

The Arthur Eustace Award for Coaching

Arthur Eustace was one of Athletics New Zealand's leading administrators, having served on the Oceania and IAAF Councils and was a life member of Oceania, IAAF and Athletics NZ. A champion hurdler and Empire Games bronze medallist he started his post athlete career as a coach and was passionate about coaching through until his passing in April 2018.

Arthur was a founding member of the Athletics NZ Coaches Association and an inaugural inductee into the NZ Athletic Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2006. He was instrumental in the IAAF establishing a Coaches Commission.

Arthur was Athletics New Zealand's Patron from 2009 until 2018. This award is given in his honour to recognise Coaches who are integral to Athletics. It can form an ongoing legacy by valuing and recognising a coach on an annual basis.



The Arthur Eustace Award for Coaching celebrates Coaches who demonstrate the values Arthur held around coaching Athletics, a Coach who also demonstrates the behaviours that support Athletics NZ core beliefs around coaching. It will be awarded to a coach who demonstrates;

Athlete/Participant Focus

- Establish environments that support the athlete to learn and to take responsibility for their performance.
- Tailors approach to the individual and are sensitive to their individual needs

Learning Focused

- Learns 'on the job'.
- Open to feedback on their performance (mentoring), is reflective of their own practices with a commitment to be better.

Values

- Puts aside self-interest and collaborate in the best interests of the athlete.
- Shares knowledge and work with others in the interest of increasing the capability of Coaches across the sport.

Eligibility & Nomination Process

- Coaches must be actively coaching at the time of nomination to be eligible for this award.
- Coaches currently employed by Athletics NZ High Performance are ineligible for this award.
- Individual coaches may be nominated by their athletes, an Athletics NZ Affiliated club or centre via the completion of the nomination form.
- A short list will be created by the judging panel, and the winner selected from that list.
- All applications will be acknowledged as being received by the judging panel, and of the final result.
- The winner of the Arthur Eustace Award for Coaching will be presented at the at the Athletics NZ AGM.

For further information on the Award, please contact coaching@athletics.org.nz

