



## Awards Policy

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The following awards are formal awards that are presented at the Annual General Meeting each year. The Alberta Bicycle will also recognize community members, volunteers, coaches etc. throughout the year through who embody the spirit of sport, through social media and verbal acknowledgements at any meetings which occur throughout the year, including the Annual General Meeting.

### **President's Award**

The President's Award is given annually to an individual who has made significant contributions to the development of cycling in Alberta.

### **Athlete of the Year Awards – Male and Female**

Athlete of the Year Awards are presented annually to the male athlete and the female athlete earning, respectively, the best results in national and/or international races. Athletes eligible for this award compete in the following UCI categories: Junior Men, Junior Women, U23 Men, Elite Men, and Elite Women.

### **Coach of the Year**

The Coach of the Year Award is presented annually to an NCCP-certified ABA coach who demonstrates a philosophy of fair play and displays respect for officials, fellow competitors, and parents. This coach demonstrates concern for the all-round development of the athlete, applies relevant training theory and coaching techniques, and demonstrates the ability to improve athletic performance.

Athlete of the Year and Coach of the Year award recipients are selected by the ABA Board of Directors. Nominations for award recipients are welcome from members of the ABA and may be directed to [info@albertabicycle.ab.ca](mailto:info@albertabicycle.ab.ca). Should a suitable recipient not be identified, the ABA retains the right not to present the awards described above.

### **Events of the Year**

The Events of the Year awards will be presented annually to one sanctioned event from each discipline, BMX, Cyclocross (year previous), Gravel, Mountain Bike, Road and Track, voted on by members of the community.

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### **Commissaire of the Year**

The Commissare of the year award is presented annually to an ABA licensed commissaire who demonstrates a philosophy of respect for the ABA, racers, and parents, while showing their understanding for the rules and regulations to ensure fair play for all competitors as well as their willingness to learn and grow in their role as commissaire. The Commissaire of the Year recipients are nominated by their peers for their standout accomplishments and tireless work at local, and national events. The Board of Directors will choose the winner from the nominations received.

### **Young Riders of the Year**

The Young Rider of the Year award will be awarded to all young riders who embody the spirit of sport in the organization. All nominated athletes will be recognized, nominations can come from coaches, club presidents, other riders, and parents.