

## AWARDS COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

### **A. PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Awards Committee of Diving Plongeon Canada (the “Awards’ Committee”) is to ensure that DPC recognizes and rewards the accomplishments and contributions of its members. This endeavor should align with the objectives of the DPC Board, staff, officials and coaches to continue supporting Canada as one of the leading diving nations in the world.

### **B. COMPOSITION**

The Awards Committee is a committee of the DPC Board of Directors and shall be composed of the following:

1. One voting member who sits on the DPC Board, selected by the Board to act as Awards Committee (AC) Chair
2. One voting member who is a coach, to be selected by the AC Chair
3. One voting member who is an official, to be selected by the AC Chair
4. One voting member who is a current or recently retired athlete, to be selected by the AC Chair
5. One voting member to be recommended by the DPC Board or the AC Committee, to be selected by the AC Chair
6. One non-voting member who is a DPC staff member, to be assigned by the Chief Operating Officer

Membership on the Committee is renewable annually at the discretion of the AC Chair.

### **C. RESPONSIBILITIES**

The responsibilities of the Awards Committee are:

1. To review and update awards and selection criteria annually.
2. To review nominations submitted and make recommendations to DPC Board for awards that are under the responsibility of the awards committee, as per selection criteria.
3. To be available to DPC Board for consultation or guidance on matters relating to the DPC awards program as required.

**D. AUTHORITY**

1. All recommendations made by the awards committee are subject to ratification by the Board.

**E. VOTING**

1. Where possible, decisions are to be made by consensus.
2. In the absence of a consensus, the matter will go to a vote.
3. All voting members, including the Chair, are entitled to one vote.
4. The non-voting member, assigned by DPC staff, is not entitled to vote.
5. Any matter put to a vote will be decided by a majority of the votes cast.
6. In the event of a tie vote, the Chair will have a second or casting vote and that decision shall be final.

**F. MEETINGS**

1. The main selection meeting of the Committee will take place via conference call in the early fall of each year, and other meetings will be scheduled as required.
2. Minutes of the meetings will be distributed to the AC, the DPC Board of Directors, and DPC Senior Staff.
3. A majority of voting members will be required for a quorum (3 of 5 voting members).
4. All discussions during meetings of the AC must remain confidential, including recommendations made by the AC to the DPC Board prior to the actual announcement of winners at the Annual Awards Ceremony.

## AWARDS SUMMARY

### ATHLETE AWARDS

#### **1. Male Athlete of the Year**

Awarded annually in recognition of:

- *National and international results; and/or*
- *Unique athletic achievements, records broken; and/or*
- *External awards, honors, and/or titles; and/or*
- *Reflecting a positive image on the sport of diving.*

#### **2. Female Athlete of the Year**

Awarded annually in recognition of:

- National and international results; and/or
- Unique athletic achievements, records broken; and/or
- External awards, honors, and/or titles; and/or
- Reflecting a positive image on the sport of diving.

#### **3. “Standing Ovation” Athlete Award**

Awarded annually in recognition of:

- Memorable, noteworthy, or break through achievement or performance; and/or
- Significant improvement in results or performance; and/or
- Demonstrated commitment to the advancement of the sport; and/or
- Any other inspiring accomplishment or moment.

#### **4. “Ripple Effect” Athlete Award**

Awarded annually in recognition of:

- An athlete who is a positive role model, whose actions, ideals, and values have impacted others in a positive way; and/or
- An athlete that embodies the spirit of sport and uses their platform to enrich their community.

## COACH AWARDS

### **1. Coach of the Year - Junior Athletes**

Awarded annually in recognition of:

- *Outstanding performance and results of a coach's junior athlete(s)*

### **2. Coach of the Year - Senior Athletes**

Awarded annually in recognition of:

- *Outstanding performance and results of a coach's senior athlete(s)*

### **3. Coaching Impact Award**

Awarded annually in recognition of a Coach's:

- *Leadership; and/or*
- *Positive role modelling for current and future coaches; and/or*
- *Contributions to the initiatives and activities of DPC; and/or*
- *Participation and commitment to coach development; and/or*
- *Innovation/development of new techniques and/or tools; and/or*
- *Noteworthy impact on the relationships between coaches and officials, parents, supporters and others; and/or*
- *Generating enthusiasm and interest in the sport diving.*

## CLUB AWARD

### **1. "Team Awesome" Award**

Awarded on a merit basis (not necessarily annual) in recognition of a member club who has:

- *Demonstrated excellence in the creation of a healthy, thriving, inclusive club culture; and/or*
- *Demonstrated growth in club membership and programming; and/or*
- *Significant improvement in overall club performance and achievement; and/or*
- *Demonstrated consistent high level of engagement from club members; and/or*
- *Engaged the broader community in the sport of diving.*

## CONTRIBUTOR AWARDS

### **1. John Dickinson Award of Merit**

*Conceived in 1981, the John Dickinson Award of Merit is Diving Plongeon Canada's most prestigious annual award.*

*Awarded annually, it recognizes an individual who has made an exceptional contribution to the sport of diving.*

*The recipient has demonstrated long-standing involvement in sport and has affected a positive impact on the diving community.*

### **2. Vaughn Baird Award**

*Conceived in 1981, the Vaughan Baird Award is presented, on the basis of merit not necessarily annually, to an individual upon the occasion of a groundbreaking contribution/innovation that has significantly advanced the "art and sport of diving"*

## DPC BOARD AWARDS

### **1. Facility Manager of the Year Award**

### **2. President's Honour Roll**

## COMPETITION AWARDS

### **1. Outstanding Diver Awards – Junior Athletes**

### **2. Isabel Warren Award – B Group Athletes**

### **3. Bev Boys Award – Senior Athletes**

### **4. Book of Excellence - Junior Athletes**