



2014 Award Categories

The Volleyball England 2014 Award Categories are as follows:

- Young Coach of the Year
- Children's Coach of the Year
- Participation Coach of the Year
- Performance Development Coach of the Year
- High Performance Coach of the Year
- Overall coach of the Year
- Young Volunteer of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Long Service Award
- Young Official of the Year
- Referee of the Year
- Services to Refereeing
- Club of the Year
- Volleyball Personality Of the Year

Young Coach of the Year Award

This Award recognises the important work carried out by an up-and-coming coach through his or her achievements to date

We are looking for someone who:

- Is 25 years of age or under (on 1st September 2014)
- Is creative and determined in their development as a coach
- Provides opportunities and dedicated support to performers to help them reach their goals
- Displays examples of innovative practice
- Has a volleyball coaching qualification

Children's Coach of the Year

This Award recognises the outstanding contribution of a children's coach to the development of basic skills within the Lets Play Volleyball philosophy – Volley Sport, Mini Volley, Super Mini Volley stages of the Participation Development Model

We are looking for someone who:

- Coaches young people under the age of 16
- Develops basic skills through fun in sport

- Displays evidence of appropriate player-centred engagement and high-quality coaching
- Displays examples of innovative practice

Participation Coach of the Year

This Award recognises the outstanding contribution of a coach to getting more people starting, staying and/or succeeding in sport through high-quality coaching

We are looking for someone who:

- Widens access to sport through high-quality coaching
- Works within a specific community, particularly with low-participation groups
- Displays examples of innovative practice

Performance Development Coach of the Year

This Award recognises the achievements of a coach in developing emerging and young performers in sport

We are looking for someone who:

- Displays evidence of innovative practice
- Displays evidence of player-centred, high-quality coaching that encourages the development of performance within sport and nurtures talent

High Performance Coach of the Year

This Award recognises the achievements of a coach working with athletes at the highest level of performance in sport

We are looking for someone who:

- Displays evidence of player-centred development leading to successful performance within sport
- Coaches athletes to a national or international level
- Displays examples of innovative practice

Nominated coaches should be registered with Volleyball England. All nominees will be considered for each award category based on the evidence provided, therefore it is important to provide information based on the award criteria

Young Volunteer of the Year

This Award recognises an enthusiastic young volunteer who commits their time and effort to their club / organisation

We are looking for someone who:

- Is 25 years of age or under (on 20th April 2014)
- Has made a notable commitment of their personal time in a voluntary capacity within volleyball
- Developed / is keen to develop their own skills, knowledge and experience through training e.g. attending workshops or appropriate qualifications
- Has inspired or motivated others

- Created something new or developed an existing system/practice/initiative which has contributed positively to volleyball

Volunteer of the Year

This Award recognises a volunteer who has made a significant contribution of time and effort and who continuously displays an outstanding commitment to their club/organisation

We are looking for someone who:

- Made a notable commitment of their personal time resulting in a positive impact on their club/organisation
- Developed their own skills, knowledge and experience through training e.g. attending workshops or appropriate qualifications
- Has been involved in the recruitment or support of other volunteers
- Created something new or developed an existing system/practice/initiative which has contributed positively to volleyball
- Is an advocate for Volleyball England

Long Service Award

This Award recognises a volunteer who has made an enormous contribution and dedication to volleyball and their club/organisation

We are looking for someone who:

- Has shown outstanding dedication and commitment over a period of at least 20 years
- Has been involved in volleyball in a number of roles or at different levels e.g. county, regional and / or national
- Developed their own skills, knowledge and experience through training e.g. attending workshops or appropriate qualifications
- Has been involved in the recruitment or support of other volunteers
- Created something new or developed an existing system/practice/initiative which has contributed positively to volleyball
- Is an advocate for Volleyball England

Young Official of the Year

This Award recognises a young person who has given their time and demonstrated a high level of commitment within the last 12 months to officiate in volleyball

We are looking for someone who:

- Is 25 years of age or under (on 20th April 2014)
- Holds a recognised Volleyball England qualification
- Displays dedication and enthusiasm

Referee of the Year

This Award recognises a referee for their contribution and dedication to volleyball and the development of refereeing in the country over the past year.

We are looking for someone who:

- Is a registered referee with Volleyball England
- Made a significant commitment of their personal time
- Conducted themselves professionally at all times
- Developed their own skills, knowledge and experience
- Recruited, supported or motivated others to referee or develop their skills

Services to Refereeing

This is a 'lifetime achievement' style award and recognises a referee for their long-term contribution and dedication to the sport.

We are looking for someone who:

- Has made a significant contribution to the sport over a number of years
- Is a registered referee with Volleyball England
- Conducted themselves professionally at all times
- Developed their own skills, knowledge and experience
- Recruited, supported or motivated others to referee or develop their skills
- Created or developed a system, practice or initiative which has contributed positively to volleyball refereeing
- Acted as a role model and set a good example to other referees
- Set high personal standards of professional and/or administrative behaviour

Volleyball Personality of the Year

This is a brand new award for 2014. This award will be given to the player whose actions have most captured the volleyball public's imagination in the 2013-2014 season. Non-playing coaches or management are not eligible.

People are eligible to win Volleyball Personality of the Year if they fulfill the following criteria:

- They play a significant amount of Volleyball in any of the 3 volleyball disciplines.
- Have achieved outstanding success with their team domestically **or/and** Internationally whilst representing England or Great Britain.
- Is a worthy ambassador for Volleyball in England.
- The player does not have to be of English origin, however must be competing in an English league.