



2024

Queensland Touch Football **AWARDS**

Celebrating and showcasing excellence; providing fun, memorable, and inclusive experiences through the great sport of Touch Football.

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1. ABOUT

Queensland Touch Football (QTF) is responsible for the development and growth of Touch Football across the state including the leadership and management of competitions, representative pathways, events, game development and participation.

We strive in all we do to provide *fun, memorable, and inclusive experiences* through the sport of Touch Football. Our aim is to UNITE, INSPIRE and GROW our touch football communities.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of grassroots sporting communities and touch football in Queensland wouldn't be possible without the diligent work of our volunteers – our passionate army of administrators, parents, coaches, officials, fundraisers and supporters who seek to mobilise and grow the game every day.

Re-established in 2022, the Queensland Touch Football Awards celebrate and recognise the achievements of our volunteers, coaches, officials, administrators, affiliates, schools, regions, teams and athletes who have contributed to the growth, development and success of Touch Football in Queensland.





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2. AWARDS CATEGORIES

Volunteer of the Year
Administrator of the Year (Volunteer or Paid)
Large Affiliate of the Year (More than 1500 registered participants^)
Small/Medium Affiliate of the Year (Less than 1500 registered participants^)
Junior Affiliate Coach of the Year
Emerging Affiliate Coach of the Year
Elite Coach of the Year (Regional & State Level)
Junior Referee of the Year
Referee of the Year
Referee Coach of Year (**new in 2024!**)
Community Program of the Year
Community Event of the Year (**new in 2024!**)
Inclusion in Touch Football
Touch Football School of the Year
Junior Representative Team of the Year
Representative Team of the Year
Junior Player of the Year (Male & Female)
Senior Player of the Year (Male & Female)
Open Player of the Year (Male & Female)

3. QTF AWARDS NIGHT

Date: Monday 2 December 2024

Time: 6.00pm for 6.30pm start until late

Venue: RACV Royal Pines Resort, Gold Coast

Cost: Adult \$165, Junior \$150, Table of 10 \$1600 (2 Course Meal). Shortlisted nominees will receive 50% off a second ticket purchased.

Dress Code: Cocktail / Semi-Formal

Purchase Tickets: qldtouch.com.au/qtfawards



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4. NOMINATION PERIOD & DEADLINES

Nomination period for Award Achievements is **1 October 2023** to **31 August 2024** (Please note this will be an 11 month period this year). Future Award Nomination periods will commence **1 September 2024** to **31 August 2025**.

Award Nominations Open: 1 August 2024

Award Nominations Close: 6 September 2024

Shortlisted Nominees Notified: early October 2024

QTF Awards Night: Monday 2 December 2024

5. NOMINATIONS

- Nominations are for achievements from **1 October 2023** to **31 August 2024**.
- Nominations must be submitted by **COB 6 September 2024**.
- Nominations must be submitted through the '[QTF Awards Online Nomination Form](#)'.
- Responses should be no longer than 200 words in length for each criterion or as indicated.
- Nominations must be accompanied by the required documentation to be eligible.
- If submitting a supporting video, it must be no longer than one minute in duration and less than 10MB in size. Please contact QTF for information on submitting a video.
- Include quantifiable evidence where relevant to support your nomination.
- Include at least one print-quality image of the Nominee/ Affiliate/ Program.
- QTF retains the right to add nominations and may cancel a category if insufficient nominations are received.
- QTF may use information provided within the nomination including imagery for publicity purposes and as best practice case studies. This may include traditional and social media as well as email communications for which you assign rights to QTF for this purpose.

Nominations will only be judged on the information provided for each criterion. Additional information can be supplied as supporting documentation.

If assistance is required in submitting your nomination, please contact QTF:

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6. CONFIDENTIALITY

Most of the information submitted as part of your nomination will remain confidential. Judges are required to declare any conflicts of interest and to keep all information they review confidential. The exceptions are:

Any information provided from a third party in support of a nomination

- Written statement or quote
- Video submissions

7. SELECTION PROCESS

A Panel will be established by QTF to select a recipient for each Award and may include QTF Staff, Board and independent representatives with relevant expertise.

Once nominations close, nominees will be shortlisted and the relevant Panel will be provided with all information submitted for each nomination. Panels will evaluate nominations against the Award Criteria and provide to the Queensland Touch Football Board for endorsement ahead of the QTF Awards Night.

8. AWARD PARTNERSHIPS

Become a QTF Award Partner and take advantage of a unique opportunity to leverage your brand, while connecting with a broad range of decision-makers from across the industry. You will also be actively supporting the ongoing growth and development of Touch Football in Queensland!

