

# Vitality Goiden Globe Netball Volunteer Awards 2020 Nomination Information

## 1. Helpful definitions and examples of roles

### **Volunteer:**

Someone who gives their time and talents freely to make netball happen, and is not paid more than out of pocket expenses. They could be appointed or elected and have a clear role description outlining their responsibilities and support available.

### **Grassroots:**

Netball being delivered within a local area (e.g. at club, school, university or youth club), developing skills and providing wide and positive social change that is of benefit to the community.

### **Coach:**

A person who is involved in the direction, development, training or instruction of netball activity and holds a netball related coaching qualification.

### **Official:**

A person who is involved in supporting the game through the role of an umpire or technical official and holds a netball related officiating qualification.

### **Other volunteer roles:**

Other volunteer roles include areas where an individual is significantly contributing time / talents or skills to develop netball on or off the court. Examples of roles that exist include:

- Committees and leaders:
  - o Individuals who support ongoing activities like club meetings through to building strategies to develop local netball opportunities. Exist at school / college, University, club, league, county, regional and national levels. Areas of expertise on committees can range from Finance (Treasurer), Governance, Safeguarding, Marketing & Communications, Competition, Coaching and Officiating, Volunteering to name a few.
- Area specific experts:
  - o Volunteers who add specific skills and experience to netball as a one-off or through regular support. Could be within early stages of the performance pathway (selection) as a Selector / Talent Identifier, more broadly supporting the development of a number of volunteers in a specific area e.g. as a mentor or through a specific netball offer such as being a Para Netball British Sign Language (BSL) interpreter.
- Session facilitators:
  - o A significant number of volunteers who started might have begun their journey as a Walking Netball or Back to Netball participant and now help grow the sport leading these sessions. Volunteers might be delivering these sessions supporting their club or a local Netball Development Officer or even as part of a partnership e.g. the Women's Institute.
- Match days and events:
  - o Roles at events can include, flag bearing, ball patrol, event crew, hospitality, ticketing, media support and programme selling. In addition to the events England Netball run, Regions, Counties, Superleague Franchises have a number of opportunities at the competitions and community events they deliver including Vitality Netball Superleague Match Days. A friendly face providing a warm welcome and investing significant time and effort in the smooth running of local netball events.

## 2. Nomination Information

England Netball holds a National celebration to bring together volunteers from across the country contributing significant time, effort and energy to recognise and celebrate the value they add by enriching lives through netball.

There are two ways volunteers are invited to the National Event scheduled to take place this year in Birmingham on Sunday 12 July 2020.

1. Being shortlisted as a Regional winner in one of eight categories (most Regions hold a regional celebration and their Regional Office will have information about where / when these local celebrations will take place),  
OR
2. Receiving or being shortlisted for a national award (Inclusion and Diversity Award, an England Netball Rose Award or an England Netball Long Service Award),

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The award categories aim to cover the breadth of ways volunteers contribute to help grow netball in England and provide quality and memorable experiences to those playing the game.

**NOMINATION DEADLINE:**  
**Midnight on Sunday 1 March 2020**

## 3. How to Nominate

Anyone can nominate a netball volunteer by completing the official GGNVA England Netball nomination form. These forms can be downloaded from the England Netball [website](#) or for a hard copy please contact your regional office.

To submit a Regional Award nomination (8 main categories), email your nomination to the Regional Office and details are listed below:

### North East

Email: [northeast@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:northeast@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: Room 317, No 5, Ellison Terrace (access via No. 3), Ellison Place, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 8XS

### North West:

Email: [northwest@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:northwest@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: Netball North West, The National Cycling Centre, Stuart Street, Manchester, M11 4DQ

### Yorkshire

Email: [yorksandhumber@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:yorksandhumber@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: Yorkshire Netball, English Institute of Sport - Sheffield (EISS) Coleridge Road Sheffield, S9 5DA

### East Midlands

Email: [eastmidlands@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:eastmidlands@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: Netball East Midlands, SportPark, 3 Oakwood Drive, Loughborough, Leicestershire, LE11 3QF

### West Midlands

Email: [westmidlands@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:westmidlands@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: Netball West Midlands, Walsall Campus Sports Centre, University of Wolverhampton, Walsall Campus, Gorway Rd., Walsall, WS1 3BD

### East

Email: [east@engandnetball.co.uk](mailto:east@engandnetball.co.uk)

Post: Netball East, C/O Active Luton, Wigmore Hall, Eaton Green Road, Luton, Bedfordshire, LU2 9JB

### London and South East

Email: [londonandsoutheast@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:londonandsoutheast@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: England Netball, London and South East Regional Office, House of Sport, 190 Great Dover Street, London, SE1 4YB

### South

Email: [south@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:south@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: Netball South, Bisham Abbey National Sports Centre, Bisham Village, Marlow Road, Bisham, Marlow, SL7 1RR

### South West

Email: [southwest@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:southwest@englandnetball.co.uk)

Post: England Netball, South West Regional Office, Somerset Activity & Sports Partnership, Castle Road, Chelston Business Park, Wellington, Somerset, TA21 9JQ

