

Tidewater Striders Track Club Policies and Procedures Addendum

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TIDEWATER STRIDERS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Tidewater Striders Volunteer of the Year Awards is to honor club members for their exceptional volunteer efforts throughout the year. Exceptional volunteer efforts involving the conduct of club races will be honored by the Race Volunteer of the Year Award, while exceptional volunteer efforts involving club and community service will be honored by the Club/Community Service Volunteer of the Year Award.

QUALIFICATIONS

Nominees will have volunteered for a race or for club and community service contributions.

NOMINATION PROCESS

The Chairperson of the Volunteer committee will provide to the Awards Committee chairperson, no later than December 1st, the names of the proposed award winners in each category.

SELECTION COMMITTEE/CHAIRPERSON

- 1) The Race Volunteer of the Year Award selection committee membership will consist of four (4) voting members, selected as follows:
 - a) One past President
 - b) One past Volunteer of the Year award winner
 - c) One member of the Race Committee
 - d) Chairperson of the Volunteer committee
- 2) The Club/Community Service Volunteer of the Year Award selection committee membership will consist of four (4) voting members, selected from the following persons:
 - a) One past president
 - b) One past Volunteer of the Year award winner
 - c) One current Board of Directors Member

- d) Chairperson of the Volunteer committee
 - e) Chairperson of the Adopt-A-Highway or Adopt-A-Trail program
- 3) The selection committees will be nominated by the Chairperson of the Awards committee, as per the preceding guidelines, and submitted to the Board of Directors for approval prior to the November Board meeting.
- 4) The Chairperson of the Awards committee will be the non-voting chair of both selection committees.
- 5) If, for some reason, one or more of these designated individuals are not available for service on the selection committee, one or more current Board members will serve as a replacement.

SELECTION PROCESS/TIMELINE

- 1) Nominees for consideration, as described above, shall be presented by the Chairperson of the Volunteer committee to the chairperson of Awards committee, by December 1.
- 2) The selection committees will consider both the quantity and quality of the volunteer contributions in designating the recipients of the gold, silver and bronze awards for their category, as designated below under The Awards.
- 3) The awards selection process will take place during the month of December.

THE AWARD

- 1) The Chairperson of the Awards Committee is responsible for designing and securing appropriate awards. The Tidewater Striders Volunteers of the Year Awards will be designated as two separate categories, with three awards in each category, as follows:
 - a) Race Volunteers of the Year
 - i) Gold - The first-place award
 - ii) Silver - The second-place award
 - iii) Bronze - The third-place award
 - b) Club\Community Service Volunteers of the Year

- i) Gold - The first-place award
 - ii) Silver - The second-place award
 - iii) Bronze - The third-place award
- 2) The name and year of the award and the name of the recipient shall be on the award.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

- 1) Both committee awards will be presented at the Tidewater Striders Annual Awards Banquet.
- 2) The Chairperson of the Awards committee shall oversee the preparation of the commentary for the presenter.
- 3) The club will provide complimentary invitations to the banquet to each award winner and one guest.

PUBLICITY OF THE AWARD

The Chairperson of the Awards Committee will transmit information concerning the award to the Chairperson of the Media Committee, who shall then provide appropriate information about the award to The Rundown and other media outlets, particularly the Virginian Pilot.

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TIDEWATER STRIDERS PRESIDENTIAL AWARD

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Tidewater Striders Presidential Award is to allow the President of the club to recognize annually an exemplary club member.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1) This award is made to an individual who has, in the eyes of the President, made contributions to the club and the sport that are so significant that they transcend typical contributions.
- 2) There is no requirement that this award be presented each year. The President has the right to honor an individual annually if he/she deems it appropriate.

NOMINATION PROCESS

- 1) As this award is completely at the discretion of the President, there is no nomination process.
- 2) The President is free to solicit advice and input from others in the club and community and is encouraged to do so. The award recipient decision is, however, ultimately the decision of the President.

SELECTION COMMITTEE/CHAIRPERSON

- 1) This is a committee of one.
- 2) In the case of more than one individual serving in the role of President for a term year, the award decision will be based on input from all persons serving in that capacity and the input process will be managed by the current President.

SELECTION PROCESS/TIMELINE

- 1) The President shall select the recipient of the award with the only restriction that the winner is a current member of the club. All club members are eligible including current board members and past officers. The President cannot select himself/herself for the award.

- 2) The award selection process will be completed at least three weeks prior to the scheduled Awards Banquet so an appropriate award may be prepared.