For more information contact:

QTF Partnerships

E: partnerships@qldtouch.com.au



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9. MAKE SURE YOUR NOMINATION STANDS OUT

IS YOUR NOMINATION ELIGIBLE?

- Read the criteria carefully and make sure you are nominating your person, program, team or organisation in the correct category and that they tick all the criteria boxes.
- Does your organisation sponsor an Award category? If so, you cannot enter that category – but there are eight others you potentially can.
- One person, program, team or organisation may be eligible to enter a number of categories, which is ok – but one size doesn't fit all. Each category needs its own nomination tailored to suit the criteria.

BE PREPARED

Have you got all the information you need to address the criteria? A minimum amount of information is required before your nomination will be considered, so make sure you have it before completing the online nomination form.

A print-quality (hi-res) image must also be supplied. Clearly label each attachment as part of your nomination. **All supporting documents and photos must be emailed to marketing@qldtouch.com.au.**

PROVIDE INFORMATION

- Read the criteria carefully and make sure your information addresses the criteria.
- Where possible, provide information that can be quantified.
- Give as much information as you can in as few words as possible, making sure you highlight points of difference, particularly where your nomination exemplifies excellence and innovation.
- If you can say it in a sentence, do not use a paragraph.

DO NOT ASSUME KNOWLEDGE

The judges will only judge your nomination on the information you provide, do not assume they have prior knowledge. It is important to prioritise what you say, to ensure it is quantifiable (where possible), and to say it succinctly. You can provide more detail in the supporting information.



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AVOID JARGON, GET YOUR SPELLING & GRAMMAR RIGHT

Choose small words over big, bureaucratic ones. Do not repeat yourself, spell out acronyms for complete clarity, and make sure there are no typos or grammatical errors.

SUBMIT SUPPORTING INFORMATION

We encourage you to provide as much supporting information as possible, for example video or written references, survey findings, third party verifiers, and findings verifying outcomes where applicable. This information will be kept confidential.

- If submitting survey findings, make sure you include the scope, methodology and volume of respondents. Any references should also speak to the outcomes achieved.
- If supplying a video, ensure the file is no longer than 1 minute and no bigger than 10MB.

HAVE SOMEONE ELSE READ YOUR NOMINATION PRIOR TO SUBMISSION

Even if you think it's great, it's best to get someone else to read it. If they find it confusing or unclear or full of typos and repetition, there is a good chance the judges will too – and your nomination may not get the consideration it deserves.

10. AWARD CATEGORIES

In 2024, QTF introduced an additional two (2) new Award Categories that recognise our stakeholders and community, though the inclusion of Referee Coach of Year and Community Event of the Year Awards.

There are 19 Award Categories outlined below that celebrate and recognise the achievements of those who have contributed to Touch Football's growth, development, and success in the Nomination Period.



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VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

The strength and passion within our volunteer workforce plays a vital role in sustaining and developing touch football from grassroots through to the high-performance level. This award seeks to recognise the 'all-rounder' whose work has significantly contributed to the growth, development, sustainability, and delivery of touch football within the community during the award period.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be a registered member, Committee, Sub-Committee, or Volunteer; aged over 18 years as of 1 January 2024.
- Be in a Volunteer Position (Unpaid).
 - Does not receive financial reward or incentives (Honorariums & Hobby Payments accepted).
- Have demonstrated alignment with QTF Vision to Unite, Inspire and Grow and Values – Forward Thinking, Stronger Together, Leading with Humility, Passionately Proud, and Fostering Fun.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has demonstrated alignment with Queensland Touch Football's vision to Unite, Inspire and Grow.
- Nominee has demonstrated noteworthy contribution to touch football at affiliate, region or state level for example:
 - Generosity of time, resources and energy
 - Going 'above and beyond'
 - Displays a member centred approach
 - Exhibits Queensland Touch Football's Vision and Values
 - Contributes across a variety of roles and/or activities
 - Positive impact on their community
 - Length of contribution



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ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

This Award recognises an individual (volunteer or paid) who has demonstrated excellence in governance, administration, workforce development and leadership that strengthen and sustain touch football participation. They will have significantly contributed to the growth, development and delivery of the sport and their affiliate.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be an Affiliate administrator (volunteer or paid), aged over 18 years as of 1 January 2024.
- Have demonstrated alignment with QTF's Vision and Values.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Individual has demonstrated noteworthy contribution to touch football in their affiliate, including but not limited to:
 - Generosity of time, resources and energy
 - Going 'above and beyond'
 - Displays a member centred approach
 - Exhibits Queensland Touch Football's Vision and Values
 - Contributes across a variety of roles and/or activities
 - Positive impact on their community
 - Length of contribution



