

# Pony Club Australia Awards 2020



**PONY CLUB**  
AUSTRALIA

The Pony Club Australia Awards reward our riders, coaches, officials and volunteers for achievements and contributions to the development of Pony Club.



## Overview

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Pony Club Australia (PCA) is committed to educating young riders in a safe and friendly environment. PCA offers a diverse range of disciplines and supports members to reach their full potential. In so doing we rely on the capabilities and contributions of all our coaches, officials and supporters. Recognising and rewarding achievements of our riders and coaches, and expressing gratitude to our volunteers is an essential part of our culture.

The key elements of success for our organisation are reflected in the following awards:

1. Best achievement by a rider aged 12 years and under\*
2. Best achievement by a rider aged 13 - 17 years\*
3. Best achievement by a rider aged 18 -25 years\*
4. Coach of the year
5. Volunteer of the year
6. Club of the year

\* Age at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020

There will be one award for each category annually. However, the judging panel may decline to make an award for any category if it determines there is not a submission of sufficient merit to be given an award.

## Nomination Process

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Each nomination must be accompanied with information on why the nominee/s should be considered for the award. Each of the assessment criteria are equally weighted. Nominations must be submitted electronically using this link

<https://form.jotform.co/80670977480871>

- **Nominations should focus on the nominee's activities in the preceding 12-18 months.**

## Selection Process

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The nominations will be considered by a judging panel of four people, made up of representatives of PCA and Member States.

The judging panel may decline to make an award for any category if it determines there is not a submission of sufficient merit to be given an award.

## Prize

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The winner/s of each award will receive an inscribed medallion or trophy and prize.

## Announcement

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Due to COVID19 restrictions there will not be an awards ceremony.

The awards will be announced live on Facebook in October 2020. Date to be advised.

## Key Contact

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If you require any further information regarding the program, or assistance in preparing a nomination, please contact: [info@ponyclubaustralia.com.au](mailto:info@ponyclubaustralia.com.au)

**Nominations for the 2020 awards close on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

## **Best achievement by a rider aged 12 years and under** (age at 1/1/2020)

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### **Selection criteria**

1. Participation in Pony Club rallies and activities
2. Achievements in riding and completion of Pony Club certificates
3. Demonstrated partnership with and care for their pony

## **Best achievement by a rider 13-17 years** (age at 1/1/2020)

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### **Selection criteria**

1. Participation in Pony Club rallies and activities
2. Improvement in riding and leadership skills through diligence and effort
3. Club citizenship (eg. helpful to others)

## **Best achievement by a rider aged 18 – 25 years** (age at 1/1/2020)

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### **Selection criteria**

1. Participation in Pony Club rallies and activities
2. Improvement in riding and leadership skills through diligence and effort
3. Contribution to club or zone management and programs

## **The Kay Irving Award (Coach of the year)**

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### **Selection criteria**

1. Contribution to development of the contemporary coaching program at Pony Club
2. Commitment to coaching excellence and professional development through PCANCAS
3. Personal passion and resilience, including feedback from students and peers

## **Volunteer of the year**

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Open to Helper, Administrator, Club Office holder, Official.

### **Selection criteria**

1. Displays Pony Club values
2. Contribution to development of their Pony Club for the benefit of members
3. Commitment to good governance and professionalism

## **Club of the year**

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### **Selection criteria**

1. Implementation of initiatives to attract and retain members, inclusive and responsive to the needs of members
2. Good governance processes at club level - including completion of "Club Health Check", advocate of "Play by the Rules", safety program, succession planning
3. Innovation in club management, such as sponsorship programs, financial management, use of *MyPonyClub* database for management of memberships and events
4. Delivery of coaching syllabus, demonstrated achievements by members and coaches (eg certificates attained, NCAS coach accreditation)