



Guideline and Procedures for Ipswich Hockey Awards

- Barry Dancer Excellence Award
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- Paul Mantell Volunteer of the Year
- Junior Players of the Year
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❖ Barry Dancer/Amy Korner Excellence Awards

RATIONALE:

To recognise excellence and contributions in all aspects of hockey including celebrating the achievements of an individual; their on-field personal performance as well as their contribution and commitment to Ipswich Hockey, both on-field and in the off-field work they do for their club and the Ipswich Hockey Community.

To be eligible for the award a player must, during the current season

- play in Ipswich Hockey local fixtures
- have played representative hockey for Ipswich Hockey at either the Open Championships or the Super League Tournament.

Nomination Criteria:

1. Personal Performance
 - Performance at the local level as well as receiving higher honours through State Teams etc.
2. Commitment to Ipswich Hockey Association
 - Through their participation in local fixtures
3. Commitment to Ipswich Hockey Association Representative commitments
 - Through their participation at the Open Championships &/or Super League Competition
4. Leadership Qualities
 - Being recognized as a leader both on and off the field
5. Work within the Ipswich Hockey Community
 - Assisting the RCD with Development Program
 - Assisting with conducting school based programs
 - Coaching representative teams
 - Other volunteer roles undertaken
6. Work within their Club
 - Taking on an Executive role within a club affiliated with Ipswich Hockey
 - Assisting with Hook in2 Hockey, or similar programs
 - Coaching a club team
 - Other volunteer roles undertaken
7. Positive Role Model in the Ipswich Hockey Community
 - Earning the respect of others within the Community by their engagement in the above criteria.

Selection Panel:

- The Selection Panel will consist of:
 - IHA President
 - IHA Senior Vice President
 - RCD
- The RCD will coordinate and manage the selection process

Selection Process:

- The RCD will consult widely to source suitable nominations for the award
- Those consulted will include the Open Team Coach & Selectors, the South West Zone Super League team Coach & Selectors and any others as appropriate

- The RCD will then contact the clubs of those players nominated, requesting information on the contribution the player makes to their club
- The RCD will compile all the information sourced and then convene a meeting of the Selection Panel to consider all the information and select the 3 finalists per award as well as the winner
- The decision of the Selection Panel will be final.

Additional:

- Players who have faced the Judiciary during the season and been found guilty are ineligible to win these awards
- Adverse reports on player behaviour and any breaches of IHA's Codes of Conduct etc. while representing IHA during the season will deem the player/s ineligible

❖ Masters Excellence Award

RATIONALE:

To recognise and acknowledge the significant contribution made to Masters Hockey in Ipswich by an individual; both through their on-field contribution and their off-field service to Ipswich Masters Hockey. This award is not necessarily based on only the current season; this award can be awarded to an individual for contributions over a number of years.

Selection Panel:

- The Selection Panel will consist of:
 - IHA President
 - IHA Senior Vice President
 - RCD
- The RCD will coordinate and manage the selection process

Selection Process:

- The RCD will contact consult widely to source nominations for the award
- Those consulted will include the Coaches and Selectors of Ipswich Masters teams as well as those involved with the organisation of Ipswich Masters Rep teams
- The RCD may then source additional information on any nominee from any other source felt appropriate
- The RCD will compile all the information sourced and then convene a meeting of the Selection Panel to consider all the information and select the 3 finalists as well as the winner

Additional:

- This award is open to those involved with both men & women's Masters Hockey, with a single winner from Masters Hockey each year.

Paul Mantell Volunteer of the Year

RATIONALE:

To recognise and acknowledge the significant contribution made to Ipswich Hockey through outstanding voluntary service and assistance to Ipswich Hockey. This award will generally be based on the current season's contribution, however an individual's contributions over a number of seasons can be taken into account when finalising this award.

Selection Panel:

- The Selection Panel will consist of:
 - IHA President
 - IHA Senior Vice President
 - Paul Mantell
- The Senior Vice-President will coordinate and manage the selection process

Selection Process:

- The Senior VP will call for nominations from clubs/sub committees etc.
- Nominations should outline in detail the contribution made by the person being nominated
- The Snr VP may then source additional information on any nominee from any other source felt appropriate
- The Snr VP will compile all the information sourced and then convene a meeting of the Selection Panel to consider all the information and select the 3 finalists as well as the winner

Additional:

❖ Junior Players of the Year (male & female)

RATIONALE:

To recognise and celebrate the achievements of an individual; their on-field personal performance as well as their contribution and commitment to their team, the assistance they give to the team's coaching staff as well as their leadership and the example they set for others.

To be eligible for the award a player must, during the current season

- play in Ipswich Hockey local fixtures
- have played representative hockey for Ipswich at either the Under 13 or Under 15 State Championships

Nomination Criteria:

1. Overall on-field performance
 - Performance at the local level as well as receiving higher honours through State Teams etc.
2. Leadership - both on and off the field
 - Demonstrated during games, at training and whenever the team is together
3. Attitude, co-operation and assistance given to coaching staff and other team management
 - Demonstrated whenever the team is together, on the bench during games etc.

4. Commitment to training
 - Demonstrated by their attendance record and effort during training sessions
5. Commitment and assistance at other activities
 - Demonstrated at fundraising BBQ's etc.

Selection Panel:

- The Selection Panel will consist of:
 - IHA President
 - IHA Senior Vice President
 - RCD
- The RCD will coordinate and manage the selection process

Selection Process:

- The RCD will contact consult widely to source nominations for the award
- Those consulted will include the Coaches, Managers and Selectors of all Ipswich Under 13 & Under 15 Rep teams
- The RCD may then source additional information on any nominee from any other source felt appropriate e.g. a nominee's club
- The RCD will compile all the information sourced and then convene a meeting of the Selection Panel to consider all the information and select the 5 or 6 finalists per award as well as the winners and runners-up

Additional:

- Adverse reports on player behaviour and any breaches of IHA's Codes of Conduct etc. while representing IHA will deem the player/s ineligible

❖ Team of the Year

RATIONALE:

To recognise and celebrate the achievements of a club team, junior or senior; their on-field achievements as well as the sportsmanship they display throughout the regular season.

Selection Panel:

- The Selection Panel will consist of:
 - IHA President
 - IHA Senior Vice President
 - RCD
 - Records Secretary
- The Records Secretary will coordinate and manage the selection process

Selection Process:

- The Records Secretary will review the match results for the season and will award three (3) points to teams that:
 - are mid-season trophy winners
 - are minor premiers
 - are undefeated (have not lost a game)
- The Records Secretary will also compile, for those teams in contention for the award, the following:
 - Goals For, Goals Against, Goal Difference

- number of drawn games, if any, disregarding any that were washouts
- At the end of normal fixtures, the Records Secretary will compile all the information to arrive at a list of finalists for the award.
- In deciding the winner, the Selection Panel will consider all information members have been able to source on the sportsmanship displayed by these teams and their supporters. This information could be sourced from umpires, other teams' officials, supporters and spectators etc.
- **While the points awarded above will determine the finalists, the decision of the winner will be heavily impacted by the sportsmanship shown by each of the finalists.**

❖ Senior Players of the Year

- Points (3, 2 & 1) are allocated throughout the regular season's fixtures by either the opposing team, a player's own team or any other method as determined by the Management Committee.
- Votes are tallied prior to the beginning of the finals and the player from each team in the grade with the highest points will be the finalist from that team.
- The Player of the Year for each senior grade will be the player with the highest number of points in the grade.