

## **MCA Awards Policy**

*Nominations are open to all MCA members. The general membership will be lobbied for their nominations through the website. All Nominations will then be forwarded to each committee for a final decision. We encourage all MCA members to submit a nomination.*

### **GUIDELINES:**

- To assist with the selection process, when nominating, please provide a brief summary of achievements for the individual being nominated.
  - Options include but are not limited to past season results and accomplishments, commitment to cycling in MB, leadership, support in coaching, commitment to youth development etc.

### **Reminder to all Chairs & Committees:**

- *Top Male and Female Rider are presented to riders in the Senior or older categories.*
- *Top Young Male and Young Female are presented to Junior or Younger*

### **Mountain Bike Awards Criteria**

#### **1. TOP MALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>1</sup> male rider, in the Senior or older Mountain Bike race categories.

#### **2. TOP FEMALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>1</sup> female rider, in the Senior or older Mountain Bike race categories.

#### **3. TOP YOUNG MALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TO<sup>1</sup> male rider, in the Junior or younger Mountain Bike race categories.

#### **4. TOP YOUNG FEMALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>1</sup> female rider, in the Junior or younger Mountain Bike race categories.

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<sup>1</sup> "TOP" is based upon:

- Number and caliber of events entered, including Local, National and International; and
- The results achieved in those events
- "Top" implies this person is the best in the province. This rider is at the Top of the sport.

**5. RIDER OF THE YEAR:**

This award is based on the accomplishments of the individual in respect to his/her overall results in their respective category. The "Rider of the Year" is not necessarily the fastest male or female in the province, but has produced consistent results throughout the season. Selection is based upon all mountain bike events participated in at a competitive level at the local, National and International level.

**6. MOST PROMISING RIDER:**

This award recognizes a rider who has demonstrated that his/her skill level shows signs of progress at a competitive level. The results achieved in the year's mountain bike competitions will be taken into consideration, however having a "winning" season is not a requirement, although it would be expected that the winner of this award would have good potential for a "winning" season in the coming year.

**7. MOST IMPROVED RIDER:**

This award recognizes a rider who has demonstrated that his/her skill level shows signs of significant improvement throughout the year, comparative to last year. The chosen rider must show dedication to the sport of cycling and commitment to training. The results achieved in the year's mountain bike competitions will be taken into consideration; however having a "winning" season is not a requirement.

**8. SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD:**

"Sportsman" defined: One who takes part in sports; one who plays fairly and generously. In addition, this award recognizes the rider who has demonstrated true dedication to the sport of mountain biking. Such dedication would be shown by participation at a significant number of events throughout the year. The winner of this award was not just a racer, but may have participated as a race official, trail builder, or volunteer.

**9. VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD:**

This award recognizes an individual(s) who has freely contributed of their time and talents to the sport of mountain biking and who has not been recognized with any other mountain biking award for the year.

**10. CLUB POINTS AWARD:**

This award is based on the total points accumulated over the course of the Mountain Bike Cup Series. Points are to be tabulated and recorded on the MCA Website on an ongoing basis. At the conclusion of the year a winner is determined.

**11. COMMISSAIRE OF THE YEAR:**

This award is based on the accomplishments of the individual in respect to his/her commitment to being a Mountain Bike Commissaire. Taken into consideration will be all mountain bike events in which the individual participates in an Official capacity.

**12. ORGANIZER OF THE YEAR:**

This award is based on the accomplishments of the individual/club in respect to their commitment to organizing mountain bike events. Taken into consideration are all mountain bike events that the individual/club organizes over the course of the season. This award is not to be based solely on the volume of races organized, also looked at are leadership in the setting up and running of the event itself as well as having sufficient volunteers and support staff to assure that the event is successful.

**Road Awards Criteria****1. TOP MALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> male rider, in the Senior or older Road Bike race categories.

**2. TOP FEMALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> female rider, in the Senior or older Road Bike race categories.

**3. TOP YOUNG MALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> male rider, in the Junior or younger Road Bike race categories.

**4. TOP YOUNG FEMALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> female rider, in the Junior or younger Road Bike race categories.

**5. RIDER OF THE YEAR:**

This award is based on the accomplishments of the individual in respect to his/her overall results in their respective category. The "Rider of the Year" is not necessarily the fastest male or female in the province, but has produced consistent results throughout the season. Selection is based upon all road bike events participated in at a competitive level at the local, National and International level.

**6. MOST PROMISING RIDER:**

This award recognizes a rider who has demonstrated that his/her skill level shows signs of progress at a competitive level. The results achieved in the year's road competitions will be taken into consideration, however having a "winning" season is not a requirement, although it would be expected that the winner of this award would have good potential for a "winning" season in the coming year.

