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2007/08 Awards of Excellence

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Summary	Details the Surf Life Saving New South Wales 2007/08 Awards of Excellence categories and selection criteria.
Objective	To recognise outstanding achievements and contributions from Surf Life Saving New South Wales members, Clubs and Branches in the 2007/08 season.
Action	Members, Clubs and Branches are invited to submit nominations for the following categories by Wednesday 9 April 2008 .

Nominations are invited for the Surf Life Saving New South Wales Awards of Excellence, recognising outstanding achievements and contributions of members, Clubs and Branches in the 2007/08 season.

Presentation of the awards will be at the Surf Life Saving New South Wales Awards of Excellence function on 3 May 2008.

All nominations are to be endorsed by respective Clubs and Branches and forwarded to Surf Life Saving New South Wales by Wednesday 9 April 2008.

Please attention nominations to;
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Please note:

- Surf Life Saving New South Wales State event's, team's, person's or employee's will NOT be considered for nomination for these awards. Nominations should include achievements in the 2007/08 surf lifesaving season (May 2007 to April 2008) only.
- SLSNSW has the right to nominate candidates.
- Nominations and supporting material will **not** be returned after judging is complete.
- Please avoid use of presentation folders as nominations will be copied for judging purposes.



Awards of Excellence category and criteria:

Below are the award categories, selection criteria and nomination form. It should be noted that documentation accompanying the nomination form should be limited to a **maximum of five (5) A4 pages**.

- **Administrator of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member

Selection Criteria

Outstanding conduct of administration of a branch and/or club and/or activity. Please note that no salaried administrator will be considered for this award. Detail activities, improvements and any projects.

- **Assessor of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member
2. Must hold current SLSA Assessor Awards

Selection Criteria

Outstanding delivery of consistently high quality assessments, whilst adhering to SLSNSW guidelines. Detail assessing activities, continuous improvements and professional development.

- **Athlete of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member

Selection Criteria

Outstanding achievement(s) in respect to surf sports competition at an international and/or national and/or state and/or branch level. Detail achievements in major competitions, participation in representative teams and development programs.

- **Branch of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be affiliated with SLSNSW

Selection Criteria

This award is based on one or more outstanding initiatives or programs developed and conducted by a Branch. Detail initiatives, programs, improvements and major achievements.

- **Coach of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member
2. Must be a current SLSA accredited coach

Selection Criteria

Outstanding lifesaving coaching performances with athletes at an international and/or national and/or state and/or branch level. Detail athletes performance and participation in coaching development/promotion.

- **Community Education Program of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be delivered by an organisation affiliated with SLSNSW or by a current SLSA member.

Selection Criteria

Outstanding organisation and conduct of a community education program which promotes surf lifesaving. This may be any form of general community education or target specific community education for example multicultural, schools, disabled, corporate etc. Detail the program, participation and promotion.

- **Competition Official of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member
2. Must be a current SLSA accredited official

Selection Criteria

Outstanding achievement(s) in respect to lifesaving officiating at an international and/or national and/or state and/or branch level. Details officiating roles and participation in officiating development/promotion.

- **Country Athlete of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member of a country club

Selection Criteria

Outstanding achievement(s) in respect to lifesaving performances at an international and/or national and/or state and/or branch level by a member of a country club. Detail achievements in major competitions, participation in representative teams and development programs.

- **Country Event of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be delivered by a country organisation affiliated with SLSNSW

Selection Criteria

Outstanding organisation and conduct of a major lifesaving or sporting event by a country branch or club which promotes surf lifesaving. Detail the event, participation and promotion.

- **Event of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be delivered by an organisation affiliated with SLSNSW

Selection Criteria

Outstanding organisation and conduct of a major lifesaving or sporting event which promotes surf lifesaving. Detail the event, participation and promotion.

- **Facilitator of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member
2. Must hold current SLSA facilitator awards

Selection Criteria

Ongoing delivery of consistently high quality training and assessment, whilst adhering to SLSNSW guidelines. An exceptional ability to transfer vital lifesaving experience, knowledge and skills. Detail training and assessing activities, continuous improvements and professional development.

