



**Information Pack for 2017  
Award Nominations**

# Goalden Globe Awards 2017

## Nomination Information

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England Netball provides the opportunity to say thank you to the volunteers who work tirelessly for netball through their dedication and to recognise their achievements in netball.

Through our regional and national awards we will celebrate the work of our volunteers. The awards ensure there is something for everyone. The national awards will be presented at a glittering evening in September 2017.

### How to Nominate

Anyone can make a nomination by completing the official England Netball nomination form. These forms can be downloaded from the England Netball website [www.EnglandNetball.co.uk](http://www.EnglandNetball.co.uk) or for a hard copy please contact your regional office.

The completed nomination form is submitted to your local regional netball office. Regional awards are selected by a regional panel and submitted to the national panel for consideration for the National winner. The deadline for submitting nominations to your regional netball office is:



**1<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

### Key points to consider:

Read the nomination form and these guidance notes carefully before starting your nomination. Be sure to answer all of the questions, each piece of information requested in the form, provides guidance to the awards panel and you do not want to omit anything that will help them to understand the contributions of your nominee.

Nominations should include evidence to support and illustrate the impact and achievements of the volunteer in the award category. The evidence should be supported by facts and figures where possible.

Each nomination is to be accompanied by two high resolution images (jpeg or png file format). One action and one portrait image if possible

Utilise the word limit, it is important to be succinct. Ensure you have specific, appropriate and precise information about the nominee.

Write short sentences that are concise and give specific detail. Avoid praising adjectives. List the most important information in the first few sentences, and then elaborate as necessary. Proof read your work, and then ask others (including someone who doesn't know the nominee) to review it for errors or to make suggestions.

Do not include information that is not relevant to the category. For example, the nominees playing history is not relevant and will be disregarded.

Typed nomination forms are preferred however if submitting a hand written nomination use black ink and write or print as clearly as possible.

If an individual has been nominated in a previous year they are still eligible for this year's award so nominate them again.

### **Time to start writing the nomination form:**

Organise your thoughts carefully and follow the nomination form. Focus on key points, detail accomplishments, as well as their impact and describe how the nominee has made a difference to create a unique picture of your nominee.

Provide the awards panel with complete information about the nominee. The panel will only assess on the facts and information given in the nomination form.

Verify all information on the form. Winning nominations are checked carefully to verify all information that is submitted. Any false statements will disqualify the nomination.

### **Award Categories**

This section gives descriptions of the award categories, together with key evidence the judging panel will be looking for when making their decision. In addition the summary of the 2016 National winners has been provided to assist nominations.

### **Grassroots Coach Award**

- Outstanding contribution to netball club coaching as a volunteer, for a minimum of 3 years
- Nominees should have made a particular impact between 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017
- Nominees must be affiliated to England Netball
- Coaches must hold an up to date coaching qualification

#### **2016 Winner**

##### **Tracy Watt**

Tracy coaches at all levels from grassroots to performance, adults and children. She is a great mentor and coach to all her players, following their development closely, always ready to support, answer questions and guide her athletes and fellow coaches. Tracy is a dedicated and well respected coach who has had a positive impact on so many players, ensuring they have a positive experience in netball. She is noted for being a fair and objective coach who is able to coach in 4 different teams even when they may be playing against each other. Laura Robbins aged 12, sums this up 'I had never played netball before I came to Wootton Bassett NC. I love Tracy being my junior coach and I can't wait for next season'.

## Grassroots Officials Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball officiating as a volunteer for a minimum of 3 years.
- This award can include umpiring, match bench officials, scorers, mentors and assessors.
- Nominees should have made a particular impact between 1st April 2016 and 31st March 2017
- Nominees must hold an England Netball Officiating Award
- Nominees must be affiliated to England Netball.

### Winner 2016

#### Sarah Weston

Sarah has an abundance of energy and ideas and works tirelessly to introduce and update systems which improve umpiring standards within Avon. Examples include: Setting up a mentoring network, annual umpiring workshops, creating the 'Avon Umpire Log Book', establishing an umpire feedback system, an online forum as well as ensuring the Avon Umpires look professional by sourcing and distributing Umpire clothing to all. She never fails to demonstrate a fair and professional approach to her own umpiring as well as her roles as a committee member, mentor, tutor and assessor.

## Muriel McNally Grassroots Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball delivery through administration, coaching or officiating at grassroots level for a minimum of 10 years.
- Nominees must be affiliated to England Netball.

