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Performance Sport Events Announces New Awards Program Across Its Premier Field Hockey Events

New program launches at the Shooting Star Thanksgiving Tournament, celebrating individual achievement, sportsmanship, and club excellence.

Performance Sport Events (PSE) is excited to announce the launch of its new Awards Program, beginning with this year's Shooting Star Thanksgiving Tournament. The program will extend across PSE's four signature events, creating new opportunities to recognize individual players, teams, and clubs for their achievements, sportsmanship, and contributions to the field hockey community.

The program will be implemented across PSE's *Super 4 Events*:

- Shooting Star Thanksgiving
- NFHCA Winter Escape powered by PSE
- Shooting Star Easter/Showdown
- Shooting Star Jamboree

Award Categories

A. Player of the Game: *11 vs. 11 | U14, U16, U19*

Immediately following each game, both teams will recognize a Player of the Game from the opposing team. This recognition celebrates outstanding performance while encouraging appreciation and respect between competitors.

As part of this tradition, players will exchange a small token of recognition. This year, recipients will receive a Shooting Star trophy as a memorable symbol of their achievement.

B. Tournament All-Star Team(s): *11 vs. 11 | U14, U16, U19*

Players of the Game recipients will be tallied throughout each tournament. At the conclusion of the event, players receiving the highest number of recognitions will be named to the Tournament All-Star Team(s) per age division, celebrating consistent performance, impact, and excellence on the field.

C. Spirit Award: *7 vs. 7 | U8, U10, U12, U14*

Each umpire assigned to an eligible age division will receive one vote to recognize the team that best demonstrates sportsmanship and embodies the spirit of the game. The club or clubs receiving the most votes will be announced following the tournament.

D. Club Recognition: *Super 4 Events | Annual recognition*

PSE will recognize clubs that demonstrate a strong commitment to the field hockey community throughout the Super 4 Events cycle. Club recognition will consider participation, competitive placement, sportsmanship, and other meaningful contributions to the overall tournament experience.

Participation, placement, and sportsmanship will carry equal weight in the recognition process, while allowing consideration of additional factors that reflect a club's positive impact on the field hockey community.

The recognized club or clubs will be announced in May, following the completion of the Super 4 Events cycle.

A Celebration of Competition, Character, and Community

"We are thrilled to supplement our premier events and first-class tournaments with this Awards Program. Philosophically, this recognition program aligns with our mission and our intention to facilitate a positive and encouraging environment for competition," said Ainslee Lamb, CEO of Performance Sport Events.

"The Awards Program reinforces our mission and continues to evolve how we support players and clubs as they compete among the best. Recognizing one another, appreciating our umpires, and celebrating the contributions of our clubs are meaningful ways to strengthen the tournament experience and the field hockey community."

Program oversight will be provided by two Umpire Managers, the Tournament Director, and two designated PSE staff members to support consistency and integrity throughout the awards process.

About Performance Sport Events

Performance Sport Events (PSE) is a nationally recognized field hockey organization providing regional and national opportunities for players of all ages, playing levels, and roles within the sport.

PSE believes that everyone deserves a place to play, compete, and grow. By combining passion and commitment with field hockey expertise, the PSE team creates an ecosystem where everyone in the community has a place to excel.

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