- **Junior Athlete of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member

Selection Criteria

Outstanding achievement(s) in respect to lifesaving performances at an international and/or national and/or state and/or branch level by a member between the age levels of U8 – U15 inclusive. Detail achievements in major competitions, participation in representative teams and development programs.

- **Masters Athlete of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a current SLSA member

Selection Criteria

Outstanding achievement(s) in respect to lifesaving performances at an international and/or national and/or state and/or branch level. The age level for masters is 30 years of age and older. (As defined in current SLSA Competition Manual). Detail achievements in major competitions, participation in representative teams and development programs.

- **Outstanding Media Service to Surf Life Saving**

Selection Criteria

Outstanding contribution to the wider coverage of surf lifesaving in NSW. This can be achieved by a journalist, publication, program, station, etc. Detail media coverage and any other forms of engagement with SLS. Please attach samples of support material.

- **Team of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. All individuals must be current SLSA members

Selection Criteria

Outstanding achievement(s) by a team in respect to lifesaving performances at an international and/or national and/or state and/or branch level eg. R & R, Boat Crew, Board Rescue, Patrol. Detail achievements in major competitions, participation in representative teams and development programs.

- **Training Officer of the Year**

Essential Criteria

1. Must be a SLSA member
2. Must hold current SLSA training officer awards

Selection Criteria

Ongoing delivery of consistently high quality training whilst adhering to SLSNSW guidelines. An exceptional ability to transfer vital lifesaving experience, knowledge and skills. Detail training activities, continuous improvement and professional development.

SURF LIFE SAVING NSW AWARDS OF EXCELLENCE PREVIOUS WINNERS

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Wilson Cregan, Far North Coast
2001/02 Keith Caldwell, Bulli SLSC
2002/03 Yvette Rutherford, South Maroubra SLSC
2003/04 Allan Hanson, Cronulla SLSC
2004/05 Stephan Frawely Elouera SLSC &
Trish Newton Sydney Northern Beaches
2005/06 Stephen Jones, Nowra-Culburra SLSC
2006/07 Rod McDonagh, South West Rocks SLSC

ASSESSOR OF THE YEAR

2004/05 Gerald Davies, Illawarra
2005/06 Michael Bretherton, Garie SLSC
2006/07 Jayme Smith, North Bondi SLSC

ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Jeremy Cotter, Queenscliff SLSC
2001/02 Kate McNamara, Wamberal SLSC
2002/03 Amanda White, Terrigal SLSC
2003/04 Amanda White, Terrigal SLSC
2004/05 Nathan Smith, Cronulla SLSC
2005/06 Matthew Freeman, Bulli SLSC
2001/02 Naomi Flood, Queenscliff SLSC
2002/03 Christopher Allum, Wanda SLSC
2003/04 Brooke Fletcher, Avoca Beach SLSC
2004/05 Christopher Allum Cronulla SLSC
2005/06 Tim Schofield, Terrigal SLSC
2006/07 Christopher Allum, Cronulla SLSC

BRANCH OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Far South Coast
2001/02 Hunter
2002/03 Sydney Northern Beaches
2003/04 Central Coast
2004/05 Sydney Northern Beaches
2005/06 Sydney Northern Beaches
2006/07 Lower North Coast

COACH OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Jeff Mowbray, Swansea Belmont SLSC
2001/02 Michael Dehaan, Cronulla SLSC
2002/03 Paul Broadbent, Terrigal SLSC
2003/04 Martin Smith, Warilla Barrack Point SLSC
2004/05 Glenn Beveridge, Mollymook SLSC
2005/06 Paul Broadbent, Terrigal SLSC
2006/07 Kevin Neilson, Cronulla SLSC

COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM OF THE YEAR

2002/03 "Surf Fun Safe Day" Program, Hunter
2003/04 Beachsmart Interactive Program, Hunter
2004/05 Community Education South Coast
2005/06 Surf Life Saving School, Sydney Northern Beaches
2006/07 Community Education Program, Central Coast

