



Recognition Awards Policy

Background

Watsonia Warriors Junior Basketball Club places great emphasis on recognising those who have made a significant contribution to our Club. As such, the Club presents various awards and trophies to recognise both on-court and off-court contributions.

Ted Saw Award (introduced in 2010)

In early 1970, Ted Saw wanted to involve his son in a sport that he himself played and enjoyed. He recruited seven boys from the local neighbourhood and entered them in the Eastern Districts Junior Basketball Association as "Watsonia Heights".

Over the seasons that followed, the number of teams grew and Ted coached as many as six teams on a Saturday, all at different venues. Ted trained the boys in Fitzroy, Bundoora, Lower Plenty, in fact anywhere he could find a vacant building.

A Committee was soon formed to manage the needs of a growing club and Ted Saw was the inaugural Secretary/Treasurer.

In 2010, the Club introduced an award, to recognise the contribution that Ted Saw made to the establishment and development of our Club. The Ted Saw Award is not given lightly and only to those who have gone above and beyond the call of duty, and also passed the eligibility criteria.

To be eligible for the Ted Saw Award, which recognises loyal service to the Club, a member must have:

- served a minimum of 7 years as an active member of the Club in committee, coaching and/or team manager roles
- performed with respect, dignity and honesty in these roles

Granting of the Ted Saw award is an annual event at the discretion of the Club's Committee. Nominations for the award can be forwarded to the Club President at any time. A final decision on award recipients will be made at a committee meeting in time for presentations to take place at the clubs annual presentation day.

Player Graduation Certificates (introduced in 2012)

This award was introduced in 2012 to recognise players graduating from our Under 18 ranks who have given loyal service to the Club. The award is granted as a Graduation Certificate upon completion of each player's final season at the Under 18 level.

Granting of the Player Graduation Certificates is an annual event at the discretion of the Club's Committee. Nominations for the awards can be forwarded to the Club President at any time. A final decision on award recipients will be made at a committee meeting in time for presentations to take place at the Club's annual presentation day.

Coach's Award Trophies

One "Coach's Award" trophy is provided to each team in both the Winter and Summer seasons.

The coach of the team is accountable for deciding the recipient of the Coach's Award trophy using whatever criteria he/she wishes. The recipient's name must be provided to the Committee by the advised due date.

A member of the Committee will be assigned the task of collating a list of Coach's Award trophy recipients and arranging the provision of trophies.

Trophy presentations will be arranged by each team individually for the Winter season and will be at the Club's annual presentation day for the Summer season.

Most Valuable Player (MVP) Trophies

One MVP trophy is provided to each team in both the Winter and Summer seasons.

The coach of the team is accountable for deciding the recipient of the Most Valuable Player trophy. The coach has the option of involving any or all of the coach, team manager, players and parents in this decision. Voting can either be once-off or on a game by game basis. The recipient's name must be provided to the Committee by the advised due date.

A member of the Committee will be assigned the task of collating a list of MVP trophy recipients and arranging the provision of trophies.

Trophy presentations will be arranged by each team individually for the Winter season and will be at the Club's annual presentation day for the Summer season.

Participation Awards

One Participation Award is provided for every player who takes part in the Summer season.

Players who regularly substitute for other Warrior's teams will only receive a Participation Award for their registered team/s.

A member of the Committee will be assigned the task of collating a list of Participation Award recipients and arranging the provision of awards.

Participation awards will be presented at the Club's annual presentation day.