



## BLUES AWARD

### **A BRIEF HISTORY**

In 1829 the first boat race between Oxford and Cambridge Universities was rowed on the River Thames from Hambleden Lock to Henley Bridge, distance of about 2.25 miles.

There were old Etonians in either boat and, as the crews had no distinctive uniform to identify themselves, just before the start a Cambridge Etonian tied a light blue scarf to the little post at the bow of his boat and an Oxford Etonian tied a dark blue scarf to the bow of his. Thus began a tradition and a basis for the award of Blues for outstanding achievement in university sport, a tradition adopted by English-speaking universities in many parts of the world.

From the early years of the University of Queensland Sports Unions, Blues were awarded to outstanding performers in intervarsity contests and more recently the Sports and Physical Recreation Association, through its Blues Committee, has developed a selection method with criteria and standards which ensure that the award of a Blue or a Half-Blue in this University is a highly prized and indeed a rare honour.

The presentation of a Blue or Half-Blue award is made with ceremony at a Blues Dinner and attested by a certificate. In Oxford, the Blue or Half-Blue will probably have received a hand written note from the President of his club inviting him to take part in the annual match against Cambridge. The annual Oxford versus Cambridge Rugby Match is a huge event and every time a player plays in this annual event they receive the distinction of being a Blue for Rugby in that year. A number of University of Queensland footballers have received Blues when undertaking studies at Oxford and Cambridge especially those selected as Rhodes Scholars. The great Tommy Lawton who became embroiled in what came to be known as the "Lawton Affair" eventually received three Blues from Oxford after being banned for a period for having played the professional game at the University of

Queensland.

In Track and Field Athletics, where each University may have two or more competitors in an event, the first string in each event will be awarded a Blue (unless the President considers that the athlete qualifies for a Half-Blue only) and the second and third strings, a Half-Blue. If a Half-Blue manages to win the event, they will be given a Full Blue.

To understand the standard required to be honoured with a Blue or Half-Blue award from the University of Queensland Sports Association a general rule of thumb for the Blues Committee now exists. Athletes, who represent Australia at senior level, are awarded a Blue and athletes with similar qualifications at state level or attain a particularly high ranking at Australian level in the junior listings, are awarded a Half-Blue. Each sport has more specific standards but generally the Blues Committee endeavour to keep the standards from sport to sport similar.

A Blues Honour Board displays all the recipients of the award since the University was founded in 1910 in the foyer of the Indoor Sports Pavilion.

Blues Awards are granted to University Sportpersons by the University of Queensland Sports and Recreation Association upon application by the University's Sporting Clubs. Blues are awarded to Sportpersons for sporting excellence. The nominees must be University Club members who are currently enrolled students at the University of Queensland or Graduates of the University of Queensland. The rules have changed over the years as a number of players in early years of the Club received more than one Blue. During the 1930s this rule changed when it was decided that in awarding Blues, the Blues Committee were to consider the nominees achievements in intervarsity contests and interclub meetings as well as their character and attitude toward the club. It was also decided that no members could receive a Blue in any one sport more than once, although they could receive a Blue subsequent to receiving a Half Blue.

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## FOOTBALL BLUES

YEAR	BLUE	HALF BLUE
<b>1912</b>	LLOYD, Norman Austin	
<b>1913</b>	FOOTE, Leonard Hardwick LLOYD, Norman Austin	
<b>1914</b>	BROWN, George Duncan FRANCIS, Eric FRANCIS, Stanley LLOYD, Norman Austin ROW, Allan Warren Linford	
<b>1919</b>	BRAZIER, Felix Howard FISHER, Gordon Arthur FRANCIS, Eric FOWLES, Duncan GRENNING, Victor HALFERTY, John Joseph LAWTON, Thomas	
<b>1920</b>	BROWNE, William Creighton CLARKSON, Victor Charles McCARTHY, Vincent David McCULLOCH, Alfred FISHER, Gordon Arthur HOOPER, Charles Sinclair	BAILEY, George Squires BOULTON, George Oswald BURTON, Herbert FREEMAN, Eric Bernard MCLEAN, Charles Robert
<b>1921</b>	BROWNE, William Creighton FISHER, Gordon Arthur HOOPER, Charles Sinclair HORSLEY, John Alan Talbot LAWTON, Thomas McCULLOCH, Alfred	BOULTON, George Oswald FREEMAN, Eric Bernard FRYER, John Denis WHIGHT, Thomas Burnside POWELL, Lytton Redvers Baden
<b>1922</b>	ALLMAN, Jeremiah Michael BOULTON, George Oswald FISHER, Gordon Arthur VIDULICH, John Joseph	IRVINE, Fergus Albert LYNAM, John Finley