COMPETITION OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Jeff Hewitt, Sydney Northern Beaches
2001/02 Gary Cook, Sydney Northern Beaches
2002/03 David Thompson, Central Coast
2003/04 Grahame Evans, Sydney
2004/05 Gary Cook, Sydney Northern Beaches
2005/06 Jeff Mowbray, Hunter
2006/07 Ken Sellers, Central Coast

COUNTRY ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

2002/03 Melissa Howard, Mollymook SLSC
2003/04 David Smith, Warilla Barrack Point SLSC
2004/05 Ashlee Cheney, Mollymook SLSC
2005/06 Melissa Howard, Mollymook SLSC
2006/07 Jacob Lollback, Yamba SLSC

COUNTRY EVENT OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Captain Christie Ocean Swim, Gerringong SLSC
2001/02 NSW Country Energy Champs, Mollymook SLSC
2002/03 Youth Leadership Camp, Far South Coast
2003/04 Telstra Countrywide George Bass Marathon Series, Far South Coast

2005/06 Interstate Surf Craft Carnival, Coffs Harbour SLSC
2006/07 Junior Leadership Development Camp, Lower North Coast

EXAMINER OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Glenn Langley, Sydney Northern Beaches
2001/02 Phil Spicer, Lower North Coast
2002/03 Marianne Troop, Sydney Northern Beaches
2003/04 Barry Dundas, Sydney
2004/05 Award replaced with Assessor of the Year

EVENT OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Operation Olympus, Sydney
2001/02 Cronulla Shark Island Swim, Cronulla SLSC
2002/03 Sydney Water Surf Club Premiership, Illawarra & South Coast
2003/04 Mingarra School Surf Challenge, Central Coast
2004/05 Australia Day Rookie Rescue Challenge Illawarra
2005/06 Australia Day Rookie Rescue Challenge, Illawarra
2006/07 Centenary Celebrations Display, Illawarra

FACILITATOR OF THE YEAR

2005/06 Stephen Leahy, Coogee SLSC
2006/07 Mick Bretherton, Garie SLSC

JUNIOR ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Adam Wood, Coffs Harbour SLSC
2001/02 Naomi Flood, Queenscliff SLSC
2002/03 Christopher Allum, Wanda SLSC
2003/04 Brooke Fletcher, Avoca Beach SLSC
2004/05 Christopher Allum, Cronulla SLSC
2005/06 Tim Schofield, Terrigal SLSC
2006/07 Tom Fraser-Holmes, Manly LSC

MASTERS ATHLETE OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Doug Iredale, Wanda SLSC
2001/02 Sue Kearney, Queenscliff SLSC
2002/03 Paul Lemmon, Wamberal SLSC
2003/04 Paul Lemmon, Terrigal SLSC
2004/05 Robyn Vujicic, Mona Vale SLSC
2005/06 Paul Lemmon, Terrigal SLSC
2006/07 Noelene Young, Blackhead SLSC

OUTSTANDING MEDIA SERVICE TO SURF LIFE SAVING

2000/01 Central Coast Express Advocate
2001/02 Merimbula News Weekly
2002/03 Central Coast Express Advocate
2003/04 NBN Television
2004/05 Prime
2005/06 Central Coast Express Advocate
2006/07 Manning River Times

TEAM OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Ladies IRB Team, Blackhead SLSC
2001/02 Open Womens Beach Relay Team, Mollymook SLSC
2002/03 Under 21 March Past Team, Sawtell SLSC
2003/04 Under 21 Boat Crew, Freshwater SLSC
2004/05 Under 19 Ski Relay Team, Byron Bay SLSC
2005/06 Under 15 Male Board Relay, Terrigal SLSC
2006/07 'Zenith' Open Female Surf Boat, Avoca Beach SLSC

TRAINING OFFICER OF THE YEAR

2000/01 Tony Shaw, Pambula SLSC
2001/02 John Allsop, North Bondi SLSC
2002/03 Jeff Rodway, Redhead SLSC
2003/04 Barry Antella, Queenscliff SLSC
2004/05 Andrew Robson, Long Reef SLSC
2005/06 Mathew Smith, Swansea Belmont SLSC
2006/07 Sandy Menzies, Newport SLSC