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**CBR**  
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AWARDS

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# ACT GOVERNMENT MESSAGE

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It has been a challenging year for our community and sport within it – bushfire smoke, hail and a pandemic have challenged us like never before. In saying this, great results, stories and some fantastic outcomes have still emerged in Canberra sport – this gives us more than enough reason to recognise and again celebrate the CBR Sport Awards.

However, seemingly like everything else in this crazy year, the 2020 CBR Sport Awards will be a little different, with the decision made to not hold the annual gala event which was scheduled for early December. Instead, we will be taking a different approach to announcing our finalists and winners and we look forward to sharing details of this soon.

At this time we encourage you to pause and reflect on all that has been achieved this year (somewhat against the odds!) and consider a nomination to this year's awards, including the Minister's Awards for Excellence. Nominations are now open and close on Monday 2 November 2020.

There will be no inductions made to the ACT Sports Hall of Fame in 2020, holding further inductions over to next year when I hope that we can again congregate in person and celebrate these very special contributions.

We look forward to you being part of the CBR Sport Awards in 2020.

**REBECCA KELLEY**  
EXECUTIVE BRANCH MANAGER  
SPORT AND RECREATION







**WELCOME  
TO THE 2020  
CBR SPORT  
AWARDS**

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THE ACT GOVERNMENT  
IS PROUD TO PRESENT

## THE 2020 CBR SPORT AWARDS

The Awards will celebrate the outstanding achievements of Canberra's top athletes and teams, while also recognising those behind-the-scenes special contributors that make our local sporting community so great.

The format for the CBR Sport Awards will include nine award categories

The Awards will recognise not only excellence at an individual and team level, but innovative and inclusive practices within our community clubs, as well as outstanding event management.

The CBR Sport Awards promises to be a fantastic celebration of our city's proud sporting culture, its champions and quiet achievers, and the passion Canberrans bring as players and supporters to their favourite sports.



# CATEGORIES AND SELECTION CRITERIA

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There are nine categories in the CBR Sport Awards. Each Award category will have up to three finalists but only one winner.

Each category will have its selection criteria addressed in detail and available for download on the CBR Sport Awards website when nominations open. The categories in the Awards are:

Athlete of the Year – Men's Sport

Athlete of the Year – Women's Sport

Athlete of the Year – Para-Sport

Rising Star

Team of the Year

Outstanding Service to Sport

Minister for Sport and Recreation's Award for Inclusion

Minister for Sport and Recreation's Award for Innovation

Minister for Sport and Recreation's Award for Event Excellence

## **ATHLETE OF THE YEAR - MEN'S SPORT**

## **ATHLETE OF THE YEAR - WOMEN'S SPORT**

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These two awards represent the pinnacle of excellence for men's and women's sport in the ACT.

These prestigious awards will be presented to individuals who have attained a level of sporting excellence greater than others, or whose performance has been so exceptional that their achievements have identified them as being clearly outstanding from other athletes.

Nominee performances must be of such a standard of excellence, and achieved in an arena competitive enough, to warrant the athlete receiving this award.

## **ATHLETE OF THE YEAR - PARA-SPORT**

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The Athlete of the Year – Para-Sport will be awarded to an individual athlete with a disability who has attained a level of sporting excellence greater than their peers, or whose performance has been so exceptional that their achievements have identified them as being clearly outstanding when compared to their peers.

Nominee performances must be of such a standard of excellence, and achieved in an arena competitive enough, to warrant them receiving this award.

The Athlete of the Year – Para-Sport will automatically be considered for Athlete of the Year. They will be assessed on comparative merit.

## **RISING STAR**

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The Rising Star Award will recognize a high achieving, up and coming junior athlete in the Canberra sporting community. This award will be presented to a young athlete who has attained a level of excellence greater than that achieved by their peers during the year, either at national or international competition, complimented by success in other areas of their life.

The Rising Star performance must be of such a standard of excellence and achieved in an arena competitive enough to truly warrant them becoming the recipient of this award.

## TEAM OF THE YEAR

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This award will go to the team that has achieved a level of excellence greater than other teams, or whose performance has been so exceptional that its achievements have identified it as being clearly outstanding when compared to other teams.

Nominee performances must be of such a standard of excellence, and achieved in an arena competitive enough, to warrant the team receiving this award.

## OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO SPORT

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The Outstanding Service to Sport will be awarded to an individual who has made a significant contribution to a particular project, activity or outcome within their individual club, organisation or, in some cases, their sport more broadly. As a result of the nominee's contribution to this project, activity or outcome their individual club or organisation will have benefited, and they will have set such high standards as to set themselves apart from their peers, so as to warrant them being the recipient of this award.

The Outstanding Service to Sport Award acknowledges the vital role of coaches, officials, administrators and volunteers at both elite and community sport in the ACT. They are the coaches, the umpires, the scorers, the committee members, the team managers, the first aid and sports medicine support and more, recognising that a single person often fills multiple roles.

## MINISTER FOR SPORT AND RECREATION'S AWARD FOR INNOVATION

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This award, which includes a cash prize of \$3000, will be presented to a local sporting organisation or club that has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to innovative practices aimed at improving accessibility to their sport, enhancing sustainability, promoting their activities and/or increasing physical activity participation. As a result of this commitment, they will have set such standards of excellence as to set themselves apart from their peers, and warrant receiving the award.

ACT peak sporting organisations, local associations and clubs may nominate themselves—or an affiliate—for this award.

## **MINISTER FOR SPORT AND RECREATION'S AWARD FOR EVENT EXCELLENCE**

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This award, which includes a cash prize of \$3000, will be presented to a local sporting organisation or club that has demonstrated an outstanding achievement in the delivery of a sporting event, or series of events, in the year of nomination.

The recipient of this award will, above all, have set itself apart because of the impact of the event on the organisation's business, high standard of delivery and the resounding overall success of the event(s). This award is not only about 'big ticket' events, but the many smaller ones that help make Canberra Australia's sporting capital.

## **MINISTER FOR SPORT AND RECREATION'S AWARD FOR INCLUSION**

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This award, which includes a cash prize of \$3000, will be presented to a local sporting organisation or club that has demonstrated an outstanding commitment to the principles of inclusion and diversity in their sport, within the year of nomination.

As a result of this commitment, they will have set such standards of excellence as to set themselves apart from their peers, and warrant receiving the award.

ACT peak sporting organisations, local associations and clubs may nominate themselves—or an affiliate—for this award.

## SELECTION COMMITTEE

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The Selection Committee for the Awards will comprise 9 people who have broad experience in elite and/or community sport.

The 3 Minister's Awards will be assessed by the ACT Government and shortlisted for final selection by the Minister for Sport and Recreation.

Nominees for the 2020 CBR Sport Awards will be assessed on their performance from one Award period to the next e.g. against the selection criteria.

## NOMINATIONS

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Nominations for 2020 will open on Monday 28 September and close on Monday 2 November. Athlete performance must fall within the period 8 October 2019 to 2 November 2020.

Finalists will be announced on Wednesday 25 November with winners announced during the week beginning Monday 7 December

There will be no People's Sporting Champion for 2020, and no inductions into the ACT Sport Hall of Fame for this year.

## WHO CAN NOMINATE?

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**ACT peak sporting organisations, local associations and clubs may put forward nominations for the following awards:**

- Athlete of the Year – Men's Sport
- Athlete of the Year – Women's Sport
- Athlete of the Year – Para-Sport
- Rising Star
- Team of the Year
- Outstanding Service to Sport

**ACT peak sporting organisations, local associations and clubs may nominate individuals or organisations – including affiliates – for:**

- Minister for Sport and Recreation's Award for Inclusion
- Minister for Sport and Recreation's Award for Innovation
- Minister for Sport and Recreation's Award for Event Excellence.

## SUBMITTING YOUR NOMINATION

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To submit your nomination please refer to the relevant category on the Awards website. You will be able to download the selection criteria via the links available for each category.

Once you are certain your candidate meets the selection criteria, you need

to enter the nomination via the Awards website along with any supporting information requested.

For further information please go to the CBR Sport Awards website at [cbrsportawards.com.au](http://cbrsportawards.com.au) once nominations open.

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## LEGACY OF THE AWARDS

The CBR Sport Awards are Canberra's official and premier sporting awards. They are built on credibility, integrity and transparency.

The Awards will further build the profile of Canberra's sporting prowess and create an event our city loves to celebrate. These Awards offer kudos to both sports and athletes by creating some lasting legacies that help them celebrate and promote their success within the sport, publicly and with sponsors.

To achieve this, winners will receive permission to use the CBR Sport Awards logo on company stationery and promotional material.

The CBR Sport Awards will celebrate the widely-held love of sport in Canberra, and honour those athletes who uphold the qualities we all expect on and off the sporting field.





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