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SMALL-MEDIUM AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR

This award recognises Queensland Touch Football Affiliates that demonstrate excellence in governance, administration, workforce development and leadership that strengthen and sustain touch football participation. The awarded organisation will have significantly contributed to the growth, development and delivery of touch football within the community during the award period.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominated Affiliate must be:

- A Queensland Touch Football Affiliated Association during the award eligibility period.
- Have less than 1,500 individual members registered in MySideline in 2023-24 Participation Census (Season 2 2023 & Season 1 2024).

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has successfully implemented initiatives that support a safe and healthy environment for participation and that contributes to a positive affiliate culture.
- Nominee has positively contributed to their local touch football community, including supporting their teams, clubs (if applicable), referees, other affiliates and Queensland Touch Football.
- Nominee provides development opportunities for players, coaches, officials and administrators through relevant programs and offerings.



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LARGE AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR

This award recognises Queensland Touch Football Affiliates that demonstrate excellence in governance, administration, workforce development and leadership that strengthen and sustain touch football participation. The awarded organisation will have significantly contributed to the growth, development and delivery of touch football within the community during the award period.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominated Affiliate must be:

- A Queensland Touch Football Affiliated Association during the award eligibility period.
- Have more than 1,500 individual members registered in MySideline in MySideline in Participation Census (Season 2 2023 & Season1 2024).

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has successfully implemented initiatives that support a safe and healthy environment for participation and that contributes to a positive affiliate culture.
- Nominee has positively contributed to their local touch football community, including supporting teams, clubs (if applicable), referees, other affiliates and Queensland Touch Football.
- Nominee provides development opportunities for players, coaches, officials and administrators through relevant programs and offerings.





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JUNIOR AFFILIATE COACH OF THE YEAR

The Junior Affiliate Coach of the Year Award is presented to an individual who has coached in QTF Junior Affiliate competitions and QTF Junior Affiliate level event whilst representing their Affiliate. This person may have performed their role as a coach in either a paid or unpaid capacity.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be registered to a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate during the award eligibility period.
- Coached in a Junior Affiliate competition and at a QTF endorsed Junior Affiliate event.
- Hold a current Touch Football Australia coaching accreditation.
- Hold a current Blue Card or Exemption Card (if applicable).

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has demonstrated positive coaching behaviours (e.g. organised practices, positive sideline behaviours) and an alignment to Queensland Touch Football's Vision and Values.
- Nominee displays initiative to improve the standard of their own performance through on-going learning and development.
- Nominee has demonstrated commitment to mentoring and/or developing other coaches within their affiliate and/or region.
- Nominee has created a safe, enjoyable environment which allows for athletes of all abilities to grow in athletic and personal performance.



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EMERGING AFFILIATE COACH OF THE YEAR

The Emerging Affiliate Coach of the Year Award is presented to an individual who has coached in QTF Senior Affiliate competitions and QTF Senior Affiliate level event whilst representing their Affiliate. This person may have performed their role as a coach in either a paid or unpaid capacity.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be registered to a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate during the award eligibility period.
- Coached in a Senior Affiliate competition and at a QTF endorsed Senior Affiliate level event.
- Hold a current Touch Football Australia coaching accreditation.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has demonstrated positive coaching behaviours (e.g. organised practices, positive sideline behaviours) and an alignment to Queensland Touch Footballs vision and values.
- Nominee displays initiative to improve the standard of their own performance through on-going learning and development.
- Nominee has demonstrated commitment to mentoring and/or developing other coaches within their affiliate and/or region.
- Nominee has created a safe, enjoyable environment which allows for athletes of all abilities to grow in athletic and personal performance.



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ELITE COACH OF THE YEAR (REGIONAL/STATE LEVEL)

The Elite Coach of the Year Award is presented to an individual who has coached for Queensland (State of Origin) and/or a QTF Region at TFA National event whilst representing their Region or State. This person may have performed their role as a coach in either a paid or unpaid capacity.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be registered to a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate during the award eligibility period.
- Coached for Queensland (State of Origin) and/or a QTF Regional team at TFA National event.
- Hold a current Touch Football Australia coaching accreditation.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has demonstrated positive coaching behaviours (e.g. organised practices, positive sideline behaviours) and an alignment to Queensland Touch Football's Vision and Values
- Nominee displays initiative to improve the standard of their own performance through on-going learning and development.
- Nominee has demonstrated commitment to mentoring and/or developing other coaches within their affiliate, their region and/or State.
- Nominee has created a safe, enjoyable environment which allows for athletes to reach their highest athletic performance while creating a culture of respect, humility, and honour.



