

# British Tennis Awards 2017 - Nomination Criteria

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Nominations will be judged against the criteria below and for achievements made in 2017, with the exception of the Outstanding Achievement award which recognises lifetime achievements.

Achievements that do not meet the criteria and made prior to 2017 will be discounted, and nominators are strongly encouraged to provide as much evidence as possible within the submission (tangible facts supported by figures and outcomes etc.).

If you are not able to answer every aspect of the criteria, or do not have access to statistics etc., you are still encouraged to submit a nomination as this information can be added to your nomination at a later date.

## **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD – the nominee:**

- Has made a significant impact in tennis in any voluntary capacity
- Has provided and/or supported the opportunity for more people to play, watch, volunteer or coach in tennis
- Has shown excellent teamwork skills, and engages well with people of all ages and from different backgrounds

## **YOUNG VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD – the nominee:**

- Is aged 18 or under on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017
- Has made a significant impact in tennis
- Has provided and/or supported the opportunity for more people to play, watch, volunteer or coach in tennis
- Has shown excellent teamwork skills
- Has made a commitment to self-development, such as participating in a course, learning a new skill, or taking on a new role

## **COACH AWARD – the nominee:**

- Holds LTA Accreditation or Accreditation +
- Has made a significant impact on a player, players, a coaching programme, a club or a community programme
- Has demonstrated quality on-court delivery and excellent customer service
- Is inclusive and provides opportunities to players of different ages, abilities and backgrounds
- Has helped to develop other coaches and young people

## **CLUB OF THE YEAR - the club:**

- Is an LTA registered venue
- Has seen a growth in membership and people playing tennis over the past year, providing excellent customer service to members and participants
- Has a strong leadership team with excellent working relationships between the committee, coach(es) and members, with a strong focus on financial sustainability
- Is inclusive and has good links with the local community
- Uses innovation and technology for running a successful club

## **COMMUNITY VENUE OF THE YEAR - the community venue:**

- Has seen a growth in people playing tennis over the past year, and provides excellent customer service to its participants
- Has strong leadership or leadership team with a strong focus on financial sustainability
- Has a strong presence in the local community and is inclusive of all ages, abilities and backgrounds
- Uses innovation and technology for running a successful venue

## **EDUCATION AWARD**

The Education Award can be awarded to a school, college or university which meets the criteria below.

### **The school, college or university:**

- Has, in the past year, offered a significant and varied tennis programme of coaching and competitions for a large proportion of students or pupils of all abilities.
- Offers students or pupils the chance to develop their life and/or employability skills through tennis, by offering courses such as Tennis Leaders, Coaching Assistant, Competition Organisers and/or Coaching Qualification courses.
- Has successful and sustainable links with the local community and/or local tennis venues

## **DISABILITY AWARD**

### **This award is for a venue or a programme across venues which:**

- Has provided quality accessible and affordable opportunities for more people with a disability to play, volunteer or work in tennis – taking either a pan-disability approach or an impairment specific one.
- Has grown the number of participants over the past year and provided excellent customer service to participants
- Has provided a safe and inclusive environment that caters for all ages, abilities and backgrounds
- Has demonstrated innovation and use of technology to grow and develop the programme

### **OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR - The official:**

- Has shown outstanding contribution to British Tennis in any officiating capacity, going above and beyond the minimum requirement for their certification/grade
- Is an ambassador for British Tennis and a role model, inspiring new and existing officials through their work
- Has shown personal development over the past year

### **COMPETITION OF THE YEAR - The competition:**

- Has seen growth in player numbers and/or entries over the past year
- Has provided an excellent and inclusive competition to its competitors, with high tournament satisfaction scores
- Has demonstrated innovation in order to grow and develop the competition
- Is well organised and was delivered with a team approach, with a close working relationship with local clubs and coaches

## **OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT**

This award recognises an individual's excellence and outstanding achievement throughout the lifetime of their involvement in tennis.

### **The nominee:**

- Is an inspirational role model who has made a significant impact in tennis in any capacity over a number of years (paid or unpaid) showing a lifetime dedication to the sport
- Has provided the opportunity for more people to play, watch, volunteer or coach in tennis
- Has developed a legacy in tennis: either in a venue(s), in the wider community, or to the sport as a whole
- Has shown excellent teamwork skills, engaging with people from all ages and backgrounds throughout their involvement