Emerging (Young) Volunteer of the Year

This award aims to acknowledge and celebrate the exceptional efforts of young volunteers making a meaningful difference in their communities.

The award highlights those who have taken on leadership roles, actively participated in community projects, and introduced innovative ideas that enhance volunteer experiences. Additionally, it honours those who demonstrate personal growth, such as learning new skills, taking on more responsibilities, or mentoring newer volunteers.

Selection Criteria	
1.	**Duration of Service** • The nominee must have been a volunteer in the unit for less than five years.
2.	**Age Requirement** • The nominee must be under 30 years of age at the time of nomination.
3.	**Contribution to Activities** The nominee should demonstrate evidence of significant or valuable contributions to activities within the past 12 months. This could include: • Leadership roles in organising events or initiatives. • Active participation in volunteer projects that have positively impacted the community or the unit. • Innovative ideas or programmes initiated that enhanced the volunteer experience or outreach efforts.
4.	**Dedication and Commitment** • The nominee should exhibit a strong commitment to the values and mission of the unit, showing reliability and a willingness to go beyond in their volunteer efforts.
5.	**Teamwork and Collaboration** • The nominee should have a record of working effectively within a team, collaborating with peers, and fostering a positive and inclusive environment.
6.	**Growth and Development** • The nominee should show evidence of personal growth as a volunteer, including new skills learned, increased responsibilities taken on, or mentorship of newer volunteers.
By adhering to these criteria, the award aims to recognise and celebrate the contributions of emerging young volunteers who are making a difference in their communities.	