### Winner 2016

#### Hollie Wright

Hollie lives and breathes netball she has been playing since the age of 9 and attended her first coaching course at 14, when she became part of the Yeovil Netball Club Junior Coaching Team, she has been coaching at the club ever since. She has undertaken a variety of roles including Treasurer, Marketing Assistant and now Chair and has been instrumental in encouraging more people to get involved and volunteer, coach and play netball in Yeovil. She played a pivotal role in ensuring the clubs sustainability when longstanding volunteers retired.

## Mary Bulloch Administrator Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball delivery, through administration, for a minimum of 3 years.
- Nominees should have made a particular impact between 1st April 2016 and 31st March 2017
- Nominees must be affiliated to England Netball.

### Winner 2016

#### Linda Dyer

Linda loves a challenge and is always driving the Netball South West Board forward. She successfully leads the Performance TSG, ensuring all Counties have access to outreach and CPD opportunities. She coordinates various workshops as well as the NSW Games Conference and is responsible for enabling closer links to Team Bath, which culminated in a joint awards ceremony for the SW Golden Globes. She also secured free facilities, sourced medals after identifying a need for a State School Only competition, which saw over 30 schools taking part. These examples really are the tip of the ice berg, Linda is clearly a great asset to the Netball Family.

## Teacher Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball through delivery in the education environment.
- Nominee must have volunteered for a minimum of 3 years and this to be outside their statutory responsibilities as a teacher.
- Nominees should have made a particular impact between 1st April 2016 and 31st March 2017
- Nominee or their educational establishment must be affiliated to England Netball.

### Winner 2016

#### Rachel Masterman

Rachel has raised the profile and popularity of netball from a low key sport to the most popular sport in the school, with 20% of pupils (over 140) now playing netball. She runs sessions every morning before school during lunch times and after school, there are now 11 teams which compete in area and county leagues and tournaments. Rachel also encourages girls to join netball clubs, get involved in volunteering, coaching and officiating outside of school, currently 50% of her plays are members of external clubs.

## Young Volunteer Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball as a volunteer under the age of 25 years old. The nominee should have volunteered for a minimum of 2 years in any capacity of netball.
- Nominees should have made a particular impact between 1st April 2016 and 31st March 2017
- Nominee, their educational establishment or netball club must be affiliated to England Netball

### Winner 2016

#### Taylor Throw

Taylor volunteers to help both within her netball club and beyond in many capacities, she is now a qualified level 2 coach and is working towards her C award Umpire qualification. In addition to coaching and umpiring she has also helped develop and update a new club website, assisted with the marketing and promotion of the club as well as helping to organise fixtures and the clubs presentation evenings.

## Outstanding Netball Club Award

- Presented to a netball club who has made an outstanding contribution within their community
- Nominated clubs must be affiliated to England Netball and hold a current CAPS award
- Nominated clubs must have been active for a minimum of 3 years
- Nominated clubs should have made a particular impact between 1st April 2016 and 31st March 2017

### Two Winners in 2016

#### Reckitt Benckiser Netball Club

Reckitt Benckiser has given a sense of belonging and purpose to many different sectors of the community, the club prides itself on catering for diverse standards of players. The Club's vision is to Develop the Future of Netball, supporting their volunteer workforce, coaches, officials to raise standards and ensure being part of the club is fun and enjoyable for all. They have secured funding from various pots, both local and national and have developed strong relationships within the local community to drive opportunities for all from High 5 to Walking Netball.

#### Hucclecote Netball Club

Hucclecote is known as a high achieving club, with numerous individual and team successes. However, key to their success over recent years has been 'Hucclecote Giving Back' and the time generously given by their volunteers. The club's volunteers work hard to share their knowledge and expertise with other clubs, helping them to develop coaches, umpires and players. The club really are at the top of their game with the opportunities they provide for Junior development, coaches, umpires as well as supporting the local community, they even have links with Inter Gulf Championships in Dubai and clubs in the Gulf.

## Unsung Hero Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball through the delivery of club netball. The nominee should have volunteered for a minimum of 5 years in any capacity within club netball.
- Nominee or their club must be affiliated to England Netball

### Winner 2016

#### Brenda Blanc

Brenda is known across Essex Met as a figurehead of Netball, she coaches, officiates, mentors and volunteers across the sport. She is always willing to help anyone. Brenda is the head coach at OPA Netball Club for both adults and juniors. She also runs Back 2 Netball Sessions, supports sessions in Further Education and has been a driving force in developing Netball provision in the Newham Area. Brenda's passion for netball shines through in everything she does, and despite personal challenges, she always finds time for the sport she loves so much. Thank you Brenda.

