



ASSOCIATION OF TOURIST & HERITAGE RAIL AUSTRALIA

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ATHRA Awards 2009 General Rules & Conditions

General:

1. The ATHRA Awards will be awarded annually with the purpose of encouraging and recognising excellence by individuals or groups operating in the railway and tramway tourist and heritage sector.
2. The Awards will be judged in accordance with these General Rules & Conditions and the specific rules set out for each particular Award.
3. Entries for each Award may be submitted by:
e-mail: awards@athra.asn.au or
post: PO Box 259, Port Adelaide 5015.
4. Entries for each Award will close on **30th September 2009**.
5. The 2009 Awards will be announced at the Railway Heritage Conference Gala Dinner that will be held on 16th October 2009.
6. The Awards will be presented at the Gala Dinner if the recipients are in attendance but if not present, the relevant State body will arrange a presentation locally.

Judging:

7. The ATHRA Board will appoint a separate Judge or Judging Panel for each Award.
8. There will be one winner for each particular Award but in exceptional circumstances Judges may award equal winners.
9. Judges may award Highly Commended certificates at their discretion.
10. Judges may choose not to make an award if they consider the standard of the entries is inadequate.
11. At their discretion, Judges may seek additional information to assist in their determination.
12. In determining an Award, the significance of the entry to be considered in relation to the size and capacity of the entrant.
13. The decision of the Judges will be final.

Sponsorship:

14. Individuals and organisations may sponsor Awards in a form acceptable to the ATHRA Board.
15. Where a Sponsor agrees to offer a prize of money or goods to a value of \$500 or more, the Sponsor is entitled to:
 - a. Have the Award jointly named with themselves and ATHRA;
 - b. Appoint a person to assist with the judging;
 - c. Request specific rules for the particular Award; and
 - d. Place specific conditions of the use of the prize.
16. Sponsors from within the tourist and heritage sector are not eligible to enter any Award they are sponsoring.

Form of Awards:

17. The winner of each Award will receive a plaque or certificate to be held in perpetuity.
18. The recipient of an Honourable Mention will receive a certificate to be held in perpetuity.
19. The winner of any monetary prize with conditions on its use is required to provide:
 - a. A written proposal to the ATHRA Board of how the prize is to be used before the prize will be paid; and
 - b. An illustrated report for publication after the prize has been used.