THE AWARD

The design of the award shall be selected and procured by the Chairperson of the Awards Committee.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

- 1) The award will be presented at the annual Awards Banquet. The President will deliver an appropriate commentary about the recipient and do the presentation of the award at the banquet. If, for some unforeseen reason, the President is unable to attend the banquet, they will supply the Vice President with the written commentary on the award recipient and the Vice President will do the presentation.
- 2) The club will provide complimentary invitations to the banquet to the award winner and one guest.

PUBLICITY OF THE AWARD

The President will transmit information to the chairperson of the Media committee, who shall then transmit appropriate information about the award to the Rundown and other media outlets, particularly the Virginian Pilot.

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TIDEWATER STRIDERS APPRECIATION AWARD

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Tidewater Strider Appreciation Award is to recognize an individual, company, municipal or civic organization for outstanding contributions to the club and sport over an extended number of years. This award need not be given each year.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1) This award should be based on financial and/or time and/or professional contributions; however, it is suggested that this award be rotated to show our appreciation to all our top sponsors/contributors.
- 2) This award may be made for such support over an extended number of years or for exceptional support over a shorter time frame.

NOMINATION PROCESS

- 1) The Committee will decide on a list of candidates.
- 2) Unless we have a contributor that simply stands way beyond the rest, it is also suggested that previous winners not be nominated for at least five years.

SELECTION COMMITTEE/CHAIRPERSON

- 1) A member of the Awards Committee shall be the non-voting chair of the Appreciation Award Committee.
- 2) In addition to the chairperson, service on the Appreciation Awards Committee shall consist of the Executive Board (the president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary). If one or more of these designated individuals are not available for service on the Appreciation Committee, the Awards chairperson will select one or more current Board members to serve as a replacement.
- 3) The Appreciation Awards chairperson shall arrange and chair each Committee meeting.

SELECTION PROCESS/TIMELINE

The Committee shall identify candidates who are qualified to receive the award and select the recipient by December 31.

THE AWARD

The Committee shall decide on the type of award to be given. Since the classification of the recipient may change from year to year, so may the type of award.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

- 1) The Appreciation Award shall be presented to the recipient at the Awards Banquet.
- 2) The Committee shall provide a written commentary for the presenter and select an appropriate presenter.
- 3) The recipient will receive a complimentary invitation to the banquet.

PUBLICITY OF THE AWARD

The Chairperson of the selection committee shall transmit the appropriate information to the Chairperson of the Tidewater Striders Media Committee, who shall then transmit appropriate information about the award to The Rundown and other media outlets, particularly the Virginian Pilot.

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TIDEWATER STRIDERS RACE DIRECTOR OF THE YEAR

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Tidewater Strider Race Director of the Year Award is to recognize the most outstanding race director.

QUALIFICATIONS

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Race Director must be selected from one of the Tidewater Strider sponsored races.
- 2) Race directors from multi-sport events can also be nominated.

NOMINATION PROCESS

The nomination process shall adhere to the following procedures:

- 1) Nominations for race director of the year may come from the general membership, board members or race directors.
- 2) All the names for the race director of the year shall be submitted to the chairperson or the awards committee.

SELECTION COMMITTEE/CHAIRPERSON

- 1) The Chair(s) of the Race Committee shall serve as chair for the Race Director of the Year Committee.
- 2) The selection committee shall consist of at least 3 current race directors (who have not been nominated), 3 race volunteers and a previous race director of the year.

SELECTION PROCESS/TIMELINE

- 1) The selection committee will consider the following criteria in their selection
 - a) Pre-Race
 - i) How well the race is organized

- ii) Registration procedures
- iii) Race flyers
- b) Race
 - i) Course marshals
 - ii) Water stations
 - iii) Accuracy of the course
- c) Post-Race
 - i) Adequate refreshments after the race
 - ii) Timeliness of race results
 - iii) Other
 - (1) Number of years the director has hosted the race
 - (2) Satisfaction of the runners
 - (3) Contribution of race to:
 - (a) Tidewater Striders
 - (b) Runners
 - (c) Community
 - (d) Volunteers
- 2) Deadline for final nominations shall be December 1 of each year.
- 3) The committee shall make their decision by December 31.

THE AWARD

The design of the award shall be selected by the Awards Committee chairperson and include the name of the award and the recipient's name.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

- 1) The award will be given at the Annual Awards Banquet. The Race Committee Chair (s) will present the award.
- 2) The club will provide complimentary invitations to the Awards Banquet to the award recipient and one guest.

PUBLICITY OF THE AWARD

The Chairperson of the committee will transmit information concerning the award to the Chairperson of the Media Committee, who shall then provide appropriate information about the award to The Rundown and other media outlet, particularly the Virginian Pilot.

