



National Awards Scheme 2019/2020

Introduction

Table Tennis Ireland may make a number of awards each season for a range of achievements recorded by individual affiliated members, provided individuals of sufficient merit are nominated. The Awards Committee reserves the right to nominate on behalf of Table Tennis Ireland.

Criteria

All nominees must be affiliated to Table Tennis Ireland and be in good standing.

Awards

1. **Joe Veselsky Award:** awarded in recognition of endeavour and achievement in administration; only members over 35 years of age who have served a minimum of 5 years in administrative positions within table tennis are eligible for consideration.
2. **Senior Male Player of the Year Trophy:** awarded to the best male senior player of the season.
3. **Senior Female Player of the Year Trophy:** awarded to the best female senior player of the season.
4. **Junior Player of the Year Award:** Awarded to the best Junior/Cadet/Underage player of the season. Consideration to be given to the extent and scope of the nominated player's playing programme.
5. **Fair Play Award:** awarded to the Senior or Underage Player who, over the season, acts within the rules and spirit of the game by demonstrating fair play, honesty and sporting behavior over winning at all costs.
6. **Para Award of the Year:** awarded to the player/coach/volunteer who has contributed most to para table tennis.
7. **Young Coach of the Year:** awarded to the young coach (25 years and under) who has contributed most to the achievements of the players under his or her tutelage.
8. **Male Coach of the Year Award:** awarded to the male coach who has contributed most to the achievements of the players under his tutelage.



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9. **Female Coach of the Year Award:** awarded to the female coach who has contributed most to the achievements of the players under her tutelage.
10. **Volunteer of the Year Shield:** awarded to the person who voluntarily contributes his/her time and skills and/or has made a unique contribution for the benefit of table tennis.
11. **Club of the Year Award:** awarded to a club, which supports its members, volunteers & coaches; demonstrates innovative ideas/projects to encourage members; supports and promotes the growth of local and national events; encourages participation and player pathways; and is open and inclusive to all sections of the community
12. **School of the Year Award:** awarded to a school, which supports its members, volunteers & coaches; demonstrates innovative ideas/projects to encourage members; supports and promotes the growth of local and national events; encourages participation and player pathways; and is open and inclusive to all sections of the community.
13. **International Performance of the Year:** awarded to an individual or team recording an exceptional performance/s against an international player or team in a qualifying international event; performance/s must be significantly above the expected standard of the player/team, in qualifying events under the auspices of the ITTF.

Assessment:

All nominations must be submitted to Joan Shields, Administration Officer, on the specified form **by Friday 1st of May 2020 at 5pm**. These will be assessed by an Association's Awards Committee consisting of the TTI President, Chair of the Board, a Director and Chair of the Management Committee (or Committee representative). The views of the Performance Manager on Awards (2), (3) and (4) and of the Coaching Manager on Awards (7), (8) and (9) may be canvassed before the awards are finalised.

The Committee will present all awards at the Annual General Meeting on Saturday 6th June 2020.

Certificates may be presented to some or all of the nominees.