



TRIATHLON

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**Triathlon Victoria
Annual Awards**

Introduction

The 2017 Triathlon Victoria Annual Awards will be presented at the Triathlon Victoria Awards Breakfast in celebration of the 2016/17 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 (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 of and those who continue this tradition of excellence. In doing so, we call for members to nominate their peers for award recognition.

The Victorian Annual Awards are in alignment with Triathlon Australia's National Awards and Recognition Framework (TANARF) which may be accessed via [their website](#). An excerpt from the Framework defines the broader umbrella of triathlon via the following description *"the sport of triathlon for the purpose of the TANARF shall include: Triathlon, Duathlon, Aquathlon, Cross triathlon, Winter triathlon, Team Relay triathlon, XTerra and Adventure racing and such multisport events as are considered appropriate by Triathlon Australia for inclusion in the awards and recognition process"*.



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Victorian Triathlon State Series Champion (Age Group Awards)

Award Description	The 2016-17 Victorian State Series Champion title is awarded to individuals based on results from selected multisport events across the 2016-17 season.
Eligibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All members of Triathlon Australia (Victoria) are eligible for nomination. • Champion athletes accrue points from racing in State Series races, with the best five performances counted towards an athlete's total score.
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 best five (5) results with no more than two (2) results being from the same event discipline • Best results refers to the basis of points accrual; i.e. results with the highest points value counted towards the overall score. (E.g. An athlete may receive more points for a lower placing in a state championship event than a higher placing in a non-championship event and hence the higher points will be counted rather than the higher placing). • 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 14-15 years, 16-19 years and then progress in five (5) yr. age groups starting from 20 (i.e. 20 – 24 etc.) upwards. All ages are based on the 31st of December 2016. • For individuals to be awarded points they must be a member of an affiliated club/squad (and Triathlon Australia) and hold membership on the date of competing in the event.

Victorian Triathlon State Series Shield

Award Description	The 2016-17 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 2016-17 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 31 March 2017)</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 Australia) and hold membership on the date of competing in the event.</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 eleven 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 but these people are ineligible and points not accrued to any club aggregate. • Participation points will be awarded to the club for each competitor (one point) and technical official (two points) that compete/officiate at State Series events.

Victorian Triathlon Club Performance Award

Award Description	The 2016-17 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 2016-17 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, elite and age group racing. • The Performance Club Award will be calculated from the eleven State Series events with points accumulated by club members. • Points are awarded to the first three placegetters (podium finishers) across junior, youth, elite 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 Australia (Victoria) are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	<p>The Awards committee will liaise with the TVHP committee to compile a list of performances from 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. • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The TVHP committee will submit their selection and ranking (up to 3 individuals – male and female) to the Triathlon Victoria Awards Committee with a recommendation.</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 races, membership types and racing categories.
Eligibility	All members of Triathlon Australia (Victoria) are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for peer nomination whereby any member of Triathlon Australia may nominate a Triathlon Australia (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; • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Awards committee will consider all nominations and select a winner.</p>

Club Coach of the Year Award

Award Description	This Award will recognise accredited Victorian Triathlon Coaches who have demonstrated a commitment and dedication to coaching.
Eligibility	All members of Triathlon Australia (Victoria) are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for peer nomination whereby any member of Triathlon Australia may nominate a Triathlon Australia (Victoria) 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 their athletes and/or club (including specific examples). What will be their legacy for the future? • A description of how the nominee has demonstrated the Triathlon Australia values of Respect, Health, Enjoyment, Belonging, Achievement; • A description of the nominee's most outstanding achievement during the current season and why. • A description of specific coaching achievements outlining any athlete/s performances (include athletes' names, age category, events and result). • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Awards committee will consider all nominations and select a winner.</p>

Age Group Coach of the Year Award

Award Description	This award will recognise individuals who have coached age group triathletes to outstanding achievements in age group competition.
Eligibility	All Triathlon Australia (Victoria) accredited coaches are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	This is part of the Triathlon Australia Awards structure and nominations are taken through a separate process. Nominations for 2016-17 have closed. The winner will be selected by the Awards committee and recommended to the TA Board for ratification and approval.

Technical Official of the Year Award

Award Description	This award is presented annually in recognition of the outstanding contribution of an accredited Triathlon Australia (Victoria) Technical Official.
Eligibility	All Triathlon Australia (Victoria) accredited officials (Level 1, 2, 3 or NTO/ITO categories) are eligible for nomination.
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for peer nomination whereby any accredited Victorian Technical Official may nominate a Triathlon Australia (Victoria) accredited official 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 hence demonstrated service worthy of recognition; • A description of how has the nominee's contribution impacted on the technical program and/or the sport of triathlon as a whole either locally, nationally or internationally during the season. • Any additional information to support the nomination. <p>The Triathlon Victoria Technical Committee will receive the nominations and will submit their selection and ranking/recommendation (up to 3 individuals) to the Triathlon Victoria Awards Committee for ratification/approval.</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 Australia (Victoria) who are also members of an affiliated club are eligible for nomination. <u>Only one nomination per affiliated club will be accepted.</u>
Nomination & Selection	<p>This award is open for club nomination whereby any affiliated club 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 hence demonstrated service worthy of recognition; • A description of how has 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 select a winner.</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 from the categories specified above. Each year the committee will review and discuss the list of candidates within their committee meetings, which may be populated by external nominations.</p> <p>Members of the awards committee will be asked to consider up to 5 individuals from the list who they feel are most deserving of the award and will submit their selection and ranking to the Triathlon Victoria Board with a recommendation for approval.</p>

Life Membership of Triathlon Victoria

Award Description	Each year the Board will call for nominations from Triathlon Victoria members for persons to be considered for life membership and then recommend to the Annual General Meeting. These individuals should be recognised each year at the TVAAD.
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