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JUNIOR REFEREE OF THE YEAR

The Junior Referee of the Year Award recognises a junior individual who has excelled in developing and growing their ability as a QTF referee. Their involvement in the sport assists in creating a positive and inclusive environment.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be registered to a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate during the award eligibility period.
- Be 17 or under during the award eligibility period.
- Hold a current Touch Football Australia Referee accreditation.
- Be endorsed by Affiliate and/or Region referee director.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has achieved high levels of performance and an alignment to Queensland Touch Football vision and values.
- Nominee displays initiative to improve the standard of their own performance through on-going learning and development.
- Nominee creates a positive impact on the Queensland Touch Football referee and touch football community, ensuring a positive, supportive and inclusive environment.



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RICK BORG REFEREE OF THE YEAR

The Referee of the Year Award recognises an individual who has demonstrated a high standard of performance as an official and provided support, development and growth to officials. This person may have performed their role as a Referee, Referee Mentor or Referee Panel.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be registered to a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate during the award eligibility period.
- Be 18 or over during the award eligibility period.
- Hold a current Touch Football Australia Referee accreditation.
- Hold a current Blue Card or Exemption Card during the award period (if applicable).
- Be endorsed by Affiliate and/or Region referee director.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has achieved high levels of performance and an alignment to Queensland Touch Football vision and values.
- Nominee has demonstrated commitment to mentoring and/or developing other referees within their affiliate and/or region.
- Nominee displays initiative to improve the standard of their own performance through on-going learning and development.
- Nominee creates a positive impact on the Queensland Touch Football referee and touch football community, ensuring a positive, supportive and inclusive environment.



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REFEREE COACH OF THE YEAR

The Referee Coach of the Year Award recognises an individual who has excelled in providing support, development and growth to officials at Affiliate/School, Region and/or State level. This person may have performed their role as a Referee Coach, Referee Mentor or Referee Panel.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be registered to a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate during the award eligibility period.
- Be 18 or over during the award eligibility period.
- Hold a current Touch Football Australia Referee Coach accreditation.
- Hold a current Blue Card or Exemption Card during the award period (if applicable).
- Be endorsed by Affiliate, Region and/or State Referee Director.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has demonstrated alignment with QTF vision and values – Forward Thinking, Stronger Together, Leading with Humility, Passionately Proud and Fostering Fun.
- Nominee has demonstrated commitment to referee coaching, mentoring and/or developing other referees within their Affiliate/School, Region and/or State.
- Nominee displays initiative to improve their own performance as a referee coach through ongoing learning, development and community engagement.
- Nominee creates a positive impact on the Queensland Touch Football referee and touch football community, ensuring a positive, supportive and inclusive environment.



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COMMUNITY PROGRAM OF THE YEAR

This award recognises an Affiliate, Region, School or Organisation who has developed and/or implemented a community focused program to support the growth and sustainability of touch football in their community.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must be a:

- Queensland Touch Football Affiliate or Region, School or Organisation showcasing a community touch football program during the award eligibility period.
- Administered by a QTF recognised entity during the award eligibility period.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has created/implemented a program in an innovative, creative and/or distinctive way that has made a significant difference in their touch football community.
- Nominee has created/implemented a program which is sustainable, and has proven to increase growth, development and exposure of touch football in their community.
- Nominee has demonstrated a commitment to sharing their learning and insights about the innovative solutions and/practices with others.



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COMMUNITY EVENT OF THE YEAR

This award recognises an Affiliate, Region, School or Organisation who has developed and/or implemented a community focused event that incorporates innovative practices to improve the participant experience, maximises community engagement and positively increases exposure and media profile of touch football in their local community.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must be a:

- Queensland Touch Football Affiliate, Region, School or Organisation showcasing a community touch football event during the award eligibility period.
- Administered by a QTF recognised entity during the award eligibility period.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has created/implemented an event in an innovative, creative and/or distinctive way that has made a significant contribution within their touch football community.
- Nominee has demonstrated a commitment to sharing and exhibiting learnings and insights about the innovative solutions and/practices to improve participant experience.
- Nominee has created/implemented an event which maximises community engagement and positively increases exposure and media profile of touch football in their local community



