**TEAM BRUNEL BALL 2025**

**AWARDS CRITERIA**

Please note, the awards will be shortlisted and decided by the elected Team Brunel Committee. Each award will be awarded to the club/individual that the committee feels best meets the criteria below.

**Club Colours\*** – Club colours are the opportunity for each club to recognise individuals who, in the opinion of the club have delivered significant contributionsover their time as a member. This may be within their role as a member of the committee, or it could be contributions despite NOT being a member of the committee e.g. an individual who has shown loyalty in representing the club on the field of play. The main focus will be that the individual has gone above and beyond what is naturally expected of a club member.

**Half Performance Colours\* –** The nomination should describe and provide evidence that the individual nominated has excelled in their performance of their chosen sport at Brunel. Given the high level of achievement within Team Brunel, successful candidates are likely to have achieved selection through Brunel for county or regional representative squads, achieved individual county or regional success, or maintained a high ranking in their chosen sport.

**Full Performance Colours\*** – Only the highest level of achievement will be accepted for Full Performance Colours. These are awarded to individuals who have achieved exceptional performance**.** Supporting evidence should detail how the individual’s performance equates to national/international recognition, and their successes whilst competing for Brunel.

**Fresher of the Year –** This is awarded to a club member in their first year who has shown potential and enthusiasm towards a club and has stood out in front of their peers. The Committee will consider their overall contribution to their club and will also take into account any achievements to their sport outside of university.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Playing success for the club.*
* *Loyalty and commitment to the club both on and off the field.*
* *Evidence of where the individual has gone ‘above and beyond’ to support the development and performance of the club.*
* *Dedication and accomplishment within their sport outside of university.*

**Sportsman/Sportswoman of the Year –** Celebrates the domestic and/or international sporting success of a current student studying at Brunel, who has represented Team Brunel this academic year.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Performances at national and international competitions.*
* *Representative honours and sporting achievements over the last 12 months.*
* *If a BUCS sport, BUCS performance, such as winning BUCS medals, trophies and points.*

**Club Person of the Year –** This is the highest award possible in recognition of a student involved in the running of their club. The winner has displayed an outstanding level of effort and contribution, which makes them invaluable to their fellow members and to the Union of Brunel Students.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Evidence of where individual goes ’above and beyond’ the expectations of their role.*
* *Impact on the club’s performance programme/competitive offer to its members.*
* *Development and/or support of the club’s social participation initiatives and offers for its members.*
* *Coordination and delivery of club events, competitions and fixtures.*
* *Working with the union, NGBs and other partners to enhance the opportunities available to the club’s members and the wider Brunel community.*
* *Marketing, communication and promotion of the club.*
* *Supporting the club’s engagement with Union and University initiatives such as CASES, Varsity and Freshers.*

**Charity Club of the Year –** This title is awarded to a club that has made a positive impact on society via fundraising and volunteering.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Getting involved in varied charity events as a club.*
* *Hosting charity events to fundraise.*
* *Raising awareness on campus of charities and causes.*
* *Having a positive impact on society via a commitment to volunteering.*
* *Amount of money fundraised for charity.*

**Membership Engagement Award –** This award considers the calibre of activities and management of a club and how it benefits their membership. The areas considered are: development, coaching opportunities, chances to progress, membership levels, involvement and participation, inclusiveness, social opportunities and value for money.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *The club works successfully within union processes to fulfil fixtures, events and other club activity.*
* *Contributes to the intramural/social sport opportunities on campus, increasing participation opportunities for the Brunel community.*
* *The club has a varied level of opportunities on and off the court in a playing and social capacity.*
* *Opportunities are provided for member development, e.g. via coaching courses, development conferences, volunteering opportunities.*
* *High level of involvement in University, Union and Team Brunel initiatives, campaigns and events, helping to make a difference and enhance the experience of all students at Brunel.*
* *Commitment and dedication to ensuring that the club effectively tracks attendance for all training sessions.*

**Online Presence of the Year –** This award celebrates the club that best engages students and promotes their activity through social media platforms.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *The club is always providing new and exciting content for their members to engage with.*
* *The social media is student-led and run by the club themselves.*
* *The platform is aimed at encouraging students to join the club with high quality videos/pictures and active posting on the platforms available to them.*
* *Evidence of the social media presence with analytics of engagement, posts and views if possible.*
* *Evidence of videos, pictures, rosters provided throughout the year e.g. Instagram reels, fixture sheets, competition run-downs, charity event exposure.*
* *Utilising any unique qualities of the social media platforms.*

