

## HARNESS RACING NSW AWARDS CRITERIA

### Annual Awards

The following awards are awarded annually:

<b>Category</b>	<b>Decided By</b>	<b>Criteria</b>
Champion Driver	HRNSW Premiership Table	The Driver with the most number of official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table.
Champion Trainer	HRNSW Premiership Table	The Trainer with the most number of official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table.
Champion Junior Driver	HRNSW Premiership Table	The Junior Driver with the most number of official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table. Drivers must be 23 years of age or younger or younger at the commencement of the season to be eligible.
The Centurions	HRNSW Premiership Table	Any Trainer and/or Driver with 100 or more official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table
Junior Driver Encouragement Award	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of five nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Drivers are selected on a number of criteria including general behaviour, conduct in the Stewards Room, driving record, performance statistics and professionalism.
Junior Trainer Encouragement Award	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of five nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Trainers are selected on a number of criteria including general behaviour, conduct in the Stewards Room, training record, performance statistics and professionalism.
Volunteer Appreciation Award	HRNSW Board Members	The Board of HRNSW seeks to acknowledge the contribution of volunteers nominated by NSW harness racing clubs and/or training/trialling facilities. Any volunteer that is honoured with this Award cannot receive one again for a period of five years. Any volunteer that has been nominated by a club that does not receive an Appreciation Award on that occasion can be nominated again in subsequent years.

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Best Club with a feature race to a maximum of \$50,000 (but no less than \$25,001)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected on a number of criteria including crowd, on and off course turnover, promotional activities, media presence, prizemoney and any other factor unique to their event.
Best Club with a feature race to a maximum of \$25,000 (but no less than \$14,001)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected on a number of criteria including crowd, on and off course turnover, promotional activities, media presence, prizemoney and any other factor unique to their event.
Best Club with a feature race to a maximum of \$14,000 (but no less than \$12,001)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected on a number of criteria including crowd, on and off course turnover, promotional activities, media presence, prizemoney and any other factor unique to their event.
Best Club with a feature race to a maximum of \$12,000	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected on a number of criteria including crowd, on and off course turnover, promotional activities, media presence, prizemoney and any other factor unique to their event.
Best Community Engagement Club	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected based on how they engaged their local community at their Carnival of Cups race meeting.
Best Fraternity Engagement Club	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected based on the way they engaged the harness racing industry at their race meeting.
Best New Innovation Club (Promotion/Marketing)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected based on the promotion and marketing innovations which enhanced the exposure of their Carnival if Cups meeting and provided patrons with a new on course experience.

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NSW Sire of the Year	HRNSW Point-score	Based on a pre-determined HRNSW point-score the top five stallions are listed as nominations with the overall winner being the horse which has accumulated the most points.
NSW Broodmare of the Year	Harness Breeders NSW Point-score	Based on a pre-determined Harness Breeders NSW point-score the top five broodmares are listed as nominations with the overall winner being the horse which has accumulated the most points.
NSW Owner of the Year	UDRS System	Based on the UDRS point-score the top five owners are listed as nominations with the overall winner being the owner(s) which has accumulated the highest UDRS rating.
NSW Breeder of the Year	UDRS System	Based on the UDRS point-score the top five breeders are listed as nominations with the overall winner being the breeder(s) which has accumulated the highest UDRS rating
NSW Indigenous Participant of the Year	UDRS System	Based on the UDRS point-score the top five Indigenous Participants are listed as nominations with the overall winner being the Indigenous Participant which has accumulated the highest UDRS rating
Hobby Driver of the Year	UDRS System	Based on the UDRS point-score the overall winner being is the Hobby Driver which has accumulated the highest UDRS rating.
Hobby Trainer of the Year	UDRS System	Based on the UDRS point-score the overall winner being is the Hobby Trainer which has accumulated the highest UDRS rating.

## Special Awards

The following awards are not awarded annually. They are special awards and are bestowed based on merit.

Living Legend	HRNSW Board Members	The Board of HRNSW seeks to acknowledge the substantial achievements made by a person involved in the NSW harness racing industry over a long period of time. This Award is strictly merit based and is not necessarily given each year.
Don Clough Appreciation Award	HRNSW Board Members	Reflecting the contributions of the gentleman after who it is named, the Board of HRNSW seeks to acknowledge the contribution made by a person to the NSW harness racing industry over a long period of time. This Award is strictly merit based and is not necessarily given each year.
Voluntary Contribution Award	HRNSW Board Members	The Board of HRNSW seeks to acknowledge the voluntary contribution made by a person to a number of Clubs and/or Associations to which they are not directly connected with. This Award is strictly merit based and is not necessarily given each year.
Outstanding Service to the Breeding Industry	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of nominations is prepared by the Executive of Harness Breeders NSW, and a recipient is considered by the Board of HRNSW in consultation with the HRNSW Management. This Award is strictly merit based and is not necessarily given each year.