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# 2023 Community Sport Champion and Volunteer

# 1. Who Can Nominate?

SportWest Member organisations can nominate individuals from the WA sporting community, recognising outstanding performances in social/community sport level participation. The recognition through the Rebel Community Sport Champion is for on-field performances through out the four seasons of the year. For the first time in 2023, there will also be a separate category to acknowledge the contribution of volunteers through the Rebel Community Sport Volunteer of the Season.

Clubs will also be able to directly nominate individuals, however clubs must also have the endorsement of a SportWest Member organisation for the entry to be eligible and considered by the selection panel. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED VIA A SPORTWEST MEMBER ORGANISATION or with their direct endorsement. Nominations not received by a SportWest Member or with their endorsement will not be considered.

All nominations should include a photo of the nominated person/s with approval for SportWest to use the image for the purposes of promoting their achievements, participation in community sport and in communicating the broader value of sport to communities across Western Australia.

# 2. Criteria for Nomination

#### Volunteer of the Season

Individuals can be nominated for their contribution/s volunteering in WA community sport and may include, but not limited to:

- All performances during the season or the match/event of note should be included.
- The performance(s) must take place in competitions and/or events endorsed by, affiliated with or delivered by a SportWest Member organisation.
- Outstanding contributions to various aspects of club activities and operations are able to be considered, including outstanding service to an event or club operations by volunteers at the community sport level.
- The role of volunteers with Western Australian State teams competing in National Championships can also be considered for the Rebel Community Sport Volunteer of the Season Award.

#### Champion of the Season

Individuals can be nominated for their efforts at **performance in WA community sport** and may include, but not limited to:

- An excellent performance or performances in the context of the level of the sport (eg a third grade cricketer taking five wickets would be considered in the same light as a Test cricketer taking five wickets).
- All performances during the three-month period or the match/event of note should be included.
- The performance(s) must take place in competitions and/or events endorsed by, affiliated with or delivered by a SportWest Member organisation.
- This category recognises the on-field performances during the three-month period for which the nomination is received.
- Any performances at a representative level of participation are not eligible for consideration, including with National teams, State teams competing in national championship events and athletes competing in professional/elite competitions.

# 3. How to Nominate

Nominations for Spring 2023 are to be lodged by COB Monday 18 December 2023.

Nominations are to be lodged using the Online nomination form. If you have any issues with your nominations form, please contact the SportWest team via email at info@sportwest.com.au

All nominations are to be accompanied by a photo of the nominee with approval for public use by SportWest for promotional purposes of this award, promoting the support of Rebel Sport for community sport in Western Australia.

# 4. Nomination Period

The nomination period will be based on the four seasonal months of the year as listed below. Summer | December 1 – February 29 Autumn | March 1 – May 31 Winter | June 1 – August 31 Spring | September 1 – November 30

# 5. Selection

SportWest will assess the nominated candidates from the pool received each month and notify the winner/s of the Rebel Community Sport Volunteer and Champion of the Month.

# 6. Promotion

The Rebel Community Sport Volunteer and Champion of the Month will each receive a \$200 Rebel Gift Card, or the value may be shared where there is more than one winner in any given month. Where possible, the winner will meet at their local Rebel store to receive their prize and for photo opportunities.

SportWest will promote the monthly winner through digital platforms.