

Barnsley Sport Awards 2008

Lifetime Achievement

This award is for someone who has demonstrated outstanding dedication or has silently gone about their duties, achieving success, without seeking out recognition for themselves. Perhaps you know someone who has spent a lifetime dedicating their free time to their sport, through playing, volunteering or coaching. It's time they were recognised.

- Nominations may refer to any coaching, volunteering or participation in any sport over a sustained period of time.

Junior Performer of the Year

This award recognises the hard work and success achieved by Barnsley's young sports men and women under the age of 19. If you know a budding David Beckham or a future Kelly Holmes, nominate them for this fantastic award.

- Must be under 19 years of age on 31st December 2008
- Performances in 2008 are eligible

Senior Performer of the Year

This award celebrates the cream of Barnsley's sporting talent. The winner of this award will have achieved success at a national or international level and will be well deserving of the honour. Athletes from all sports, male and female, able bodied or disabled are eligible for this award.

- Performances in 2008 are eligible

Young Volunteer of the Year

Sport relies on volunteers to run events, training sessions, competitions, clubs and teams. Volunteers contribute over one billion hours each year to sport across England. Nominees for this award must be under 19 years old on 31st December 2008, and will have contributed a significant amount of time and effort to volunteering in sport over the last year. Encourage your club's young volunteers to carry on the good work by nominating them for this award.

- Nominees must be under 19 years of age on 31st December 2008.
- Nominations may refer to any volunteering activities undertaken for any sport in Barnsley and beyond.

Senior Volunteer of the Year

Sport relies on volunteers to run events, training sessions, clubs and teams. Volunteers contribute over one billion hours each year to sport across England. Nominees must be 19 years of age or over on 31st December 2008, and will have contributed a significant amount of time and effort to volunteering in sport over the last year. Encourage your club's senior volunteers to carry on the good work by nominating them for this award.

- Nominees must be 19 years of age or over on 31st December 2008.
- Nominations may refer to any volunteering activities undertaken for any sport in Barnsley and beyond.

School Award

This award is for a school that has used physical education, sport and physical activity to positively influence school achieving, behaviour and attendance.

- This award is open to any school
- Activities and projects during the 2007/2008 school year are eligible.

Young Coach of the Year

If your coach is under 19 years of age, then this is how you can thank them for their efforts and dedication over the past year.

- Young coach of the year nominees must be under 19 years of age on 31st December 2008.
- Nominees must hold a recognized national governing body coaching qualification.
- Nominations must refer to coaching work (voluntary or paid) undertaken in 2008.

Senior Coach of the Year

Without the dedication shown by many coaches the success achieved by their athletes would not be possible. Coaches are often the unsung heroes of sporting success and this award is designed to redress the balance and put the coach in the limelight. If you want to highlight your coach's dedication, this is where to do it.

- Nominees must hold a recognized national governing body coaching qualification.
- Nominations must refer to coaching work (voluntary or paid) undertaken in 2008.
- Coaching achievement in any capacity (coaching individuals, teams, clubs at all levels)

Junior Team of the Year

Aimed at recognising and celebrating the success of a local junior team. We are looking for as many nominations as possible to ensure that all potential winners are considered. If your team has had an excellent season, let us know and you may see them claiming their prize at the ceremony.

- All members of Junior teams must be under 18 on 31st December 2008
- Performances in 2008
- Club, school, county, regional and local teams are eligible

Senior Team of the Year

With so many successful sports teams active in Barnsley, this is bound to be a hard one to judge. If one of your teams has been successful during 2008, in local, national or even international leagues and competitions, then this is the award to nominate them for.

- Performances in 2008.
- Club, school, county, regional and local teams are eligible

Club of the Year

This award is for a club who demonstrates a commitment to development and have had significant impact in increasing participation in their sport.

- Any constituted club recognised by their relevant National Governing Body is eligible for this award.
- Nominations should refer to work and activity that has taken place in 2008.

Community Team/Club of the Year

This award is for a team or club which has made a big difference within their community. They may or may not have achieved high level success but they have worked with community objectives and in a spirit of fair play and equality.

Contribution to Sport for Disabled People

This award is for people who have raised the profile of sport for disabled people through their involvement – either through competing, coaching or volunteering.

- Category open to anyone (able bodied or disabled) who has contributed in an outstanding way towards disability sport over the past year, as a competitor, coach or volunteer.
- Nominations must refer to activity that has taken place in 2008.

Fit for the Future Champion Award

Fit for the Future encourages us to become more active in our everyday lives. Exercise, sport, physical activity, whatever you want to call it, brings us lots of benefits, particularly for our health and well being. Whether it's taking the kids for a kick about in the local park or swapping the car journey to pick up the papers with a walk to the shop, it all counts. Getting started however is often the hardest step and we all need a bit of motivation now and again. This award is looking for local champions who can show that they have motivated, encouraged or supported Barnsley people to get out and about this year and become active. If you know someone who has shown others that small changes can bring benefits then nominate them for this award.

- Category open to anyone (individuals, groups, employers) who have inspired, encouraged or supported Barnsley people to increase the amount of exercise they do.