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INCLUSION IN TOUCH FOOTBALL

This award recognises an Affiliate, Region, School or Organisation that has created inclusive environments to ensure Touch Football is accessible for all and supports opportunities for people in our diverse communities to play, coach, referee and volunteer.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must be a:

- Queensland Touch Football Affiliate or Region, School or Organisation delivering inclusion in touch football during the award eligibility period.
- Administered by a QTF recognised entity during the award eligibility period.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has successfully implemented programs that support an inclusive environment and remove barriers that may prevent people from playing touch football.
- Nominee has influenced change within their community to ensure greater understanding on how touch football can become a more inclusive sport.
- Nominee has demonstrated commitment to collaboration with the broader touch football community, including Queensland Touch Football to support the implementation of inclusive programs/competitions in their community.



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SCHOOL OF THE YEAR

This award recognises the vital contribution schools make to the development and growth of touch football across Queensland. The commitment of schools to attract, nurture, develop and educate participants is paramount to the sustainability of our sport.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must be a:

- Queensland School delivering touch football opportunities during the award eligibility period.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has demonstrated alignment with Queensland Touch Football values and continually shown sportsmanship and fair play both on and off the field.
- Nominee has demonstrated a high level of engagement with Queensland Touch Football including participation in QTF programs and/or competitions, including Regional All Schools, QLD All Schools and/or Sporting Schools.
- Nominee consistently demonstrates positive engagement within their local affiliate touch football community.
- Nominee consistently demonstrates a commitment to the on-going development of all participants involved in the game of touch football.



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JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE TEAM OF THE YEAR

This award recognises a junior representative team who has displayed outstanding performances in the nomination period. This team will have competed at State or National level events, including School pathways.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominated Team must:

- Have competed at National and/or State events, including Schools Championships, during the award eligibility period.
- Be under 18 and below during the award eligibility period.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee must have displayed outstanding performances during the award eligibility period.
 - List of results and placing/position from the relevant competition/event.
 - Significance achievements and accolades.
- Nominee must have conducted themselves in an appropriate manner during all competitions and align with Queensland Touch Football's Vision and Values.



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REPRESENTATIVE TEAM OF THE YEAR

This award recognises an open/senior representative team who has displayed outstanding performances in the nomination period. This team will have competed at National or State level events.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominated Team must:

- Have competed at National and/or State events, during the award eligibility period.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee must have displayed outstanding performances during the award eligibility period.
 - List of results and placing/position from the relevant competition/event.
 - Significance of the achievement in terms of achievements, records achieved.
- Nominee must have conducted themselves in an appropriate manner during all competitions and align with Queensland Touch Football's Vision and Values.



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JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR (MALE & FEMALE)

This award recognises both a male and female Player's outstanding achievements and contributions to touch football in Queensland.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be aged 17 or younger during the award eligibility period.
- Have participated at National Youth and/or QTF State events (State of Origin, Queensland State Cup or Junior State Cup) during the award eligibility period.
- Be registered to and financial with a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has displayed outstanding performances during the award eligibility period.
 - List of results and placing/position from the relevant competition/event.
 - Significant achievements and accolades.
- Nominee must have conducted themselves in an appropriate manner during all competitions and align with Queensland Touch Football's vision and values.
- Nominee has proved to be an appropriate role model both on and off field, is coachable and respected by teammates.
- Nominee encourages others, shows respect to all team members and the opposition, accepts feedback, maintains a positive approach.
- Nominee should have competed in at least two levels/events.



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SENIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR (MALE & FEMALE)

This award recognises both a male and female senior Player's outstanding achievements and contributions to touch football in Queensland.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be competing in 27 years or older age divisions during the award eligibility period.
- Have participated at International, National, State of Origin, and/or Queensland State Cup events during the award eligibility period.
- Be registered to and financial with a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has displayed outstanding performances during the award eligibility period.
 - List of results and placing/position from the relevant competition/event.
 - Significant achievements and accolades.
- Nominee must have conducted themselves in an appropriate manner during all competitions and align with Queensland Touch Football's vision and values.
- Nominee has proved to be an appropriate role model both on and off field, is coachable and respected by teammates.
- Nominee encourages others, shows respect to all team members and the opposition, accepts feedback, maintains a positive approach.
- Nominee should have competed in at least two levels/events.



