress in five (5) yr. age groups starting from 20 (i.e. 20 – 24 etc.) upwards. They also include Multiclass (Intellectual Impairment) as an open category. All ages are based on the 31st of December 2022.

Victorian Triathlon State Series Shield

Award Description	The 2022-23 Victorian State Series title is awarded to clubs/squads (<i>State Series Shield</i>) based on results from the selected multisport series events across the 2022-23 season.
Eligibility	<p>Organisations must be an affiliated club/squad (referred to as clubs) to be eligible for the State Series Shield and will be classified according to their size/type (classification confirmed using membership taken at 30 June 2022 when clubs affiliated for the 2022/23 season)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Club – less than 100 members • Large Club – over 101 members <p>For individuals to be awarded points, towards the club award, they must be a member of an affiliated club/squad (and Triathlon Victoria/Australia)</p>
Nomination & Selection	<p>The award process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clubs/squads accrue points from the performances and participation of their members calculated from the State Series events with points accumulated by club members. • Points are allocated on a top down system. In the event of a non-member or a member of another State or Territory placing in the top 10 these points are included in the points allocation. These people are ineligible and thus any points are not accrued to any club aggregate. • Participation points will be awarded to the club for each competitor (one point) that competes at State Series event.

Victorian Triathlon Club Performance Award

Award Description	The 2022-23 Victorian Triathlon Club Performance Award title is awarded to clubs/squads (<i>State Series Shield</i>) based on results from the selected multisport series events across the 2022-23 season.
Eligibility	Organisations must be recognised as an affiliated club/squad (referred to as clubs) to be eligible for the Club Performance Award
Nomination & Selection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To recognise the role clubs and squads play in supporting and developing high performance athletes across junior, youth and age group racing. • The Performance Club Award will be calculated from the State Series events with points accumulated by club members. • Points are awarded to the first three placegetters (podium finishers) across junior, youth and age group racing on a 3,2,1 basis.

Male and Female Junior/Youth Athlete of the Year Award

Award Description	This award will highlight the most outstanding overall or one-off performance from a Victorian Junior/Youth athlete over the previous racing season (including State / National / International / ITU / WTC racing).
Eligibility	All members of Triathlon Victoria (Australia) are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	<p>The National Pathway Network (NPN) Pathway Manager will compile a list of performances of Junior/Youth athletes (directly or via coaches) which consider the following</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Up to five performances from sanctioned events, detailing specific achievements of the nominee including any medal places at major competitions (state, national, world championships, etc) • A description of the nominee’s most outstanding achievement during the nomination period criteria and why (i.e. – development pathway progression). • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Athlete Pathway Lead will submit their selection (ranking up to 3 individuals) both male and female to the Awards committee for consideration and Board endorsement.</p>

Most Inspiring Performance Award

Award Description	This award will highlight the most inspiring overall or one-off performance from a Victorian athlete over the previous racing season and is inclusive of all events, membership types and racing categories.
Eligibility	All members of Triathlon Victoria (Australia) are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for peer nomination whereby any member of Triathlon Australia may nominate a Triathlon Victoria member for this award. The nomination will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Details of the performance/s from sanctioned events which demonstrate the athletes inspiration to others; • A description of how the nominee has overcome disappointment/adversity during the nomination period criteria; • A description of how the nominee has demonstrated the triathlon values of Respect, Health, Enjoyment, Belonging, Achievement and Integrity; • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Awards Committee will consider all nominations and recommend a winner (and finalists) to the Board for endorsement.</p>