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TIDEWATER STRIDERS OUTSTANDING MALE AND FEMALE PERFORMANCE AWARD

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Tidewater Strider Performance Award is to recognize outstanding performance of running, walking or multi-sport athletes.

QUALIFICATIONS

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Be a member of the Tidewater Striders
- 2) Demonstrate excellence at the regional, state or national level
- 3) Open to all ages

NOMINATION PROCESS

The nomination process shall adhere to the following procedures:

- 1) Nominations can be made by the membership and/or the committee.
- 2) A nomination form will be available to all members throughout the year.
- 3) Forms will be distributed in the October Rundown.
- 4) Nominations must be made by December 31.

SELECTION COMMITTEE/CHAIRPERSON

- 1) The committee shall consist of five appointed members
 - a) Grand Prix Committee Chairperson
 - b) Multisport Committee Chairperson
 - c) Walking Committee Chairperson
 - d) Team Committee Chairperson
 - e) Youth Committee Chairperson

- 2) If an individual chairs more than one of these committees, an alternative committee member will be selected to ensure representation of all committees.
- 3) A Chairperson shall be selected from the five voting members.
- 4) The selection of these committee members will prevail into the subsequent year when the selection process takes place.

SELECTION PROCESS/TIMELINE

- 1) Nominees for consideration shall be presented to the committee by December 1st.
- 2) The process should be completed no later than December 31st.

THE AWARD

- 1) The design of the award shall be selected by the Awards Committee.
- 2) The awards chairperson shall oversee the ordering of awards.
- 3) The name and year of the award and the name of the recipient shall be on the award.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

- 1) The award shall be presented at the Annual Awards Banquet.
- 2) The recipients will receive a complimentary invitation to the banquet.

PUBLICITY OF THE AWARD

The chairperson of the committee will transmit information to the chairperson of the Tidewater Striders Media committee, who shall then transmit appropriate information about the award to The Rundown and any other media outlets, particularly the Virginian Pilot.

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TIDEWATER STRIDERS HIGH SCHOOL MALE AND FEMALE CROSS-COUNTRY RUNNER

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Tidewater Strider High School Cross Country Award is to recognize outstanding performance in high school cross country.

QUALIFICATIONS

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

- 1) Be a member of an accredited high school cross country team in the Tidewater area.
- 2) Demonstrate excellence at the district, regional, state or national level in cross country.

NOMINATION PROCESS

- 1) Coaches, individuals and/or committee members can make nominations.
- 2) A nomination form will be available to all high school country cross country coaches and athletic directors.

SELECTION COMMITTEE/CHAIRPERSON

The committee shall consist of the Race Committee Chair(s) and the Youth Committee Chair.

SELECTION PROCESS/TIMELINE

- 1) Nominees for consideration shall be presented to the committee by December 15th.
- 2) The process should be completed no later than the second week in January.

THE AWARD

- 1) The design of the award shall be selected by the Awards Committee.
- 2) The awards chairperson shall oversee the ordering of awards.
- 3) The name of the award, the year, and the name of the recipient shall be on the award.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

- 1) An individual knowledgeable of the recipient shall present the award at the Annual Awards Banquet.
- 2) A copy of the presentation will be available to the committee and Awards Chairperson.
- 3) The club will provide complimentary invitations to the banquet to each recipient and two guests.

PUBLICITY OF THE AWARD

The Awards Committee shall provide the Media Committee the appropriate information about the purpose of the award and background on the recipients. The Media Committee will then provide the information to the Rundown and other media outlets, particularly the Virginian Pilot.

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TIDEWATER STRIDERS INSPIRATION AWARD

PURPOSE

The purpose of the Tidewater Striders Inspiration award is to honor a club member whose efforts and accomplishments stand as a goal for others to try to achieve and also inspire us to give our maximum effort.

QUALIFICATIONS

Nominees must show evidence of accomplishments that inspire others to try and achieve their very best.

NOMINATION PROCESS

Any member of the Tidewater Striders may submit the name of a nominee to the Awards Committee Chair by November 1 of the current award year.

SELECTION COMMITTEE/CHAIRPERSON

The Awards Committee Chair shall serve as the selection committee chairperson.

SELECTION PROCESS/TIMELINE

- 1) The selection committee shall recommend the name(s) of the recipient(s) to the Board of Directors by December 31st.
- 2) This award need not be given each year.

THE AWARD

The design of the Inspiration Award shall be selected by the Awards Committee Chairperson / Committee.

PRESENTATION OF THE AWARD

The Inspiration Award shall be presented at the Tidewater Striders Annual Awards Banquet.

PUBLICITY OF THE AWARD

The Chairperson of the selection committee shall transmit the appropriate information to the Media Committee, who shall then transmit the information to the appropriate media outlets.

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