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The British Judo Awards Scheme is designed to recognise the considerable efforts provided by volunteers in our sport, whose hard work, commitment and dedication keeps it running on a daily basis.

The British Judo Association Volunteer Recognition Programme is a meaningful way to provide recognition for outstanding performance and contributions by a club volunteer who has played an instrumental role in supporting British judo's development. Individuals volunteer for many reasons; personal growth, personal achievement, to create social bonds and strengthen their community. If you know of someone whose efforts are worthy of recognition, we encourage you to make a submission.

There are two sections of the **Awards Scheme**:

VOLUNTEER AWARDS:

awarded for service to the sport, technical or developmental excellence, or competitive support excellence.

PLAYER AWARDS:

awarded to both junior and senior players for competitive excellence, improvement and inspirational efforts at any level.

This year's award's presentation evening will be held to coincide with the prestigious World Cup Event at Birmingham's National Indoor Arena on Saturday 20th September 2008.



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VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Guidelines

OBJECT OF THE AWARDS PROGRAMME

The object of the BJA Volunteer awards programme is to honour individuals who are representative of the body of volunteers who contribute their time and effort, through the large amount of judo clubs in Britain.

Volunteers are extremely important to our development of judo across the country and without their expertise the sport would simply struggle.

Every club has one member who goes over and beyond the call of duty to ensure the success of their club, and we're offering you the chance to get their time and efforts recognised. The BJA Volunteering awards for July 07 to July 08 are now open for your nominations and will be presented at the prestigious World Cup Tournament.

This year the BJA have extended their volunteer categories to recognise the amount of different roles that volunteers play. All categories available are listed below. If you feel someone involved in you club matches the criteria's provided, make sure you submit your nominations.

The closing date for volunteer nominations for the year 1st July 07 to 30th June 08 is Tuesday 1st July 08.

You can now send in your nominations for the following award categories:

- Bronze, Silver & Gold Volunteer Awards
- Schools Coach of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Young Volunteer of the Year
- Young Official of the Year
- Official of the Year
- Make a Difference Award



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These particular awards are designed for individuals who have made outstanding achievements in their line of work. Merit will be awarded to volunteers who have highlighted their hard work, enthusiasm, commitment and triumphs over the years to their club.

There is no limit to the number of awards given in each category per year, but the Gold awards will be reserved for particularly outstanding achievements, and therefore it is likely that less of these will be awarded.

Detailed below are the types of achievements, which will be considered for each award. However, all nominations highlighting a volunteer's hard work, commitment or triumphs will be considered. When nominating, a nominee should not state the level of award, as this will be determined by the Awarding Panel.

BRONZE

- For an individual who leads a club through the process to reach the BJA Clubmark award.
- For being an outstanding volunteer and “all rounder”, someone who wears many hats and gets involved in all areas of a club or area.
- A volunteer who has shown a commitment to build communication links with other delivery partners i.e. County Sports Partnerships, Community Sport Networks or Volunteer Centres.
- A volunteer who has created a structured pathway/action plan on recruiting, retaining and rewarding volunteers.
- A club Official/Coach who recruits a significant amount of BJA members in one year.

SILVER

- For an individual who provides high-level support at an Area or at National level.
- For organising and recruiting volunteers for a number of events.
- For a volunteer who represents their club in the capacity of a volunteer coordinator who oversees all club volunteers and development i.e. role descriptions, mentoring and monitoring.



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GOLD

- For running a hugely successful event for a number of years.
- For initiating a BJA membership drive, which brings many new members into the Association.
- For coaching a World or Olympic medallist.

Special Awards

In addition to the presentations of Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards there will also be Special Awards for the following:

SCHOOLS COACH OF THE YEAR

- Awarded to an individual who has proven qualified and worthy for this prestigious award:
- The coach must have been involved in teaching, coaching and promoting judo in schools/colleges.
- Having proved successful in advancing and improving judo and all its benefits for children in schools/colleges.
- Must be part of an affiliated club.
- Must have been coaching over a period of not less than two years and are recognised under the current BJA Coach affiliation system.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

- Awarded to a volunteer whose dedicated and committed to their club's development.
- Made a considerable commitment to the development of their judo club.
- Must be part of an affiliated club.
- Having the ability/enthusiasm to motivate others.



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YOUNG OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

- Awarded to a young individual who has dedicated their time to officiating at a club/regional/national level.
- Volunteers must be under the age of 25 years on the 1st July 08
- Inspired or motivated others in judo.
- A good role model.
- Shown willingness to progress through judo officiating.

OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

- An award designed for a qualified official who has dedicated their time to officiating at a regional/national/international level.
- Shown enthusiasm under difficult situations.
- Has put the sport of judo at the forefront of development in their role.
- Shown extraordinary commitments to judo.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE AWARD

- For a volunteer who has achieved something extraordinary for their area /club or the Association as a whole.
- Shown enthusiasm under difficult situations
- Has put the sport of judo at the forefront of development in their role.
- Shown extraordinary commitments to judo.

CLUB OF THE YEAR

- An award designed for clubs who have demonstrated significant achievements in one year.
- Clubs must be affiliated to the BJA
- Shown achievements in development i.e. player development, partner development, volunteer development, facility development or Clubmark.
- Clubs who have shown a commitment to developing structured pathways for players.
- Clubs who have shown competitive success.



PROCEDURES

To assist you with your club nomination process the BJA have put together a series of procedures, which are designed to help guide your way through the BJA nomination process.

CONDITIONS OF NOMINATION

1. Each Nominee must have served in his/her role for no less than one year.
2. Individuals who receive pay in return for their services will not be considered.
3. You may not nominate yourself for any award
4. All nominees must be part of an affiliated club.
5. Being nominated for another volunteer scheme does not exclude entry under this scheme.

NOMINATION PROCESS

1. Nomination forms will be available from your Regional Development Officer and the BJA.
2. Make sure the nomination form is completed in full and returned by the closing date provided.
3. All nominations will be judged on the criteria provided and will be assessed by an independent panel of judges.
4. All those nominated will receive a certificate of appreciation for their hard work and commitment.

All nominations should be completed on the form provided and either sent back by email to simonbuttery@britishjudo.org.uk or by post to:

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BJA PLAYER AWARDS

The British Judo Player Awards will be given each year for the following categories and presented at the British Judo Awards Night.

How each winner will be decided is also detailed:

FEMALE SENIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Nominations and voting by the readers of Matside.

MALE SENIOR PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Nominations and voting by the readers of Matside.

YOUNG FEMALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR (UNDER 20 YEARS)

Nomination and voting by the readers of Matside

YOUNG MALE PLAYER OF THE YEAR (UNDER 20 YEARS)

Nomination and Voting by the readers of Matside.

MOST IMPROVED BRITISH SQUAD MEMBER

Determined by the High Performance Staff.

PLAYERS PLAYER OF THE YEAR.

Voted for by members of the British Squad.



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BRITISH JUDO NOMINATION FORM

NOMINEE

To be completed by the Nominator/Club

Name

Gender M/F

Date of Birth

Tel no

Address of nominee

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NOMINATOR DETAILS

Contact Name

Tel no

Name of Club

Address of Club

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Role of Nominator within club

Profile of Nominee's work

Length Of Service

Category you would like your nominee to be considered for:

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(Volunteer of the Year, Young Volunteer of the Year, Official of the Year, Schools Coach of the Year, Young Official of the Year, Make a Difference Award, Club of the Year, Player Award.)

