



PGA OF CANADA NATIONAL AWARDS

# BEN KERN

COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD



The Ben Kern Coach of the Year Award is designed to recognize a PGA of Canada professional who is an outstanding coach among the ranks of the PGA of Canada membership. This award is based on a professional's overall performance in coaching; unusual, innovative and special coaching programs initiated or implemented; articles published; as well as outstanding golfers the professional has coached.

While Ben Kern's playing resume is impressive, it was his work as a teacher and coach that define his status a PGA of Canada and Canadian Golf Hall of Fame member. Kern was a co-author of the Future Links golf program; initiated and chaired Canada's first Teaching and Coaching Symposium; and coordinated the completion of the PGA of Canada's Teaching Certification Program.

## COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD GUIDELINES:

- Recognized as an outstanding coach among the ranks of the PGA of Canada membership.
- Initiation and/or implementation of unusual, innovative and/or special coaching programs.
- Publication of articles, books, magazines, etc.

## COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD CRITERIA:

### 1. Criteria to Measure

- a. Nominees must be certified within Golf's National Coach Certification Program Competition stream (Coach of New Competitors, Coach of Developing Competitors).
- b. Overall performance in coaching at their facility, zone and National levels.

## 2. Selection Process

- a. Nomination should be based on the nominee's entire past experience.
- b. Achievements during the past five years should be emphasized.
- c. National Awards Committee will select a recipient based on the criteria.

## 3. Eligible Categories

- a. Must have won this award in your Zone for the current year to be eligible to win this National award.
- b. All Class "A" Members in good standing excluding the following: Life Professional, Retired Professional, previous PGA of Canada Coach of the Year Award winners, Past Presidents of the PGA of Canada (within the past 5 years), current PGA of Canada Board of Directors, PGA of Canada National staff and PGA of Canada Zone staff.

### NOTE:

- National Awards will be presented in conjunction with Canada Night at the PGA Show in Orlando, Florida.
- In order to win a National Award, the individual member must successfully complete a criminal record check with Sterling BackCheck at [www.sterlingbackcheck.ca/PGA-of-Canada](http://www.sterlingbackcheck.ca/PGA-of-Canada).
- After successfully completing the check, the cost will be reimbursed to the winner of the National Award.
- Deadline to submit – November 7, 2019





2. Please describe the nominee's overall performance in coaching at their facility, Zone and National level to be written by person submitting nomination or external reference.  
**(250 Words Max)**

3. Please briefly describe any unusual, innovative or special coaching programs the nominee has initiated or implemented. **(250 Words Max)**



4. Please list any coaching articles, videos and/or publications the nominee has written or contributed to. Books, articles, videos and/or publications should **NOT** be submitted, but may be referenced in the nomination form.

5. Please list the names of outstanding golfers the nominee has or is currently coaching with a brief summary of their record.



6. Please describe the nominee’s involvement in growing the game of golf through juniors, women, minorities, seniors and the disabled to be written by the nominator or external reference. **(250 Words Max)**

7. Please list any awards (including National or Zone awards) the nominee has received:

AWARD	YEAR RECEIVED	NATIONAL/ ZONE

*ALL NOMINATION FORMS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY TO THE FOLLOWING EMAIL ADDRESS: [AWARDS@PGAOFCANADA.COM](mailto:AWARDS@PGAOFCANADA.COM)*

*INCOMPLETE AND/OR INELIGIBLE NOMINATION FORMS WILL **NOT** BE CONSIDERED.*