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<b>1923</b>	AHERN, William Henry ALLMAN, Jeremiah Michael DOWER, William Peter HENDLE, John Henry McCAUGHEY, Gordon Hamilton VIDULICH, John Joseph	
<b>1924</b>	AHERN, William Henry LYNAM, John Finley	
<b>1925</b>	BIRD, George Thomas Melbourne FENWICK, Osborn Thomas GERRAND, Andrew Graham HULBERT, John McLean LYNAM, John Finley	
<b>1926</b>	BAGLEY, William Walter CARMICHAEL, Kenneth Macfarlane HULBERT, John McLean LYNAM, John Finley McDOUGALL, William Alexander NEVILLE, Paul Cyril Lobie STURTRIDGE, Gordon Short	
<b>1927</b>	CARMICHAEL, Kenneth Macfarlane HULBERT, John McLean IRWIN, John Samuel YOUNG, William	
<b>1928</b>	CARMICHAEL, Kenneth Macfarlane GEORGE, William Ian HICKEY, Michael Francis HULBERT, John McLean IRWIN, John Samuel NIXON-SMITH, Walter Fife VIDGEN, Frank Grahame YOUNG, William	
<b>1929</b>	CLARK, James Goode IRWIN, John Samuel MINES, Francis NICHOLSON, Ernest Harry Andrews VIDGEN, Frank Grahame	ANDREWS, Onslow Rutherford HAMILTON, Robert
<b>1930</b>	CHANNER, Eric Jack CLARK, James Goode HAMILTON, Robert LAWTON, Thomas McADAM, James Bannister McGRATH, James Patrick MINES, Francis	EDWARDS, John Samuel Donald FOOTE, Stewart Clarence Hale

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	NIXON-SMITH, Walter Fife PRO-COPIS, George Sandford RISSON, Robert Joseph Henry VINCENT, Fitzgerald Roxburgh WHYATT, Frederick Joseph	
<b>1931</b>	CHANNER, Eric Jack CLARK, James Goode CLARK, Phillip Andrew FOOTE, Stewart Clarence Hale HALL, Graham HAMILTON, Robert NIXON-SMITH, Walter Fife WHYATT, Frederick Joseph	RISSON, Robert Joseph Henry
<b>1932</b>	CLARK, James Goode CLARK, Phillip Andrew EDWARDS, Trevor Rice HALL, Graham HAMILTON, Robert McGUIRE, John Michael VINCENT, Fitzgerald Roxburgh WHITE, William George Searle WHYATT, Frederick Joseph	
<b>1933</b>	CHESTER, Robert Davis CLARK, Phillip Andrew HALL, Graham HAMILTON, Robert HAYES, Reginald William Higson LEE, Charles Que Fong PEARCE, Edward Tom Stanley VINCENT, Fitzgerald Roxburgh WHYATT, Frederick Joseph WILSON, Vayro William	BROWNE, John Mervyn FOOTE, Stewart Clarence STUMM, Harley Charles
<b>1934</b>	ATKINSON, Ronald John DIXON, Patrick Leslie	GRIFFIN, Charles Edgar TULLY, John Charles
<b>1935</b>	HALL, Noel Lyster RYAN, John Hartley Pennefather	SALTER, Roger Burnett
<b>1936</b>	MONTI, Ansel Italo Carrado	EVANS, John William HEMPENSTALL, Thomas Patrick NICHOLSON, Vaux Morisset SILCOCK, Philip Maynard WINDSOR, Morgan Francis
<b>1937</b>	NICHOLSON, Vaux Morisset	ELLIOTT, Richard James Hutton WENSLEY, William Neilson