## Inclusion & Diversity Award

- Developing netball to address equality for the inclusion and participation of all people
- Initiatives to equip the disadvantaged and overcome barriers to participation
- Engaging with communities, not-for-profits and other cause-related organisations
- Providing opportunity and seeking to address diversity in the administration and governance of netball ie. Board diversity, Youth Advisory.
- Activity must have taken place between 1st April 2016 and 31st March 2017
- Nominees **do not** need to be affiliated to England Netball for this award

### Winner 2016

#### London Sport – Claire Smith

London Sport's Claire Smith has been instrumental in developing a new and innovative version of netball catering for care home residents unable to stand without assistance. Drills and games have been developed together with training for activity co-ordinators from 5 care homes. They have also provided a bundle of appropriate equipment to get them started. The result has been 75 care home residents regularly enjoying sitting netball sessions, and 2 care homes have taken this further and are running inter-generational activities to include visiting families. They have seen an improvement in residents' co-ordination skills and residents report feeling fitter and happier.

## Exceptional Contribution to Netball Awards

The Rose Award and National Long Service are presented at the discretion of the National Panel and as such are not guaranteed to be presented annually. The Rose Award and the National Long Service Award are not awarded at Regional level; all nominations should be made using the specific nomination form for the award and returned directly to England Netball.

## Rose Award

- Volunteers or an organisation, are eligible to be nominated
- The award is open to none affiliated England Netball members
- The nominee will have made an exceptional contribution to netball in any capacity with particular impact between 1st April 2016 and 31st March 2017
- Quality of service is important not length of service

### Recipients 2016:

#### Foundation of Light

Utilising the funding from the Premier League, the Foundation of Light have delivered a comprehensive netball programme that goes above and beyond the minimum requirements for the Premier League programme. The relationship between England Netball regional (North East) and National, Netball Clubs, Franchise and Foundation of Light is unique.

The Foundation of Light are building a multi-million pound Centre of opportunity called the Beacon of Light which will see netball as one of the 4 key sports. This will provide a home and base for the Wearside Wildcats enabling them to grow and develop as a club and provide a home for Netball in South of Tyne and Wear.

The Foundation of Light has showcased netball in the region and at national events. The 2014 winner of the National Golden Globe for Coaching (Charlotte Rush) has been funded and supported by the Foundation of Light. The 2016 winner for Foundation of Light regional PL4S awards was Lauren Cook a netballer whose passion for netball has been supported by the Foundation of Light

## National Long Service Award

- Volunteer must be affiliated to England Netball
- Volunteering must be for a minimum of 25 years at County, Regional, National or International level and be outside playing history
- Volunteering can be split to achieve a minimum of 25 years' service
- Self-nomination is permitted
- All nominations must be seconded by a County Association

### Recipients 2016:

#### **Vanessa McErlain-Naylor**

26 years of dedicated service to Netball, starting as a League representative on the county board and subsequently carrying out virtually every significant role within her county. Currently she is Chair of Lincolnshire County Netball Association, sits on the Regional Performance TSG and is also a National Competition Referee.

#### **Christine Laundry**

A valuable contributor to the Netball Family for over 40 years, Christine has been deeply involved in performance coaching in the East Region. An effective mentor and educator she has been part of the Coaching Chain for many athletes.

#### **Valerie Janet Challiss**

For 56 years Netball has been the sporting centre of Valerie's life. From Secretary of the North London League for 15 years, she has been with the Bracknell and District League since 1975, also serving as Committee Member, Chair, Secretary, Umpiring Secretary and is currently Administration Secretary for Umpires.

#### **Cheryl Dewhirst**

Cheryl has carried out many valuable roles in the North West, Yorkshire and Humberside Regions. She was also active with the AENA where her involvement included Competition Review and 9 years on the Board.

#### **Patricia Anne Meadows**

Patricia has held roles as Coach, Selector, Vice-chair, Chair of the Schools Committee and other organising roles over the last 47 years. These roles have been undertaken for Essex Met Netball Association, The East Region and England Netball.

#### **Rita Shea**

Since the 1970's Rita has served on the Essex Met Netball Association Board. Holding roles from County Umpire to Treasurer she has been Chair since 1986.

#### **Margaret Fuller**

In her 32 years with Essex Met Netball Association Margaret has been Treasurer and Affiliation Secretary since 1986. She also schedules the Leagues since 1998 and has when necessary stepped up to the Regional Board as Treasurer for a short time.

#### **Louise Swainson**

Louise has been a driving force for Netball for over 25 years. She has been a coach since 1991, devoting 5 hours a week to develop the juniors. She has also been instrumental in the creation of Wakefield Wildcats.