

Gymnastics Victoria

Sporting Conduct Award

To acknowledge individual achievements demonstrating exemplary sporting conduct and increase the focus on the importance of further developing good conduct within the sport of gymnastics.

Background

Gymnastics Victoria has a key role to play in ensuring that gymnastics is a healthy, welcoming and supportive environment for all community members. GV acknowledges it also has a role to play in supporting development of both sport and wider community standards which instill values of respect and fair play. This latter role has recently been acknowledged by Sport and Recreation Victoria through implementation of the Victorian Code of Conduct for Community Sport.

It is critical that GV establish environments that are healthy and inclusive of individual involvement, regardless of age, gender, skill level, religion or cultural background.

To assist the development of this culture, Vicsport in partnership with VicHealth has established an awards program recognising and rewarding exemplar role models who demonstrate outstanding sportsmanship in both attitudes and behaviours. Gymnastics Victoria has chosen to support this and by offering this GV award, the winner will automatically be entered into the VicHealth Lindsay Gaze Sporting Conduct Award as the GV nominee.

The four Finalists in the VicHealth Lindsay Gaze Sporting Conduct Awards will each receive \$1,000 with an additional \$1,000 being awarded to their nominated club.

The VicHealth Lindsay Gaze Sporting Conduct awards will be structured as follows:

The winner will receive the State VicHealth Gaze Sporting Conduct Award and will also receive \$1,000 with an additional \$4,000 being awarded to their nominated club.

Nomination Process

Nominations for the inaugural Gymnastics Victoria Sporting Conduct Awards will close on **July 29, 2011**.

A nominee may be a gymnast/athlete, coach, official or administrator. In addition:

- Only one nomination per club will be accepted.
- Nominations must address all criteria points. Incomplete nominations will not be accepted.
- Detailed information should be provided regarding the nominee's performance and/or achievements which occurred between July 2010 and October 2011.
- Only information included within the nomination form and supporting material will be used by the selection committee.
- Total pages including supporting material should not exceed four A4 pages in total.
- Two jpeg photographs (preferably in sporting context) must be included with each nomination for use in promotion material and the awards presentation.
- Please ensure and confirm that copyright ownership is held for images provided.

Criteria

Nominated individuals must be able to demonstrate:

- operating within the rules and spirit of their sport, and promoting fair play over winning at 'any cost' encouraging and supporting opportunities for people to learn appropriate behaviours and skills,
- supporting opportunities for participation in all aspects & levels of the sport,
- treating every person as an individual,
- displaying control and courtesy,
- respecting the rights and worth of every person regardless of their gender, ability, cultural background or religion,
- respecting the decisions of all of those involved in the delivery of their sport including officials, coaches and administrators,
- adopting appropriate and responsible behaviour in all interactions,
- adopting responsible behaviour in relation to alcohol, tobacco use, healthy eating and other drugs,
- acting with integrity, honesty and objectivity, and accepting responsibility for their own decisions and actions,
- ensuring their decisions and actions contribute to a safe and harassment free environment,
- by their deeds, assisting in another's improvement,
- not tolerating harmful or abusive behaviours,
- acting in good faith and in the best interests of the sport as a whole,
- conducting their responsibilities with due care, competence and diligence,
- not allowing prejudice, conflict of interest or bias to affect their objectivity and decision making.