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<b>1938</b>	EVANS, John William SALTER, Roger Burnett	PROCTOR, Percy Claude Richard
<b>1939</b>	STUMM, Harley Charles	FAINE, Eric Neville ISLES, Alexander Dennis
<b>1940</b>	BRIDGMAN, Peter GANNON, William John	BROAD, Edmund George DONOVAN, Francis Patrick MARTIN, William Norman O'DRISCOLL, Andrew Florence PROVAN, Donald Murchison
<b>1941</b>	COOKE, Desmond Patrick ELLIOTT, Richard James Hutton MORRISON, William John SHARPE, Gordon John	RICKETTS, Lionel George
<b>1942</b>		CHENOWETH, Thomas Norman
<b>1943</b>		HOYLING, Noel Henry Vaughan VENTON, Cedric Bruce WINDSOR, John Clement
<b>1944</b>	WINDSOR, John Clement	LOWTH, Lawrence John
<b>1945</b>	LOWTH, Lawrence John QUATERMASS, Malcolm Ernest RYAN, Thomas Joseph	FLANAGAN, Henry Patrick McGUINNESS, Edward Francis ROE, John WINNING, Keith Charles
<b>1946</b>	JOHNSTONE, Daryl WILSON, William George WINNING, Keith Charles	ELLIOTT, Charles Edward GOW, Neil Milne LEMON, Alan John
<b>1947</b>	AHERN, Edward Gilles ELLIOTT, Charles Edward ERICKSON, Colin Donald O'DRISCOLL, Andrew Florence PROCTOR, Rex William	CARROLL, John Patrick DUNN, Hugh Alexander ELLWOOD, Robert William
<b>1948</b>	CARROLL, Victor Joseph CARROLL, John Patrick DUNN, Hugh Alexander HANCOCK, Viv McLean McNAMARA, Raymond John	CLARKE, Ian Edwin
<b>1949</b>	GOW, Neil Milne MARLES, William Gordon PATANE, John Salvatore ROBERTSON, Duncan	PRIMMER, Conrad James

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<b>1950</b>	BRUSASCO, Italo Prospero CANTAMESSA, Remo Lawrence PRIMMER, Conrad James	
<b>1951</b>	HICKEY, Howard Thomas	BOAST, Jack Robert GIRLE, Albert Edward Ashley HATHERELL, William Ian LIGHTBODY, Eric William O'NEILL, John Michael
<b>1952</b>	CLARK, Raymond Arthur GIRLE, Albert Edward Ashley HATHERELL, William Ian MURPHY, John Joseph O'NEILL, John Michael SHEIL, Ainslie Glenister Ross WILSON, Charles Roy	
<b>1953</b>	RILEY, John	CRAIG, John SHEIL, Glenister Fermoy THOMPSON, John Richard
<b>1954</b>	O'BRIEN, Edward Ephrem THOMPSON, John Richard	LARKIN, Kerry Kelsall
<b>1955</b>	BREW, Francis Malcolm LARKIN, Kerry Kelsall WALLER, Kenelm George Trevithick	CRIDLAND, George William MANTEIT, Trevor John
<b>1956</b>	BAXTER, Thomas MANTEIT, Trevor John	NUGENT, Michael Anthony TURLEY, Edward George
<b>1957</b>	DONALD, Kenneth John	JAMES, Peter Michael KNOWLES, Michael Cosby OSBALDISTON, George William
<b>1958</b>	JAMES, Peter Michael	BEDGOOD, David John LINDENMAYER, Travis Erwin MURPHY, Thomas Julian
<b>1959</b>	BEDGOOD, David John HAMILTON, John Alexander LINDENMAYER, Travis Erwin	CONNERS, David Charles FINEMORE, Ross Gordon
<b>1960</b>	CONNERS, David Charles FINEMORE, Ross Gordon SHEARER, Gilbert James	ADCOCK, Henry ALP, Michael Hugh MORRIS, Peter John Glasgow OHLRICH, Gregory David
<b>1961</b>	ALP, Michael Hugh MORRIS, Peter John Glasgow	FRANZMANN, Dennis Dominic GUERASSIMOFF, Julius

