



Victorian Bridge Association Limited

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2017 Awards For Excellence

I'm very pleased to announce nominations for the Victorian Bridge Awards for Excellence for 2017 are now open. These awards are designed to recognise individuals around the state who have made a significant contribution to our game during the last year, whether it is in your club or a broader role. Four award categories are available, and the same individual may be nominated in more than one category:

“Teacher of the Year”

“Official of the Year”

“Volunteer of the Year”

“Sportsmanship Award of the Year”

Nominations are open until April 30 2018 and nominations should be made on the attached form and sent to the VBA Secretary by post to 131 Poath Road Murrumbeena Vic 3163 or email to secretary@vba.asn.au.

Finalists will be selected by a panel including the Presidents of the VBA, ERBA, NRBA and WRBA.

Finalists will be notified by May 19, 2018, and overall winners will be announced at the Victor Champion Cup in Melbourne on June 8, 2018.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ben Thompson', is written in a cursive style.

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Ben Thompson

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The criteria for each Category are set out below:

Teacher of the year

The “Teacher of the Year” will be an active Teacher who has made an outstanding contribution to teaching bridge in 2017. The criteria used will be;

- A demonstrated commitment to quality teaching
- The development, progress and outcomes achieved by players
- Supporting, developing and contributing to the education of players more broadly
- The use of innovation or new ideas or techniques to improve teaching and player performance
- Overall impact of their teaching for the game of bridge

Official of the year

The “Official of the Year” will be an active official (e.g. director, club administrator, etc) who has made an outstanding contribution to officiating in 2017. The criteria used will be;

- A demonstrated commitment to officiating
- A proven positive impact on other officials and event delivery
- Supporting, developing and contributing to the education of officials more broadly
- Overall impact of their officiating on the game of bridge

Volunteer of the year

The “Volunteer of the Year” will be an individual who through volunteering their time has made an outstanding contribution in bridge in 2017. The criteria used will be;

- A demonstrated commitment to positively contribute to their club/s or state Association
- Significantly contributed through their actions, work and time to the game of bridge
- Worked selflessly for the betterment of their club/s or state Association
- Overall impact of your volunteering on the game of bridge

Sportsmanship Award of the Year

Good sportsmanship refers to fairness, self control, respect and courtesy. The winner of the Sportsmanship Award will be a person who plays to ensure that everyone (partner and opponents alike) enjoy the game and the experience of playing and meeting other players who share a passion for bridge. This award recognises a consistent display of and commitment to sportsmanship rather than one or a few acts of sportsmanship.

Nomination Form

To be returned to the VBA secretary by **April 30 2018**

Please attach any additional information addressing the 'selection criteria' for the relevant award over the last 12 month period (1st Jan – 31st Dec 2017) to this Nomination Form.

Nominee: _____

Club:

Award Category: Teacher Official Volunteer Sportsmanship

(circle applicable category)

Brief description in support of the nomination:

The nomination must be endorsed by a financial member of any club affiliated with the VBA

Endorsed By:

ABF No:

Signature:

Club:

Date:

You are welcome to encourage others to provide supporting statements for your nomination