Club Coach of the Year Award

Award Description	This Award will recognise accredited triathlon coaches who operate in Victoria and have demonstrated a commitment and dedication to coaching
Eligibility	All members of Triathlon Victoria (Australia) are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for peer nomination whereby any member of Triathlon Australia may nominate a Triathlon Victoria member, who is an accredited coach, for this award. The nomination will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A description of the coaching roles undertaken by the nominee • A description of the ways in which the nominee encourages the development of the athlete and/or club (including specific examples). i.e. What will be their legacy for the future? • A description of how the nominee has demonstrated the triathlon values of Respect, Health, Enjoyment, Belonging, Achievement and Integrity; • A description of the nominee's most outstanding achievement during the current season and why. • A description of specific coaching achievements outlining any significant athlete/s performances at state/national or international events (include athletes' names, age category, events and result). • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Awards Committee will consider all nominations and recommend a winner (and finalists) to the Board for endorsement.</p>

Age Group Coach of the Year Award

Award Description	This award will recognise individual coaches who display excellence in all aspects of coaching at the Community/Age group environment.
Eligibility	All Triathlon Australia (Victoria) accredited coaches are eligible for nomination. Nominated coaches must be coaching at a community/age group level.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for peer nomination whereby any member of Triathlon Australia may nominate an accredited coach (operating in Victoria) for this award. The nomination will include:</p> <p>Details of the contribution to triathlon/multisport including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the way/s the nominee has demonstrated a positive image of coaching / the role of the coach. • their commitment to coaching a variety of athletes (junior, age group, para) • how they have demonstrated respect/sportsmanship towards all concerned (including parents, other athletes and coaches, technical officials) <p>A description of the way/s the nominee has contributed to the development and ongoing participation of triathlon/multisport athletes within and outside the sporting environment. This may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Results in the Age Group National & World Championships (Athlete, Race, Place), • Improvement on results from the previous year, • Development of athletes that have been progressed through the development pathway (not limited to winning and may include aspects of personal growth) <p>A description of the way/s the nominee has contributed to the development and retention of triathlon/multisport coaches within and outside the sporting environment. This may include mentoring and support via activities such as: Coach development and supervising hours of new coaches, encouraging new coaches, presenting at development activities, etc</p> <p>*This is part of the Triathlon Australia Awards structure and often occurs in a separate timeline to the TV Awards process. The winner is recommended to TA for ratification and approval and becomes eligible for the National award amongst a short-list of nominees from the STTAs.</p>

Technical Official of the Year Award

Award Description	These awards are presented annually in recognition of the outstanding contribution of accredited Triathlon Victoria (Australia) Technical Official.
Eligibility	<p>Triathlon Victoria Technical Recognition Award - accredited Local Technical Officials (LTO) with less than 3 years' experience are eligible for nomination.</p> <p>Triathlon Victoria Technical Official of the Year Award - accredited officials (LTO, RTO, ATO or ITU) are eligible for nomination.</p>
Nomination & Selection	<p>These awards are open for peer nomination whereby any accredited Technical Official may nominate another official for these awards. The nomination will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A description of the role/s or area/s where the nominee has contributed/excelled; • A description of how the nominee has demonstrated the triathlon values of Respect, Health, Enjoyment, Belonging, Achievement and Integrity; and hence demonstrated service worthy of recognition; • A description of how the nominee's contribution impacted on the 'technical program' and/or triathlon either locally, nationally or internationally during the season. • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Triathlon Victoria Technical Committee will review the nominations and submit their recommendations to the Awards Committee and Board for endorsement.</p>

Club Volunteer Award

Award Description	This award will recognise the contributions of club volunteers working within the affiliated club network.
Eligibility	All members of Triathlon Victoria (Australia) who are members of an affiliated club are eligible for nomination. Note: Only one nomination per affiliated club will be accepted.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for club nomination whereby any affiliated club (via a member) may nominate an eligible person for this award. The nomination will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A description of the role/s or area/s where the nominee has excelled; • A description of how the nominee has demonstrated the triathlon values of Respect, Health, Enjoyment, Belonging, Achievement and Integrity; and hence demonstrated service worthy of recognition; • A description of how the nominee's contribution impacted on the club's participation, member engagement, profile, etc within the triathlon/local community. (specific examples) • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Awards Committee will consider all nominations and recommend a winner (and finalists) to the Board for endorsement.</p>

