

Excellence in Sport, Culture and the Arts Award Recipients

The Regional District of Nanaimo (RDN), through the Oceanside Services Committee, recognizes amateur competitors who achieve first-place standing in a sport, artistic or cultural competition at a provincial, inter-provincial or national competition. In addition, the RDN recognizes amateur competitors who have been chosen by their organization to represent Canada at a recognized international competition.

Nominees must be residents of the City of Parksville, Town of Qualicum Beach or Electoral Areas E, F, G or H and achieved their standing and achieved their standing before the nomination deadline. The RDN congratulates this year's 47 award recipients:

- Kai Devito, Isla Melanson: BC Performing Arts Provincials
- Declan Binder, Kai Aikman-Heir, Caleb Williers: BC Athletics Junior Development Track and Field Championships
- Milea Howell: Volleyball, Canada Nationals
- Ashley Thompson: Golf, Special Olympics, BC Provincial Summer Games
- Madison Sheppard: Javelin, Special Olympics, BC Provincial Summer Games
- Stephanie Button, Chris Upgaard, Brodie Stevens: Swimming, Special Olympics, BC Provincial Summer Games
- Peggy Aikman, Michelle Plamondon, Janet Suter, Tom Freeman: Ice Curling 55+ BC Senior Games
- Joe Giegerich, Glenn Befus, Jess Brewer, Terry Riggins, Patti Rogers: Track and Field, 55+ BC Senior Games
- Dyann Goodfellow, Linda MacPherson, Harry Keen: Swimming, 55+ BC Senior Games
- Cam Coss, Gary Peterson, Gerald Siemens, Krista Smith, Doris Kwasnecha, Dean Bruyckere, Ann Mcvey, Judy Shaughnessy, Angie Dobie, Steve Clark: Slo Pitch, 55+ BC Senior Games
- Timber Johnson: Badminton, 55+ BC Senior Games
- Bettina Beaven: Archery, 55+ BC Senior Games
- Rosalia Olsen: Cribbage, 55+ BC Senior Games
- Kathleen Sarton, Sarah Bloor, Jennifer Hubner: Pickleball, 55+ BC Senior Games
- Russell Kelly: Eight-Ball, 55+ BC Senior Games and Royal Canadian Legion Provincial and National Pool Championships
- Brad Uytterhagen: Eight-Ball Royal Canadian Legion Provincial and National Pool Championships
- Rob Juhasz: Eight-Ball Royal Canadian Legion Provincial National Pool Championships
- Tony Sweet: Kelowna Apple National Triathlon

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- Ian Beales: WASA BC Spring Triathlon
- Ed Fergusson, Ray Kasten: Canadian Masters Weightlifting Championships
- Shelly Stouffer: Canadian Women's Senior Golf Championships

For more information on the program, visit rdn.bc.ca/performance-recognition-program.

Quote

"Residents benefit from a wide range of recreation and cultural opportunities to develop their skills and represent their communities in events across the province and country. We're proud to recognize the achievements of the many talented athletes and performers in the Oceanside area."

Sean Wood, Oceanside Services Committee Chair and RDN Board Director.

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