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## 10 top tips for a successful nomination:

1. Read the nomination form and guidance notes carefully before starting your nomination.
2. Be sure to answer all of the questions, each piece of information requested in the form, provides guidance to the awards panel, omissions could mean they don't understand the breadth of contribution of your nominee.
3. 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.
4. Each nomination is to be accompanied by two high resolution images (jpeg or png file format). One action and one portrait image if possible
5. Keep to the word limit. Ensure you have specific, appropriate and precise information about the nominee.
6. Avoid praising adjectives. List the most important information in the first few sentences, and elaborate as necessary.
7. Get a friend or fellow netballer to proof the nomination, and then ask others (even someone who doesn't know the nominee) to review it for errors or to make suggestions.
8. Do not include information that is not relevant to the category. For example, the nominee's playing history is not relevant and will be disregarded.
9. Typed nomination forms are preferred however if submitting a hand-written nomination use black ink and write or print as clearly as possible.
10. If an individual has been nominated in a previous year, they are still eligible for this year's award so nominate them again.

## 4. Regional Award Categories (submit to your Regional Netball Office)

This section provides descriptions of the award categories, together with key criteria the judging panel will be looking for when making their decision.

In addition, a summary of the 2019 National winners has been provided to assist nominations.

### Grassroots Coach Award

- Outstanding contribution to **grassroots\*** netball coaching as a volunteer, for a minimum of 3 years
- Panel members are looking for impact demonstrated by more than just team successes
- Nominees must have:
  - Consistently committed to coaching across the three years
  - Supported the growth of local netball through the development and positive experience of netball players and or other coaches
  - Hold an up to date UKCC netball coaching qualification at any level
- Be a member of England Netball

#### 2019 Grassroots Coach Award Winner - Rosie Harris (North West)

Rosie set up the Junior Coaching programme at Wilmslow Lightning NC, a well-established programme at the club now. Recently 6 players became Level 1 coaches, and two passed their Level 2. There are 10 junior coaches at the club and more are being inspired through Rosie's efforts and the support in place through the coach mentor scheme she has developed to support the development of junior and level 1 coaches.

She also shows a huge passion and enthusiasm in all the sessions she delivers to players.

### Sheelagh Redpath Grassroots Officials Award

- Outstanding contribution to **grassroots\*** netball officiating as a volunteer, for a minimum of 3 years.
- The panel look for evidence of personal achievement as well as impact on others involved within the game.
- Nominees could be involved in umpiring, as match bench official, scorer or mentor.
- Nominees must have:
  - Consistently committed to officiating across the three years
  - Hold an England Netball Officiating Award at any level
- Be a member of England Netball

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## 2019 Sheelagh Redpath Grassroots Officials Award Winner - Hazel Nicholls (South West)

Over the last year Hazel has supported a number of club players at Paulton Rovers Netball Club, mentoring them in preparation for B and C Award umpiring courses. She encourages players to pick up a whistle and give umpiring a go for the first time. Three of Hazel's C Award umpires were given opportunities to umpire Division 1 and Premiership in both January and September and one of her C Award umpires passed her B Award in December with great results.

## Mary Bulloch Volunteer Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball delivery, in a voluntary role\* outside coaching and officiating for a minimum of 3 years.
- Nominees should have made a consistent impact over the 3 years, creating change that has benefitted netballers and the wider netball family
- Nominees must be a member of England Netball

\*refer to introductory guidance for examples of types of roles that will be considered

## 2019 Mary Bulloch Volunteer Award Winner - Dawn Cox (London and South East)

Dawn organises an annual tournament in memory of a committee member, which provides a huge number of volunteer opportunities as well as having raised over £28,000 to date for Breast Cancer Now. In addition she sets up umpiring training nights for the league and runs the line with umpires. Dawn has taught committee members to use websites and social media as well as Microsoft Access and is a kind, friendly and reliable person.

## Muriel McNally Grassroots Volunteer Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball delivery through coaching or officiating or a wider volunteer role\* at **grassroots** level for a minimum of 10 years.
- Nominees should have made a consistent impact over the 10 years, creating change that has benefitted netballers and the wider netball family
- Nominees must be a member of England Netball.

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## 2019 Muriel McNally Grassroots Volunteer Award Winner- Jackie Berry (South West)

Jackie has encouraged junior and adult players to participate in netball for over 30 years. Since establishing Bournemouth Netball Club, juniors have supported the structure enabling the club to cater for girls in Year 2 through to adulthood. Jackie administrates the entire club, runs a Back to Netball session one a week encouraging players to forms teams and enter the local league. Jackie has created a very special and unique family in Bournemouth Netball Club.

## Teacher Award

- Outstanding contribution to netball through delivery in the education environment.
- Nominee must have volunteered for a minimum of 2 years – outside of their statutory responsibilities as a teacher.
- Nominees should have made a consistent impact over the 2 years with evidence and examples provided around how they have inspired others through a positive attitude and passionate approach as a role model.
- Nominee or their educational establishment must be a member of England Netball.