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OPEN PLAYER OF THE YEAR (MALE & FEMALE)

This award recognises both a male and female Opens Player's outstanding achievements and contributions to touch football in Queensland.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for consideration, the Nominee must:

- Be aged 18 years or older during the award eligibility period.
- Have participated at International, National, State of Origin, and/or Queensland State Cup events during the award eligibility period.
- Be registered to and financial with a Queensland Touch Football Affiliate.

SELECTION CRITERIA

The selection panel will consider the following in assessing and comparing nominations:

- Nominee has displayed outstanding performances during the award eligibility period.
 - List of results and placing/position from the relevant competition/event.
 - Significant achievements and accolades.
- Nominee must have conducted themselves in an appropriate manner during all competitions and align with Queensland Touch Football's vision and values.
- Nominee has proved to be an appropriate role model both on and off field, is coachable and respected by teammates.
- Nominee encourages others, shows respect to all team members and the opposition, accepts feedback, maintains a positive approach.
- Nominee should be involved in at least two levels/events.



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11. RECOGNITION

Congratulations to our previous award recipients.

2023

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Dave Field
Bundaberg Touch Association

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

Therese Gordon
Hounds Graceville Touch Association

LARGE AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR

Redlands Touch Association

SMALL/MEDIUM AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR

Bundaberg Touch Association

JUNIOR AFFILIATE COACH OF THE YEAR

Troy Skinner
Gold Coast Touch Association

EMERGING AFFILIATE COACH OF THE YEAR

Gary Benbow
Rockhampton Touch Association

ELITE COACH OF THE YEAR

Renee Murphy
UQ Rebels Touch Football Association

JUNIOR REFEREE OF THE YEAR

Isabel Watt
Gladstone Junior Touch

RICK BORG REFEREE OF THE YEAR

Campbell Muir
Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association

COMMUNITY PROGRAM OF THE YEAR

CQ Country Cup
Callide Valley Touch Association

INCLUSION IN TOUCH FOOTBALL

Youth In Touch
Bundaberg Touch Association

TOUCH FOOTBALL SCHOOL OF THE YEAR

Beenleigh State High School

JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE TEAM OF THE YEAR

SQBD Sharks 16 Girls
2023 National Youth Championships

REPRESENTATIVE TEAM OF THE YEAR

CQ Bulls Open Men
2023 National Touch League

OPEN MALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Harry Griffin
Rockhampton Touch Association

OPEN FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Tiarni Bryce
UQ Rebels Touch Football Association

SENIOR MALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Troy Skinner
Gold Coast Touch Association

SENIOR FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Jenna Rowsell
Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association

JUNIOR MALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Blaise Prendergast
Toowoomba Touch Association

JUNIOR FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Rhani Hagan
Brisbane Metropolitan Touch Association

QTF SERVICE AWARD

Scott MacAllister



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2022

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Melissa Lonergan
Hounds Graceville Touch
Association

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

Mitch Alexander
Palm Beach Touch Association

LARGE AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR

Brisbane Metropolitan Touch
Association

SMALL/MEDIUM AFFILIATE OF THE YEAR

Hounds Graceville Touch
Association

JUNIOR AFFILIATE COACH OF THE YEAR

Tim Gall
Brisbane Metropolitan Touch
Association

AFFILIATE COACH OF THE YEAR

Renee Murphy
UQ Rebels Touch Football
Association

ELITE COACH OF THE YEAR

Renee Murphy
UQ Rebels Touch Football
Association

JUNIOR REFEREE OF THE YEAR

Ella Grant
Brisbane Metropolitan Touch
Association

RICK BORG REFEREE OF THE YEAR

Brett Freshwater
Brisbane Metropolitan Touch
Association

COMMUNITY PROGRAM OF THE YEAR

Chinchilla Fast 4s
Chinchilla Touch Association

INCLUSION IN TOUCH FOOTBALL

UQ Rebels Touch Football
Association

TOUCH FOOTBALL SCHOOL OF THE YEAR

All Hallows' School

JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE TEAM OF THE YEAR

SWQ Swans 16 Boys
2022 National Youth
Championships

REPRESENTATIVE TEAM OF THE YEAR

SQBD Sharks Women's Open
2022 National Touch League

OPEN MALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Drew Price
Caboolture Touch Football
Association

OPEN FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Catherine Sargent
Caboolture Touch Football
Association

SENIOR MALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Aaron Jones
Gold Coast Touch Association

SENIOR FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Marlie Phillips
Palm Beach Touch Association

JUNIOR MALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Jai Charlton
Gold Coast Touch Association

JUNIOR FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Madeline Mathews
Townsville Touch Football
Association

QTF SERVICE AWARD

Terry McSweeney



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