2016 Annual Awards
Categories and Criteria

The nominations can be completed by following this link

The Volleyball England 2016 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
- Overall Coach of the Year (Panel Decision)
- 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
- HEVO of the Year
- Event of the Year

Young Coach of the Year Award

This award recognises the important work carried out by an up-and-coming coach through their dedication and commitment to their players/participants.

We are looking for someone who:

- Is 25 years of age or under (on 7th May 2016)
- Shown commitment and a desire to upskill themselves and learn from others
- Has gone over and above to help people develop in volleyball within their team/club/session
- Is creative, enthusiastic and motivational in their approach coaching
- A great ambassador for young coaches and Volleyball England
Children’s Coach of the Year

This award recognises the outstanding contribution of a children’s coach to the development of basic skills within schools and clubs.

We are looking for someone who:
- Coaches young people under the age of 16
- Develops basic skills whilst making the activities fun and enjoyable
- Encourages fair play and sportsmanship
- Has gone over and above to help children develop in volleyball within their local area

Participation Coach of the Year

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

We are looking for someone who:
- Widens access to sport by through high-quality coaching
- Has gone over and above to develop volleyball participation within their local area
- Displays dedication and commitment to coaching large number participants
- Has shown creativity in their approach to coaching participants

Performance Development Coach of the Year

This award recognises the achievements of a coach in developing emerging and young performers in volleyball.

We are looking for someone who:
- Displays evidence of player-centred, high-quality coaching that encourages the development of performance within volleyball and nurtures talent
- Has achieved success with a number of individual or a team on a National and/or an International level
- Demonstrates creativity in their coaching methods that fits the needs of the participants

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 a club / community / event

We are looking for someone who:
- Is 25 years of age or under (on 7th May 2016)
- 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

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 a club/ community / event

We are looking for someone who:
- Made a notable commitment of their personal time to positively impact their club/ community / event
- Developed their own skills, knowledge and experience through training and learning from others e.g. attending workshops, appropriate qualifications or events
- Has inspired or motivated others

Long Service Award

This award recognises a volunteer who has made an enormous contribution and dedication to volleyball throughout their life

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 locally and/or nationally
- Has inspired or motivated others
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 7th May 2016)
- Displays dedication and enthusiasm for volleyball officiating
- Shown commitment and a desire to upskill themselves and learn from others
- Has demonstrated competency in their role of an official
- A great ambassador for young officials and Volleyball England

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 to refereeing
- 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
Club of the year

This award recognises a club that has made themselves open and known throughout the local area and delivers a high quality service for all members within it

We are looking for a club that:

- Demonstrated successful partnerships with local and community organisations
- Evidenced commitment to upskilling the clubs workforce
- Evidenced commitment to volunteer recruitment, recognition and training
- Has seen increased membership and participation levels

Play of the Year

This award recognises a team or a player that has displayed spectacular play within a volleyball match in England. The award will be decided after a shortlist is proposed to the Volleyball Public!

We are looking for a video clip that displays:

- Spectacular action or play in any of our domestic competitions and leagues

HEVO of the Year

This award recognises a HEVO who has made a notable commitment of their personal time resulting in a positive impact on the recreational volleyball activity in their university.

We are looking for someone who:

- Created a new or developed an existing system/practice/initiative which has contributed to volleyball participation within the university
- Developed links between the university and community volleyball
- Has been involved in the recruitment or support of other volunteers
- Set high personal standards of professional and administrative behaviour
- Developed their own skills, knowledge and experience through training e.g. attending workshops or appropriate qualifications
- Is an advocate for Volleyball England

Event of the Year

This award recognises an outstanding event that has been delivered in 2014 which has succeeded in promoting Volleyball as a sport. This could be in any of the sitting, indoor and beach disciplines.

We are looking for an event that:

- Has promoted volleyball as a sport on a local and/or national scale
- Delivered a high quality product for those involved in participating
- Has gone over and above to ensure the organisation of it is a success
- Recruited existing and new workforce including any relevant training in advance
- Had a great atmosphere