Club Initiative of the Year

Award Description	This award recognises an affiliated club who has made a significant contribution to triathlon in 2018 through the development of a program, event or activity that has put 'more people on the starting line'.
Eligibility	All affiliated clubs are eligible to submit a nomination. Note: Only one nomination per affiliated club will be accepted.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for club nomination whereby any affiliated club (via a member) may nominate a program, event or activity that has put 'more people on the starting line'. The nomination should address:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A description of the activity • An indication of the number of people involved, how long they were involved, whether they have continued their involvement and what impact it had on the individual/s and the club. • How the activity aligns to the triathlon values of Respect, Health, Enjoyment, Belonging, Achievement and Integrity; and hence demonstrates an initiative worthy of recognition; • How the activity might be seen as 'innovative' by engaging with underrepresented groups, adding to the fabric/culture of the club, creating social connections, broadening the activities of the club, etc. • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Awards Committee will consider all nominations and recommend a winner (and finalists) to the Board for endorsement.</p>

President's Special Recognition Award

Award Description	The Triathlon Victoria Board may, at their discretion, award a 'President's Special Recognition Award' at the Annual Awards celebration. This award is decided solely by the Board and is designed to recognise an individual, group or organisation that has made a significant contribution to triathlon in Victoria either in a single event or over a significant period of time.
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Legend of Multisport Award

<p>Award Description</p>	<p>The purpose of the award is to recognise people who have not only distinguished themselves at a high level of sporting performance with achievements considered superior to the majority of their peers, and who have made a greater impact on the sport of triathlon in Australia and around the world by inspiration, or example to others.</p> <p>This award will honour those individuals who have made a significant contribution to the sport, irrespective of duration, that will have positively promoted multisport. Their dedication and commitment coupled with good character will have led to successful achievements that will have enhanced public and/or commercial interest in triathlon.</p>
<p>Eligibility</p>	<p>The following categories of individuals are eligible for the Legend of the Sport Award:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Competitors - Elite athletes, Age Group athletes, Athletes with a disability, etc • Administrators – Race Directors, etc <p>i. Elite athletes and athletes with a disability must have been retired from elite competition for a minimum of 2 years before being eligible for induction.</p> <p>ii. A competitor will have competed at the international level (World Championships, Olympics, or Commonwealth Games, ITU and other competitions including Challenge, WTC, either as elite or age group athlete, or athlete with a disability, and have made significant achievement and outstanding contribution as a competitor at the National and/or State and Territory Association (STTA) level or have achieved outstanding results or performances in Victorian Triathlon in a manner or standard that deserves special recognition.</p>
<p>Nomination & Selection</p>	<p>The Awards Committee will manage a list of eligible candidates and each year review and discuss the list of candidates, which may be further populated by external nominations.</p> <p>The Awards Committee will be asked to recommend an individual from the list who they feel are most deserving of the award to the Triathlon Victoria Board for endorsement.</p>

Life Membership of Triathlon Victoria

<p>Award Description</p>	<p>Each year the Triathlon Victoria Board calls for nominations from individual members, or member clubs, for persons to be considered for Life Membership of the Association.</p> <p>Life membership is awarded to an individual who has rendered distinguished or special service to triathlon in Victoria and is likely to have been for an extended period.</p> <p>Upon receipt of any such nominations the board will assess and recommend to a 'general meeting' any person/s deemed to have fulfilled these criteria.</p> <p>A resolution to confer life membership must be passed at a 'general meeting' with at least five (5) votes in favour. The individual becomes a life member of the Association from the time the resolution is passed at the 'general meeting'.</p> <p>A 'general meeting' of the Association is a meeting of members of the Association convened in accordance with Constitution and includes annual general meetings or special general meetings. The Triathlon Victoria Annual Awards are considered a special general meeting and hence provide the opportunity for the bestowing of Life Membership.</p>
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