

Proposed Changes To The SPMS COTY Award - From February Meeting - To March Discussion @ Meeting - To Proposal At April Meeting To be Up For Discussion and Vote during May Meeting
May, 2017

Coaches Chair Report:

Below are the proposed changes to the SPMS COTY award for criteria, scoring, and date of presentation change. This comes from Mark Moore's proposal to make the award more SPMS criteria friendly and the National COTY criteria completely separate from this award to determine a winner for the LMSC COTY, date of presentation proposed in April, by Christine Maki, and proposal of changes to be voted on during the May SPMS meeting.

SPMS Awards

Coach of the Year Award

1. The purpose of this award is to recognize the SPMS swimming coach who has demonstrated outstanding coaching qualities, club development and overall SPMS participation.
2. The criteria for the award are as follows:
 - a. The coach and club have been members of SPMS during the year under consideration.
 - b. A Coach of the Year award recipient may only win this award two times in a five year period.
 - c. The criteria for the award will be considered first, since **November 1st of the preceding year to November 1st of the current award year (i.e., 11-01-2016 to 11-01-2017)**, and second, over the coach's career with his or her club. Outstanding contributions to his or her club and its individuals are measured by the following competitive and non-competitive factors:
 - i. Accomplishments over the past year (club and individual). Club size and growth. Club results at Nationals, regionals **meet**, open water, postal events, etc. Records set. All Americans and top ten ranked swimmers, etc.
 - ii. Publications, articles, clinics, lectures, etc, **that are for SPMS and/or USMS**. Submit copies of articles, publication names, clinic dates with their location and number of participants in attendance. Include dates and topics of lectures.
 - iii. Contributions ~~to USMS~~ and SPMS. Meets hosted, clinics run, SPMS positions, presentations, speaking engagements, etc.
 - iv. Long-term contributions to Masters Swimming. Number of years as a Masters coach, special accomplishments, etc.
3. Nominations and Selection
 - a. There shall generally be one award given.
 - b. A nomination announcement shall be published in the appropriate SPMS Newsletter. Nominations may be made by any registered SPMS member using the SPMS Nomination Form and listing the criteria above and the instructional and inspirational qualities of the coach.

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c. The nominating form and a maximum of four supporting letters from registered SPMS swimmers shall be submitted to the Chair of the Coaches Committee by ~~March 15th~~ **November 1st**.

d. The Chair shall appoint a Selection Committee of three members. Each committee member will separately evaluate submitted information according to the criteria listed above, ~~ranking his or her top three nominees~~ so that ~~the top-rated~~ **each** nominee receives one point, ~~the second-rated nominee receives two points, and the third-rated nominee receives three points~~ for each criteria met, listed **above**. The nominee with the ~~lowest~~ **highest** aggregate score from among the committee members shall be the winner. In the event of a tie score, the Selection Committee shall meet as a whole to determine a winner from among the tied nominees based on the submitted information for the nominee's overall career with his or her club.

e. The award shall be presented on **a Saturday** at the SPMS Short Course ~~Yards Meters~~ Championships.

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4. **If the SPMS Coach of The Year recipient should meet the criteria for the USMS National Coach of The Year award and ~~U~~ upon approval by the SPMS Coaches Committee, the Chair shall, by July 1st, send all documentation for the SPMS Coach of the Year, in the format requested by USMS, to the USMS Coaches Committee for consideration as USMS Coach of the Year.**

Past Recipients

2016 **Nancy Reno**

2015 Chad Durieux

2014 Victor Hecker

2013 Mark Moore

2012 Chad Durieux

2011 Mary Jackson Lombard

2010 Ken Brisbin

2009 Chad Durieux

2008 Nancy Reno

2007 Vanessa Mesia

2006 Tom Boyd

2005 Victor Hecker

2004 Mark Moore

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2002 Carole Shigaki

2001 Michael Collins

1999 Brandon Seider

1998 John Kocker

1997 Gerry Rodrigues and Rick Goeden

1996 Gary Reese

1995 Philip Hayman