**Most Improved Team –** This is awarded to the team that has demonstrated the greatest development from previous years, on a playing level.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Much improved performance in their sport in BUCS, NGB or international competitions. Results and finishing positions from competitions should support this application.*

**Most Improved Club –** This is awarded to the club that has demonstrated the greatest development from previous years, on an operational level. This may include membership increases and implementing opportunities for members.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Further development of committee structures and roles to improve the club.*
* *Further development of a coaching structure that provides a well-managed and high level of coaching to all members, catering for their differing abilities and aspirations.*
* *Introduction of innovative, student led projects that have increased participation, membership and inclusion of the club.*
* *Development of a diverse range of opportunities available to members, both competitive and social.*
* *Enhanced financial management of club finances to ensure that the club can fulfil activity and provide opportunities for its members.*
* *For competitive clubs only, the club have put measures in place to ensure that they have fulfilled all fixtures, not giving away any walkovers, and don’t have any no shows for individual competitions.*
* *Developed a more proactive and creative marketing and communication approach that has increased engagement and has recruited new students to the club.*
* *Formed links with NGBs and community stakeholders that have increased the resources/efficiency of the club.*
* *Better engaged with Union run initiatives such as the CASES scheme, Active@Brunel, Varsity, and Fresher’s/Refreshers.*

**Coach of the Year** *–* This is awarded to any coach of a sport club who has gone above and beyond the service that would be normally expected of them. The coach will have made an outstanding contribution to not only the performance of the teams but also the overall running the club over the last year.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Works with the club committee to direct the development of the club.*
* *Assists club member's personal development.*
* *Contributes to the club’s and/or individuals’ excellent performance in competition.*

**Team of the Year –** This is awarded to the team that has achieved the greatest success in regards to on field performance.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *Outstanding performance in their sport in BUCS, NGB or international competitions.*
* *Titles, competitions and championships won.*

**Club of the Year –** Awarded to the club that the Team Brunel Committee considers has provided the best service to its members and the Students Union as a whole. This can include social, recreational, competitive activities and contribution to the CASES scheme. The committee will look at the capability of a club to achieve a high standard in all areas and take this into consideration when deciding the winner.

*Areas of consideration for this award:*

* *A well rounded, functioning committee with clear roles and responsibilities enabling the club to perform at its potential with regards to the membership experience it delivers.*
* *A coaching structure that provides a well-managed and high level of coaching to all members, catering for their differing abilities and aspirations.*
* *Innovative, student led projects that have increased participation, membership and inclusion of the club.*
* *Diverse range of opportunities available to members, both competitive and social.*
* *Sound financial management of club finances to ensure the club can fulfil activity and provide for members.*
* *For competitive clubs only, the club have put measures in place to ensure that they have fulfilled all fixtures, not giving away any walkovers, and don’t have any no shows for individual competitions.*
* *Proactive and creative marketing and communication that has increased participants and recruited new students to the club.*
* *Links with NGBs and community stakeholders that have increased the resources/efficiency of the club.*
* *Engagements with Union run initiatives such as the CASES scheme, Active@Brunel, Varsity, and Freshers/Refreshers.*
* *How the committee has worked with club members to improve the quality of provision and the overall student experience.*

**Activator of the Year** **–** This title is awarded to the Activator that has made the most impact to their Active@Brunel session (**This will be submitted by the Sports Development placement role).**

Areas of consideration for this award:

* Evidence of where individual goes ’above and beyond’ the expectations of their role
* Develops the format/structure of their session to benefit the programme in the long term.
* Shows commitment and dedication to the sessions they operate – this includes high attendance, punctuality and flexibility.
* Register good attendance through Google Sheets.
* Provides an additional event alongside the regular session.
* Great social media presence, clearly showcasing the benefits of the session on the Active@Brunel and relevant club’s social media pages in a fun and creative manor.

***\*All colours awards are only awarded to an individual once during their time at Brunel, so each club member can win each award once, but cannot win the same award again.***

***Nominations close on Sunday 27th April 2025***