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## 2019 Teacher Award Winner - Hayley McCalister (South West)

Hayley established netball leagues for the Poole and East Dorset area which run successfully. In 2018 the year 7 league has 19 teams entered within an A and B pool – the highest number of entries since beginning the leagues. Her new school, Parkstone Grammar School, have a record number of entries this year to. Hayley has developed links with local feeder schools within Poole and Parkstone Grammar School students are now umpiring in Year 3 – 6 High 5 competitions.

## 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 coaching, officiating or within a wider volunteer role\*
- Nominees should have made consistent commitment and difference to netball over the 2 years
- Nominee, their educational establishment or netball club must be a member of England Netball

\*refer to introductory guidance for examples of types of roles that will be considered

## 2019 Young Volunteer Award Winner - Isabella Cottrell (East Midlands)

Izzy is part of the junior coaching team at Dronfield Netball Club and supports a group of Young Leaders at training sessions and summer camps. During her 'A' levels, Izzy was involved in a Special Educational Needs and Disability Programme at her school. She planned and ran weekly netball sessions for the group. She has started delivering session to students at a school in Sheffield and in November 2018 was awarded the UK Coaching, Heather Crouch Young Coach of the Year.

## Outstanding Netball Club Award

- Presented to a netball club who has made an outstanding contribution within their community
- Nominated clubs must have been active for a minimum of 3 years
- Nominated clubs should have made a consistent impact across the three years within the local community evidencing how and what they have changed to benefit its netballers and/or the wider netball family.

Nominated clubs must be a member of England Netball and hold a **current CAPS** award

- The panel will be looking for **more than just competition success** from nominees.

## 2019 Outstanding Netball Club Award Winner - Phoenix Netball Club (North West)

Phoenix Netball Club is outstanding because of the impact it has on individual club members. This year's focus on holistic health has enabled the club to embed the 5 ways to wellbeing into how the club is run. The club has achieved two player of the season awards for Liverpool League Division 1 and 3 and were crowned Division 3 Champions as well as winners of the Jim Harrison Cup. In 2018 the club trained two level 1 coaches, ten First Aiders and 5 new umpires.

## Unsung Hero Award (within a Club or a League)

- Outstanding contribution to netball through the delivery of **club or local league** netball.
- The nominee should have volunteered for a minimum of 5 years in voluntary capacity supporting the development of club or league netball through a consistent commitment across the 5 years, a positive and passionate attitude overcoming challenges or gaining skills that benefit netballers or the wider netball family.
- Nominee or their club must be a member of England Netball

## 2019 Unsung Hero Award Winner - Ruksana Moress (North West)

Ruksana has delivered Back to Netball sessions for 10 years to over 150 women from disadvantaged areas, it was a breakthrough for her to support women from the BME community and those with mental health issues involved in sport. In October 2018, Elite Netball Club were the only club in Blackburn to represent 3 diverse teams at league level and Ruksana coached Blackburn League Runners Up in 2017. She is pioneer for netball having coached the One Voice Blackburn Juniors and inspired them to become a Club.

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## 5. National Awards (submit your nomination form to the National Office)

The Inclusion and Diversity Award, Rose Award and National Long Service Award are presented at the discretion of the National Panel and as such are not guaranteed to be presented annually.

The Rose Award, Pass on your Passion awards and National Long Service Awards are not awarded at Regional level; **national nominations** should be made using the specific nomination form for the award and returned directly to England Netball

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3 Oakwood Drive  
Loughborough  
LE11 3QF

Or emailed to [volunteering@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:volunteering@englandnetball.co.uk)

### 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 within the previous 2 years (January 2017 – December 2019)
- Nominees **do not** need to be a member of England Netball

#### 2019 Inclusion and Diversity Award Winners

**Shaharun Nessa, Star Netball Club and Helen Thorneloe**

### England Netball Rose Award

- Volunteers or an organisation, are eligible to be nominated
- The nominee will have made an exceptional contribution to netball in any capacity in the previous 18 months (1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 – March 2020)
- Quality of service is important - not length of service
- The wider skills, experience and value they have added to netballers and / or the wider netball family is the focus
- Nominees or organisations **do not** need to be affiliated to England Netball

#### 2019 England Netball Rose Award Winners

**Molly Rhone, Sheelagh Redpath and Brian Worrell, Imogen Greatbatch**

### England Netball National Long Service Award

- Volunteering can across the three capacities (Coaching, Officiating and wider roles)
- Nominee must have committed a minimum of 25 years (as at 31 December 2019) at County, Regional, National or International level and must not include the volunteer's playing history
- Volunteering can be split to achieve a minimum of 25 years' service
- Self-nomination is acceptable
- All nominations must be supported by a County or Regional Association (chair or voce chair to sign on its behalf)
- Nominees must be a member of England Netball

#### 2019 National Long Service Award Recipients

**Claire Daly: Dawn Heron: Jane Hadfield: Jayne Bell: Jean Davies: Linda Andrews: Margaret Warren**

**Syd Smiles: Mary Kilby: Val Sanders: Mary Slade: Barbara Verlander: Jan Burke, Carol Shaughnassy**