



The MWR Solicitors
Preston**SportsAwards**2008

Friday, March 14th, 2008
at The Guild Hall, Preston



Guest Speaker
Steve Smith
Olympic Bronze
Medalist

Preston Sports Awards 2008...

Celebrating and recognising the huge amount of talent, dedication and commitment to sport shown by so many people, continually helping to raise the sporting bar in Preston.

Preston Sports Forum with Preston City Council are delighted to present the 3rd annual Preston Sports Awards, our chance to honour so many unsung heroes and local sporting champions of the city. The awards will take place on Friday, 14th March, 2008 at The Guild Hall. There are 16 awards up for grabs, and it is an ideal opportunity to recognise excellence across all areas of sport. The full list of awards and criteria are detailed below.

Award Categories

For each award the judges will be looking for winners who demonstrate some of the following qualities:

Coach of the Year

sponsored by **Preston City Council Sport & Recreation**

someone dedicated to sport who...

- Has committed time and expertise working in one or more sectors (club, school, community, competition)
- Made positive contributions (developing their club, other coaches)
- Overcome particular challenges (hard to reach areas, lack of facilities)
- Please include qualification/ length of time in their sport

Club of the Year

sponsored by **Barclays Commercial Bank Lancashire Team**

- Has made a positive contribution to their sport/ community
- Has made a difference to people's lives
- Has committed time and expertise working with other sectors (school, community)
- Has overcome particular challenges (hard to reach areas, lack of facilities)

Young Volunteer of the Year (16 - 24 years)

sponsored by **Care @NW**

- Made a positive contribution to sport
- Given time to help others in their sport

Rising Star (under 18 years of age)

sponsored by **Advance Performance**

- Young person who has the potential to go all the way (2012)

Achievement/Performance of the Year:

(4 Awards)

1) Male Junior

sponsored by **Garratts Insurance Brokers**

2) Male Senior

sponsored by **Cadley Community Club**

3) Female Junior

sponsored by **Preston College**

4) Female Senior

sponsored by **Advantage Management Accountants Ltd**

- Won or achieved status in a local/regional/national event/sport
- Made significant progress reflected in performance/time over the last year
- Set a personal best time in chosen event/sport

Disabled Athlete of the Year

sponsored by **MWR Solicitors**

- Won or achieved status in a local/regional/national event/sport
- Made significant progress reflected in performance/time over the last year
- Set a personal best time in chosen event/sport
- Has achieved status in more than one sport
- Has made an immediate impact in an event/discipline



Steve Smith
Olympic Bronze Medalist

Guest Speaker: Steve Smith

Steve Smith is Britain's most successful ever high jumper having won a medal in every major championship including the Olympic Games, and we are proud to announce that he will be attending the 2008 Preston Sports Awards. The Olympic bronze medalist and British Record holder will be giving a fascinating insight into elite level performance, his experiences as a world class athlete and showing how belief in your goals, mental toughness and a resilience to failure are absolutely crucial to your sporting success.

.....so get nominating and book your tickets now.

● Team Performance of the Year: (2 Awards)

1) Junior Team

sponsored by **UCLAN Sport (University of Central Lancashire)**

2) Senior Team

sponsored by **Ambulant**

- Won or achieved status in a local/regional/national event/sport/competition
- Made significant progress in status/achievements over the last year
- Demonstrated commitment/dedication as a team over the last year

● School Team of the Year

sponsored by **Select Education**

- Won or achieved status in a local/regional/national event/sport/competition
- Made significant progress reflected in status/achievements over the last year
- Demonstrated commitment/dedication as a team over the last year

● Community Organisation of the Year

sponsored by **MCK Partnership**

- Made a real difference to your community with sport
- The group has assisted local development
- Raised funds or assisted charity through club development

● Higher/Further Education Team of the Year sponsored by **Bowker BMW**

- Won or achieved status in a local/regional/national event/sport/competition
- Made significant progress reflected in status/achievements over the last year
- Demonstrated commitment/dedication as a team over the last year

● Special Recognition/Service to Sport sponsored by **Central Lancashire PCT**

- Outstanding voluntary contribution and commitment to sport that has made a real difference to many people

● Lifetime Achievement

sponsored by **John Turners and Sons Ltd**

- Long-term dedication, contribution and commitment that has had a huge impact on sport



Nomination Form

Please complete all questions providing enough detail to allow the judges to properly assess your nomination, you are allowed to provide additional information that you feel will support your nomination.

Nominees can only be entered for one category per nomination form, if you wish to make more than one nomination, please photocopy this page. Alternatively, additional forms are available from the Tourist Information Centre, local Leisure Centres or can be downloaded from: www.preston.gov.uk/events

**Completed forms should be sent to: Preston Sports Awards 2008, c/o Sports Development, Preston City Council, The Guild Hall, Lancaster Road, Preston, PR1 1HT.
The closing date for entries is Friday 22nd February 2008.**

Your Details

Name	
Address	
Postcode	
Contact Telephone No	
E-mail	
Position in club or relation to nominee	

Category Entered (please tick)

<input type="checkbox"/>	1. Coach of the Year*	<input type="checkbox"/>	9. Disabled Athlete of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. Club of the Year*	<input type="checkbox"/>	10. Team Performance of the Year Jr
<input type="checkbox"/>	3. Young Volunteer of the Year* 16 - 24 years	<input type="checkbox"/>	11. Team Performance of the Year Sr
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Rising Star* (under 18)	<input type="checkbox"/>	12. School Team of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Achievement/Performance of the Year Jr Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	13. Community Organisation of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Achievement/Performance of the Year Sr Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	14. Higher/Further Education Team of the Year
<input type="checkbox"/>	7. Achievement/Performance of the Year Jr Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	15. Special Recognition/Service to Sport
<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Achievement/Performance of the Year Sr Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	16. Lifetime Achievement

Juniors are under the age of 18.

*Preston winners in this category will automatically go on to the Lancashire Sports Awards 2008.

Category nominating for	
Name of individual team or club	
Address	
Contact Telephone No	
E-mail	
Sport	

Brief description of why they deserve an award

Achievements and/or Qualification/Accreditations

Areas where difficulty has been overcome

Categories 1,2,3 & 15 only

How many people have benefited from their work?



Nominations

Anyone involved in sport can nominate an individual, team, club or group. The nominee must either be a Preston sports club or an individual that resides in or is a member of a club in Preston. Simply complete the nomination form, and return to the address by the deadline. All nominees will be notified before the event and will receive a complimentary ticket for the awards. Winners will be announced on the night.

Event Information:

The 3rd annual Preston Sports Awards evening will be taking place on Friday, 14th March, 2008 in the Guild Hall, Preston.

The evening will start at 6.45pm and conclude at approximately 11pm.

There will be a waiter served meal, followed by a multi-media presentation and the awards ceremony. The awards themselves will be presented by our special guest speaker, Olympic bronze medalist, Steve Smith, and a number of local sporting champions, including Sir Tom Finney.

Ticket Information:

Tickets for the event are available to buy on request from Preston City Council's Sports Development unit and cost only £17.50 each. Contact details below.

Event Contact:

If you have any questions or enquiries about the event, require additional nomination forms or would like to purchase tickets please contact:

Sports Development (Kate or Martin)
Preston City Council, The Guild Hall,
Lancaster Road, Preston PR1 1HT
Tel: 01772 906188
Email: k.dixon@preston.gov.uk or
m.robinson@preston.gov.uk
Website: www.preston.gov.uk

For further details about Preston Sports Forum or to become an affiliated member please email the forum secretary c/o:
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