



West Ottawa Ringette Special Recognition Awards

Robert MacKean Novice Coach of the Year Award (Fun1, Fun2, Fun3)

With our Novice Coach of the Year Award, WORA aims to celebrate and applaud the Novice level (Fun1, Fun2, Fun3) coaches who exemplify the great model that Robert MacKean set for us as a coach and mentor. Throughout all of his numerous seasons as a Novice level coach, Robert focussed on the fundamentals and taught his young ringette players the importance of hard work, fair play, and teamwork. The recipient of this award reflects the coaching standards of the West Ottawa Ringette Association, which include:

- showing respect for players, officials, opponents and parents;
- supporting a philosophy of fair play and learning through encouragement;
- demonstrating concern for the development of the athlete;
- demonstrating initiative and a willingness to learn and further their own understanding and development in ringette;
- demonstrating a commitment to further their own coaching skills.
- potential recipients are nominated by the membership and the Executive vote based on the nominations received.

Robert MacKean Award - created to honour the memory of Robert MacKean and his contributions to the sport of ringette - both in West Ottawa, and the region. Robert was first and foremost a 'Ringette Dad', who got hooked on the sport when his daughter Heather started to play the game. By the time his younger daughter Jenny became a "Bunny", Rob was a veteran ringette coach, who had also served as President of the Goulbourn Ringette Association and the National Capital Region Ringette League. Robert was a perpetual "student" of the sport; he tried to stay up to date on new ideas and strategies as a ringette coach, and kept himself educated on what was happening in the sport locally around the National Capital region and throughout the province. He encouraged ringette players to not only play this great sport for as long as they could, but also to give back to the sport they loved through the coach-in-training and officiating programs.

Recipient's name is engraved on the permanent trophy and they receive a commemorative item.

Ruth Baker U19 (Belle) Leadership Award – "long term dedication and commitment"

- presented to a 'graduating' U19 player who has been with ringette for many years as a player and perhaps also in other capacities – referee, coaching, etc.
- recipient is someone who is regarded as an on- and off-ice role model for other players
- the recipient is selected by the U19 team coaches.

Recipient's name is engraved on the award plaque and they receive flowers and a \$50 gift card.

Mary Green Award – "for outstanding service and dedication"

- recipient is someone who has provided many years of dedicated service to the association and/or the sport – might be someone leaving the association
- Executive vote based on the nominations received from the Executive.

Recipient's name is engraved on the permanent trophy and they receive a commemorative item.

Louise E. Holloway Memorial Award for Volunteer of the Year – "willing to contribute"

- recipient is someone who has gone above and beyond in terms of contributing to the association and its goals over the past year (must be a non-player)
- potential recipients are nominated by the membership and the Executive vote based on the nominations received .

Recipient's name is engraved on the permanent trophy and they receive a commemorative item.

J.D. Green Spirit Award – “to the team that demonstrates true team spirit”

- awarded to the team that has demonstrated true team spirit and good sportsmanship throughout the season
- potential recipients are nominated by the teams themselves and the Executive vote based on the nominations received.

Recipient team’s name is engraved on the permanent trophy and each player receives a keeper trophy.

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