



## **RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION (NSW)**

### **VOLUNTEER ENCOURAGEMENT OF THE YEAR AWARD**

Without our volunteers we wouldn't be able to survive. Whether a volunteer gives one hour a week or 10 hours, we fully appreciate the time we are given. Every volunteer deserves acknowledgement, respect and our thanks. Nominees for the Volunteer Encouragement of the Year Award show the 'RDA Spirit' - an all encompassing passion for horses and rider achievement. They encourage others, are respectful of other volunteers, riders and the horse.

#### **Award Criteria:**

- ❖ The volunteer must be 18 years or over.
- ❖ The volunteer must have been active at an RDA (NSW) Centre for a total time not exceeding 5 years.
- ❖ Each Centre may nominate up to two (2) volunteers each year.
- ❖ Each nomination must be forwarded to the Regional Rep by 31<sup>st</sup> December.
- ❖ Nominations received after the closing date cannot be accepted under any circumstances.
- ❖ The award is presented at the RDA (NSW) Annual General Meeting held in May of the year following the nomination.

#### **Selection Process:**

- ❖ Each Regional Representative organises a non-RDA (NSW) member of the community to review all nominations for the region and select the winner for the region.
- ❖ Each Regional winner is forwarded to the State Office (PO Box 710 Sydney Markets) by 10<sup>th</sup> March in the year of the AGM.
- ❖ State Office organises a non-RDA (NSW) member of the community to review all regional nominations and select the overall State winner.
- ❖ Regional Volunteer Encouragement of the Year Award winner will be notified before the AGM.
- ❖ The recipient of the Volunteer Encouragement of the Year Award will be notified before the AGM in May and must attend the AGM for the presentation of the Award.

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## NOMINATION FORM

Name of Nominee:				
Address:				
Home Phone:		Mobile:		How often attends:
RDA (NSW) Region:		RDA Centre:		Years of Service:
<p><b>Acknowledgement of Nomination:</b></p> <p>I agree to my nomination for Volunteer Encouragement of the Year and for all information provided and any photo, video, image to be used for publicity of RDA (NSW) for example via FaceBook, web page, media publications.</p>				
Name of Nominee:				
Signature of Nominee:		Date:		
<p><b>Supporting Statement of Nomination:</b></p> <p>The Management Committee support this nomination as acknowledgement of the enthusiasm, support and good work the nominee provides our Centre.</p>				
Name of Centre President:				
Signature of President:		Date:		

**Note:**

- ❖ Nomination must be accompanied by a colour photograph of the volunteer
- ❖ Photograph must be at least 10cm x 15cm

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### Supporting Information

Please provide the following information regarding the nominee. Information can be entered in bullet points or free form. **Maximum of 500 words.**

Tell us about this volunteer - their qualities, capacities in which they serve your Centre and how they have enhanced the quality of service for your clients.



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