University Rugby Awards 2024

Award	Description	Criteria
		We recommend you use the STAR model for all nominations (situation, task, action, result)
Outstanding Club Award	To celebrate a University Club or club committee who have demonstrated an outstanding and consistent commitment to the values of the game.	Reflecting on all that you have achieved, describe how the club or club committee has demonstrated outstanding and consistent commitment to any or all of the RFU Core values of; - Teamwork - Respect - Enjoyment - Discipline - Sportsmanship Nominations should give specific details of; - what has taken place - who has been involved - the impact it has had
Outstanding Coach Award	To celebrate a coach or coaching team that have demonstrated innovative and creative approaches to the game, with a demonstrable positive impact on results and/or the wellbeing of club members	 how diversity and inclusion has been considered and embedded in the club's or club committee's activity This nomination may be for staff (i.e. paid) or volunteer coaches (who may be students or external to the university) either individually or recognising a coaching team that have worked together. It is intended to specifically recognise the vital role that coaches play in supporting students on and 'off the pitch' throughout the season, and the creative and innovative ways in which they have achieved this. Nominations should give specific details of; who is nominated and their role what has taken place the impact it has had how they have contributed to cultural change within the club (related to diversity and inclusion)
Unsung Hero Award	To celebrate a referee, coordinator, medic, staff member or support team who go above and beyond in	This nomination is intended for the unsung hero who works tirelessly to support rugby activity or your club. Nominations should give specific details of; - who is nominated and their role - what has taken place - the support qualities demonstrated

	support of rugby or your rugby club	- the impact it has had
Outstanding Student Volunteer Award	To celebrate a student who has made a significant contribution to the game through their volunteering.	 This nomination is intended for those students that have volunteered to support their club, teammates, or the wider student rugby community through volunteering their time. Nominations should give specific details of; who is nominated and their role what has taken place the impact it has had
Tom Miller Award for Social Impact	To recognise a club or student who has demonstrated considerable impact through charitable or awareness raising endeavours.	This award has been created to recognise and support the legacy of Tom Miller who through his advocacy for the Oddballs charity raised awareness and significantly impacted both the university and wider rugby community. Nominations are sought for clubs or individuals who have demonstrated considerable impact through either charitable or awareness raising endeavours. It should be noted it is not simply about raising the most money! Nominations should give specific details of; - who is nominated and their role - what has taken place & why - the impact it has had
Vaughan Parry Williams Award for exceptional contribution to student rugby	To recognise someone who has changed the game through their exceptional contribution or service to university rugby.	 This special award is intended for an individual, who through their role or volunteering has made an exceptional contribution to administering, fostering, encouraging and extending delivery or any other aspect of university rugby across their institution and the wider University sector. This is not an annual award but will be presented when the awarding panel feel there is a nomination of outstanding merit. Nominations should give specific details of; who is nominated and their role what has taken place the impact it has had on student rugby

Rugby For all - EDI	To recognise an	This award is intended to highlight the positive contribution of university rugby to increasing equality, diversity and
Award	individual, coach,	inclusion in the game. Nominations are sought for individuals, coaches, referees, teams or clubs that have actively
	referee, team, or club	taken steps to be inclusive and/or improve their diversity and equality practices.
	that has taken positive	
	action to improve	Nominations should give specific details of;
	diversity and inclusion	- who is nominated and their role
	in the university game.	- what has taken place
		 how it has contributed to cultural change within the club (related to diversity and inclusion)

If the panel feel that the nomination better fits another category, they have licence to transfer the nomination.