



Welcome to the Paralympics Australia Awards, our chance to celebrate the extraordinary achievements of Australia's Paralympic Teams at the Tokyo 2020 and Beijing 2022 Paralympic Games.

For reasons we all know, this was an extremely challenging period. Yet, through their relentless determination, resilience and phenomenal skills, the athletes, coaches and staff who represented us at the Summer and Winter Games brought honour to themselves and captured the hearts and minds of millions of Australians at a time when the nation needed it most.

Of course, such success would not have been possible without the incredible support behind our athletes from families, friends, our fabulous corporate partners, federal and state governments and the wider Australian community. To the many people who contributed to the Australian Paralympic Team's success, we say thank you. You, as much as our stars in the sporting arena, deserve to enjoy this evening's celebration.

Jock O'CallaghanPresident

Catherine ClarkChief Executive Officer



ORDER OF EVENTS

7.05PM

Official proceedings commence

Welcome to Country

Address by PA President Jock O'Callaghan

Commencement of Awards

2020 & 2022 Rookies of the Year
2020 & 2022 Coaches of the Year
Uncle Kevin Coombs Medal
President's Award
2020 & 2022 Female Athletes of the Year
2020 & 2022 Male Athletes of the Year
2020 Team of the Year
Paralympic Medal
Hall of Fame
2020 & 2022 Paralympians of the Year

9.15PM

Entertainment

11.30PM

Event concludes

EVENT HOST



JOHANNA GRIGGS AM

Paralympics Australia is delighted to welcome Johanna Griggs AM as our Host for this ceremony.

Johanna is one of the Seven Network's most iconic personalities. In addition to hosting duties during Seven's outstanding Paralympic Games coverage in Rio, Tokyo and Beijing, Johanna has hosted Australia's number one lifestyle show, Better Homes and Gardens, for the past 17 years.

A former elite swimmer, Johanna has also presented the Seven Network's Olympic Games, Summer of Tennis, Melbourne Spring Racing Carnival coverage as well as Seven Weekend News, Sydney Weekender, House Rules, Auction Squad, House Calls To The Rescue and Australia's Amazing Homes.

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2020 ROOKIE OF THE YEAR





Ben Popham OAMPara-swimming



William Martin OAMPara-swimming



Paige Greco OAM
Para-cycling



Emily Petricola OAMPara-cycling







Josh HanlonPara-alpine skiing



Rae AndersonPara-alpine skiing







Alois Rosario Para-table tennis



Louise Sauvage OAMPara-athletics



David BettsPara-cycling







Ryan PearlPara-alpine skiing



Par Sundqvist Para-snowboard



2020 FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR





Madison de Rozario OAM Para-athletics



Paige Greco OAM
Para-cycling



Rachael Watson OAM
Para-swimming



Qian Yang OAMPara-table tennis



2022 FEMALE ATHLETE OF THE YEAR





Rae AndersonPara-alpine skiing



Melissa Perrine With guide Bobbi Kelly Para-alpine skiing







William Martin OAM
Para-swimming



Darren Hicks OAMPara-cycling



Curtis McGrath OAMPara-canoe



Dylan Alcott AO Wheelchair tennis







Mitchell GourleyPara-alpine skiing



Josh HanlonPara-alpine skiing



Ben TudhopePara-snowboard



2020 TEAM OF THE YEAR

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Para-swimming Men's 4x100m Freestyle Relay (34 points)

Rowan Crothers OAM Matthew Levy OAM William Martin OAM Ben Popham OAM



Para-table tennis Women's Class 9-10

Lina Lei OAM Melissa Tapper Qian Yang OAM



Goalball

2020 Tokyo Team

Jennifer Blow Meica Horsburgh Raissa Martin Amy Ridley Brodie Smith Tyan Taylor





Presented by Paralympics Australia CEO Catherine Clark

UNCLE KEVIN COOMBS MEDAL

Presented by Paralympics Australia Chef de Mission Kate McLoughlin

PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Presented by Paralympics Australia President Jock O'Callaghan

AUSTRALIAN PARALYMPIC HALL OF FAME



Frank Ponta



Louise Sauvage OAM



Kevin Coombs OAM



Tracey Freeman



David Hall OAM



Daphne Hilton



Sir George Bedbrook OBE

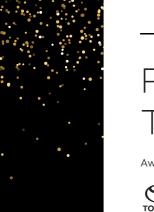


Ron Finneran OAM



Adrienne Smith OAM





PARALYMPIAN OF THE YEAR 2020

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PARALYMPIAN OF THE YEAR 2022

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PARALYMPIAN OF THE YEAR 2020 & 2022

Candidates can be nominees for Individual Athlete of the Year (Male or Female), Rookie of the Year or Team of the Year.

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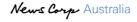












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