



2021 Football Victoria Community Awards Nominations

Football in Victoria is made possible because of the thousands of volunteers, administrators, coaches, referees and Clubs that each have inspirational individuals who dedicate their time to the sport.

The Football Victoria Community Awards (FVCA) provide us with an opportunity to shine a light on our community heroes for all the fantastic work they do. It is their contribution that is the glue which brings football fans, players and the entire football family even closer together.

FV CEO, Kimon Taliadoros, encourages everyone in our community to share the stories of football's hidden heroes and their impact on the beautiful game.

"The Football Victoria Community Awards are a platform to showcase the dedication of everyone who gives their time and their expertise to provide opportunities for Victorians to live and love football.

"Whether it be a Club that is doing incredible work in your community, or the efforts of a standout individual, I invite you to explore the categories and nominate those people that make our game so special."

There are seven categories, with each category winner to be acknowledged and presented with a plaque at a future Football Victoria event (to be announced).

The seven (7) categories are:

1. Metropolitan Club of the Year
2. Regional Club of the Year
3. MiniRoos Centre of the Year
4. Partner Organisation of the Year
5. Volunteer of the Year
6. Community Female Coach of the Year
7. Community Male Coach of the Year

We encourage all members of the football family to consider nominating those who have made an outstanding contribution to the game, including inspiring, motivating or supporting others over the past year.

Key Dates

Please note the following key dates:

Nominations Open	Wednesday, 8 September 2021
Nominations Close	Wednesday, 13 October 2021
Nominations shortlisted	Monday, 18 October 2021
Independent Judges assess and Winners determined	Monday, 25 October 2021
Winners notified	Wednesday, 27 October 2021
Awards Presentation	To be confirmed

Nomination Categories

All the nominations will be considered (there is no limit on the number of nominations you can submit). We will then shortlist applications and forward them to our independent panel of judges for their consideration.

For more information on each of the seven (7) award categories, please note as follows:

1. Metropolitan Club of the Year

This award recognises a community metropolitan football club that exemplifies the vision as a sport for all Victorians. They actively create welcoming and inclusive environments through good governance, dedicated volunteers and are committed to engaging with people from all walks of life. Nominations for this category are sought from football clubs across metropolitan Melbourne.

2. Regional Club of the Year

This award recognises a regional football club that exemplifies the vision as a sport for all Victorians. They actively create welcoming and inclusive environments through good governance, dedicated volunteers and are committed to engaging with people from all walks of life. Nominations for this category are sought from football clubs across rural and regional Victoria.

3. MiniRoos Centre of the Year

This award acknowledges outstanding delivery of the MiniRoos Kick-Off program, that gives juniors the best possible entry into football providing a fun, safe and inclusive experience for all participants. We encourage nominations from all our MiniRoos Kick-Off sites.

4. Partner Organisation of the Year

This award recognises a stakeholder that has provided significant support to ensure all Victorians, no matter what their gender or background, have the chance to get involved in football. Futsal sport centres, local government, schools, community organisations and delivery partners are encouraged to nominate.

5. Volunteer of the Year

This award celebrates a member of the football community who has made an exceptional contribution to improve the game and support others to become more actively involved in football.

We welcome nominations from all forms of football including clubs, participants, Futsal, Walking Football and affiliated programs.

6. Community Female Coach of the Year

This award goes to a female coach who has gone out of their way to make sure that participants are supported to develop both their skills and a lifelong love of football.

We encourage nominations from all formats of the game, junior and senior, male and female competitions, MiniRoos, Futsal and representative teams.

7. Community Male Coach of the Year

This award goes to a male coach who has gone out of their way to make sure that participants are supported to develop both their skills and a lifelong love of football.

We encourage nominations from all formats of the game, junior and senior, male and female competitions, MiniRoos, Futsal and representative teams.

Nomination Eligibility

Entries are invited from individuals, clubs, competitions, stakeholders and partner organisations who contribute to the delivery of football in Victoria. We want to recognise and reward all the amazing work taking place across the state including the desire to embrace diversity and make football a sport for all Australians.

Conditions:

- *Football Victoria reserves the right to determine whether a nominee, or a nominated organisation, meet the eligibility criteria for entry into the Awards.*
- *Self-nominations are accepted. Nominations on behalf of other people/organisations are accepted with their consent.*
- *National, State and Territory football employees and their immediate families are ineligible for nomination for Awards on their own behalf, however, may nominate other people or organisations.*
- *Nominations are accepted from Australian residents only.*
- *Nominations are assessed by an independent judging panel drawn from football and the broader community.*

Use of entries and promotional activities

- *By submitting a nomination form for, or agreeing to participate in the Awards, you acknowledge that you have read and agree to the terms of the Football Victoria (FV) Privacy Policy (available at www.footballvictoria.com.au/privacy or by emailing nick.hatzoglou@footballvictoria.com.au).*
- *In addition, you understand and agree that Football Australia and Football Victoria may use and disclose the personal information provided by or about you for the purpose of conducting the Awards and for any of the purposes set out in Football Victoria's Privacy Policy, which contains information about how you may access and seek correction of your personal information or complain about a breach of your privacy, and how Football Victoria will deal with that complaint.*
- *If requested by us, each award winner must participate in all promotional activity (such as publicity and photography) surrounding the winning of an Award, including a description of your project/submission, and any supporting materials supplied free of charge.*
- *You consent to us using your name, likeness, image and/or voice (including photograph, film and/or recording of the same) in any media for the purpose of promoting the Awards including promotional activity conducted by our sponsors.*

For any enquiries regarding the 2021 Football Victoria Community Awards please email Nick Hatzoglou at nick.hatzoglou@footballvictoria.com.au or via (m) 0425 733 105 during business hours.

Assessment Criteria

The independent judges will score each nomination out of 15 points. Up to five (5) points may be rewarded for each of the below equally weighted criteria:

1. *Demonstrated excellence in the nominated award category;*
2. *Created sustainable participation in football and ensured a high-quality experience for everyone;*
3. *Shown a firm commitment to inclusion by ensuring that football is a sport for All Australians including Indigenous, Multicultural, All Abilities, Women and Girls, LGBTIQ+ and many more.*