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<sup>2</sup> "TOP" is based upon:

- Number and caliber of events entered, including Local, National and International; and
- The results achieved in those events
- "Top" implies this person is the best in the province. This rider is at the Top of the sport.

**7. MOST IMPROVED RIDER:**

This award recognizes a rider who has demonstrated that his/her skill level shows signs of significant improvement throughout the year, comparative to last year. The chosen rider must show dedication to the sport of cycling and commitment to training. The results achieved in the year's mountain bike competitions will be taken into consideration; however having a "winning" season is not a requirement.

**8. SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD:**

"Sportsman" defined: One who takes part in sports; one who plays fairly and generously. In addition, this award recognizes the rider who has demonstrated true dedication to the sport of road biking. Such dedication would be shown by participation at a significant number of events throughout the year. The winner of this award was not just a racer, but may have participated as a race official, trail builder, or volunteer.

**9. VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD:**

This award to recognizes an individual(s) who has freely contributed of their time and talents to the sport of Road biking and who has not been recognized with any other Road biking award for the year.

**10. COMMISSAIRE OF THE YEAR:**

This award is based on the accomplishments of the individual in respect to his/her commitment to being a Road Bike Commissaire. Taken into consideration will be all Road bike events in which the individual participates in an Official capacity.

**11. ORGANIZER OF THE YEAR:**

This award is based on the accomplishments of the individual/club in respect to their commitment to organizing road bike events. Taken into consideration are all road bike events that the individual/club organizes over the course of the season. This award is not to be based solely on the volume of races organized, also looked at are leadership in the setting up and running of the event itself as well as having sufficient volunteers and support staff to assure that the event is successful.

**Cyclo-cross Awards Criteria****1. TOP MALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> male rider, in the Senior or older CX race categories.

**2. TOP FEMALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> female rider, in the Senior or older CX race categories.

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<sup>2</sup> "TOP" is based upon:

- Number and caliber of events entered, including Local, National and International; and
- The results achieved in those events
- "Top" implies this person is the best in the province. This rider is at the Top of the sport.

**3. TOP YOUNG MALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> male rider, in the Junior or younger CX race categories.

**4. TOP YOUNG FEMALE RIDER:**

This award is presented yearly to the TOP<sup>2</sup> female rider, in the Junior or younger CX race categories.

**5. MANITOBA RIDER OF THE YEAR:**

This award is based on the accomplishments of the individual in respect to his/her overall results in their respective category. The “Rider of the Year” is not necessarily the fastest male or female in the province, but has produced consistent results throughout the season. Selection is based upon all CX bike events participated in at a competitive level at the local, National and International level.

### [Kids of Mud Awards Criteria](#)

**1. COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD:**

This award is designed to recognize and outstanding coach in the Kids of Mud program. Nominations will be accepted for all coaches from all levels of cycling in all areas of Manitoba. The award will go to a coach who is making extraordinary contributes to cycling, athlete development and who keeps athletes involved by making cycling fun!

**2. VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD:**

This award recognizes an individual(s) who has freely contributed their time and talents to make the Kids of Mud Program successful in Manitoba.

### [Provincial Program Awards Criteria](#)

**1. PROVINCIAL PROGRAM VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD:**

This award to recognizes an individual(s) who has freely contributed their time and talents to support the growth and success and of Team Manitoba.

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## **General Awards Criteria**

### **1. CENTURY 21 – INTERDISCIPLINARY CHALLENGE**

Awarded to the top Female and Male rider based on the following criteria:

- A) Must have raced in Cup races in all three disciplines: Mountain Bike, Road, Cyclo-cross
- B) Points are based on Cup points accumulated across all disciplines

### **2. ERICK OLAND SR. MEMORIAL AWARD:**

The recipient athlete is a member of the Manitoba Provincial Cycling team or Development team.

The recipient athlete is a role model amongst their peers in the areas of attitude, sportsmanship, leadership, and performance.

The recipient athlete demonstrates a strong potential to pursue cycling.

## **MCA LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

**The MCA Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes a member of the Manitoba cycling community who has made significant contribution to cycling in Manitoba as an athlete, coach or builder over a minimum of a ten year period. Past recipients are:**

- 2008 Eric Oland Sr
- 2009 Joe Pope
- 2010 Colin Ward
- 2011 Eric Reid
- 2012 Jim Morrison
- 2013 Jim and Joyce O'Brien
- 2014 Peter Williamson
- 2015 No Winner
- 2016 No Winner

**Please include a history of the candidate's involvement in cycling, and the value this contribution has made.**