Athletic Union Awards Criteria

The Annual Athletic Union Awards will take place at the Athletic Union Dinner on Friday 3rd May 2013. There are 6 main awards on offer and additional individual awards to recognise sporting success on or off the field.

SPORTS WOMAN OF THE YEAR

One award is given annually for the sports woman of the year. This is based on a high level of sporting achievement as well as representation for the club and University.

SPORTS MAN OF THE YEAR

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FRESHER OF THE YEAR

One award is given annually for the fresher of the year who has shown noticeable talent within the club or team. This can either be based on a good level of sports achievement and representation for the club or improvement in skill shown through the year.

COACH OF THE YEAR

This is awarded to the individual who has played a significant role in the development of a team or club, contributing to their success during this academic year.

TEAM OF THE YEAR

This is awarded to one team who can show evidence of having excelled in their sport through this academic year.

CLUB OF THE YEAR

This is awarded to one club who can show evidence of having excelled in their sport through this year and who have achieved "off the pitch" success in other areas such as effective management, fundraising and club development.

AU PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING ACHIVEMENT

The AU President's award is given to one individual who has demonstrated achievement in sport beyond all others, on or off the field.

Colours and Honours

Sporting Excellence

Full Colours – shall be awarded to students who have represented their nation on an international stage at full senior level. This is the highest recognition that can be awarded to any student for sporting achievements whilst at Cardiff University.

Half Colours – shall be awarded to students who have represented their nation at University or Junior level, or consistent representation at county level.

Sports Club Contribution

Club Honours – shall be awarded to the student who has contributed most significantly to the success of the club during this academic year going above and beyond their call of duty. This is the highest recognition that can be awarded to any student for their contribution to their sports club and the Athletic Union.

Club Colours – shall be awarded to students who have shown particular dedication to their club. This may have been demonstrated by loyalty over three or more years. Exceptional circumstances where an individual has made a significant impact over a shorter period will also be considered.

Further Information

- All award categories are open to all affiliated sports clubs and registered members of the AU
- All evidence of achievements along with dates must be submitted with each nomination
- Other exceptional sporting achievements will be considered and Half or Full Colours may be awarded
- Colours can be awarded to students in any year of study, but an individual is only eligible to receive each award once.
- Full and Half colours may be awarded for sporting achievements during the summer of a student's graduation

For each nomination, please submit full details of the how an individual, team or club has met the criteria above. If you don't provide sufficient information, we may not be able to recognise a nomination.

All nominations will be considered by the Awards Committee.