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## Policy Document:

### SSAGO Awards

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#### **1. Main Awards**

- 1.1. The Cutlery Cup is designed to recognise an individual who has stood out through either:
  - 1.1.1. Their contribution to SSAGO at club (including Indie) and/or National level.
  - 1.1.2. Their contribution and commitment to Scouting or Guiding.
- 1.2. The Committee Colander is designed to recognise a group of people who have stood out through either:
  - 1.2.1. Their contribution to a SSAGO National Event or a club event.
  - 1.2.2. Their contribution to a SSAGO club.

#### **2. Awarding**

- 2.1. Where possible the awards should be awarded annually.
- 2.2. Where possible the winners of the awards should be decided during the Team Pink handover by both outgoing and incoming committees.
- 2.3. Where possible the award winners should be awarded the trophy at the National SSAGO Ball.
- 2.4. If more than one candidate stands out, 'special recognition' can be awarded to other candidates.
- 2.5. If there is insufficient merit in the nominations received the awards will not be awarded.
- 2.6. Winners of the Cutlery Cup are bestowed Honorary Membership of SSAGO.

#### **3. Nominations**

- 3.1. Nominations must be open for at least three weeks.
- 3.2. Nominations must be submitted via the SSAGO website at <https://ssago.org/awards>.

- 3.3. Nominations must clearly state all that the candidates have done to deserve the award.
- 3.4. The awarding panel will not ask for further information on the candidates.

#### **4. Candidature**

- 4.1. Candidates for the Cutlery Cup must be a current member of SSAGO at the time of nomination as either an associate or full member.
- 4.2. Candidates for the Committee Colander must be a group of people containing at least one member of SSAGO who, at the time of nomination, is either an associate or full member.

#### **5. Other Awards**

- 5.1. Exceptional Service Honorary SSAGO Membership can also be conferred for life on an existing member of SSAGO.
  - 5.1.1. This is awarded at the discretion of Team Pink.
  - 5.1.2. Any member can nominate a candidate at any time as long as the candidate is a current member of SSAGO as either an associate or full member.
- 5.2. SSAGO Commendations can be awarded in order to highlight some of the amazing things happening within SSAGO that might otherwise go unnoticed.
  - 5.2.1. The categories and winners of the Commendations are chosen at the discretion of Team Pink.
  - 5.2.2. Any member can recommend candidates to the SSAGO Executive provided the candidates are:
    - 5.2.2.1. a current member of SSAGO as either an associate or full member;
    - 5.2.2.2. a group of people containing at least one member of SSAGO, who at the time of nomination, is either an associate or full member;
    - 5.2.2.3. a SSAGO project;
    - 5.2.2.4. or a local, regional or national SSAGO event since the previous round of commendations.
- 5.3. Awards in this section are not bound by the awarding and nominations procedures as outlined in points 2 and 3, however they should be used as guidelines.