Canadian Cerebral Palsy Sports Association
Donna Zorn Award

This annual award is intended to recognize someone **Making a Difference** in boccia. It is geared to someone who goes above and beyond in boccia at the community, provincial or national level.

The award was established in 2025 to honour the memory of Donna Zorn's legacy as a passionate boccia volunteer. We lost Donna too soon in February 2023.

About Donna Zorn

Donna Zorn was already an active volunteer with SportAbility in British Columbia when she became involved with boccia in the mid-1990's. At that time, her son was on the CCPSA National track team. She had little knowledge of boccia but agreed to help at the Provincial Championships. Donna quickly developed a love for the sport and went on to become a national Referee Learning Facilitator and International referee. She officiated at four Paralympic Games and served as Referee, Head Referee or Technical Delegate at numerous competitions across Canada. Donna was always eager to help and train volunteers and was always happy to see them succeed.

Over the years, Donna also held multiple board and committee positions with CCPSA and SportAbility, and was a member of the Host Organizing Committee for many boccia competitions. Her cheerful disposition and willingness to roll up her sleeves wherever and whenever needed helped make a difference throughout the boccia community.

Donna was inducted to the CCPSA Hall of Fame in 2017.

Nomination Process

Nomination Deadline: October 1, 2025 at 17:00 EST.

Nominations received after that time will not be accepted.

Once nominations have closed, the Nominations Committee will review all nominations put forward by the deadline. If successful, both the nominator and recipient will be contacted by phone.

Nominee Eligibility

- Boccia athletes, coaches, officials or volunteers in Canada
- Must be a member in good standing of their provincial / territorial boccia partner
- Be a Canadian citizen or a resident of Canada for a minimum of five years
- Posthumous nominations will not be considered
- Nominees must be open to completing a police record check

1) What must be provided with the nomination?

All nominations must include:

- Completed Nomination form (see below)

- A summary of how the nominee meets the award criteria. Include additional information to outline the Nominee's background and detail their achievements and/or contributions along with dates. Note: Maximum of two (2) pages including any supporting documentation.

- A digital photograph of the Nominee suitable for publication must be submitted with the nomination.

2) Where should nominations be sent?

All nominations should be sent, by **October 1, 2025**, to the Chair, Nominations Committee.

Attn: Donna Zorn Award Nomination Committee
Canadian Cerebral Palsy Sports Association
c/o House of Sport, RA Centre
2451 Riverside Drive
Ottawa, ON K1H 7X7
or
Email: info@ccpsa.ca using 'Donna Zorn Award' as the subject line

For more information, please contact jlarson@ccpsa.ca

CCPSA Donna Zorn Nomination Form

In addition to the nomination form below, to support your submission, please include a summary of how the nominee meets the Donna Zorn 'Making a Difference' criteria.

Include additional information to outline the Nominee's background and detail their achievements and/or contributions along with dates. Note: Maximum of two (2) pages including any supporting documentation.

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CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Name:

Home address:

City: Prov./Terr.

Email:

Phone: Postal Code:

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

Name:

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