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	OHLRICH, Gregory David POTTER, Robert Thomas	McDERMOTT, Lloyd Clive PARKER, Denis John
<b>1962</b>	GUERASSIMOFF, Julius MARKS, Richard James Pickett McDERMOTT, Lloyd Clive WILLIAMS, Leo Gerard	ANNING, Eric Tunbridge ARMSTRONG, Graeme James BENNETT, Francis Leslie
<b>1963</b>	WOLFE, John Keith	BECCONSALL, Clive Winston MAGUIRE, Michael Andrew TRIVETT, Richard Keal
<b>1964</b>	ANNING, Eric Tunbridge BECCONSALL, Alan Richard TRIVETT, Richard Keal	CROMBIE, David Charles DUHS, Graeme Ernest ELLIOT, Richard Geoffry MAY, Alfred VINCENT, Peter Fitzgerald
<b>1965</b>	CROMBIE, David Charles MAYNE, Norman Colburn	ALEXANDER, David Edward BROWN, Bruce Robert DELOUGHERY, Michael James MANNING, Russell Charles Sylvester TAYLOR, David Aubrey TEITZEL, Ross Gordon
<b>1966</b>	MAGUIRE, Michael Andrew TAYLOR, David Aubrey TEITZEL, Ross Gordon	COOKE, Roger Anthony HULBERT, John McLean
<b>1967</b>	MANNING, Russell Charles Sylvester BROWN, Bruce Robert	GREGORY, Stuart Carlton JENNINGS, Keith Samuel MCREADY, Stephen Peter MCNICHOLL, Lee Gerard
<b>1968</b>	GREGORY, Stuart Carlton	BELL, Keith Radcliffe CREAGH, James Matthew ESTWICK, Colin Craig
<b>1969</b>	BELL, Keith Radcliffe	GALLIGAN, Brian Graham MCINTYRE, Brian Lloyd MILLER, David James SEXTON, Dennis Richard WOODWARD, Charles Herbert
<b>1970</b>		MALONEY, Peter Foster MCNICHOLL, Paul Bernard MILLER, Richard Ian
<b>1971</b>	MILLER, David James	ROSS, Ian David
<b>1972</b>	ROSS, Ian David	BATCH, Patrick Gerard

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		CRUICE, John David MEANEY, James McDowell PEARSON, Gary John
<b>1973</b>	LOANE, Mark Edward CREAGH, James Matthew	HARTIGAN, Stephen John HENDERSON, John Spencer WILSON, James Christopher
<b>1974</b>	WILSON, James Christopher	
<b>1975</b>	BATCH, Patrick Gerard	McCASKER, Kim NOON, Graham John
<b>1976</b>		ROSS, William Scott
<b>1978</b>	NOON, Graham John ROSS, William Scott	BOMAN, Vincent McINTYRE, Andrew John
<b>1979</b>		McDONNELL, William Francis MacNISH, Brian James
<b>1980</b>	HALL, Duncan McDONNELL, William Francis	SANDERS, Guy Jon
<b>1981</b>	PARKER, Anthony Joseph SANDERS, Guy Jon	
<b>1982</b>	LYNAGH, Michael Patrick McINTYRE, Andrew John	MARTIN, Gregory John
<b>1983</b>	MARTIN, Gregory John	LILLICRAP, Cameron Paul
<b>1984</b>	LILLICRAP, Cameron Paul	NASSER, Brendan Paul
<b>1985</b>		NUCIFORA, David Vincent STURGESSION, James Richard TEMPLETON, Andrew Robert TWEEDY, Sean Michael
<b>1986</b>	NASSER, Brendan Paul	ANDERSON, Mark Andrew
<b>1988</b>		PALM, Mitchell Brice Hinkler
<b>1989</b>	NUCIFORA, David Vincent PALM, Mitchell Brice Hinkler	
<b>1990</b>	ANDERSON, Mark Andrew TWEEDY, Sean Michael	HEATH, David Clive HOOD, Matthew David LUMB, Brendan Timothy
<b>1991</b>	KASSULKE, Nigel Thomas	

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<b>1992</b>		INNES, Angus Robert
<b>1993</b>	HOWARD, Patrick William	
<b>1994</b>		AIKEN, Deena Louise HART, Christopher Patrick
<b>1995</b>		DAVOREN, Carmel Anne MURPHY, Desmond Thomas GALLIE, Price Andrew Michael COOK, Steven Patrick BARRY, Shaun Joseph
<b>1996</b>		BLANSHARD, James Anthony Lacy GLADWIN, Mieke Jane
<b>1997</b>		LAIDLAW, Bronwyn Ann SHARPE, Nathan Charles
<b>1998</b>	SHARPE, Nathan Charles LAIDLAW, Bronwyn Ann GLADWIN, Mieke Jane	PLASTOW, Andrew Roger James
<b>1999</b>		BURGESS, Richard Patrick
<b>2000</b>	MURPHY, Thomas Desmond	LARSSON, Ross Stuart
<b>2001</b>		ELPHINSTON, Ashley James JOHNSON, Nathan John NYHOLT, Richard Willem Norbert
<b>2002</b>	NYHOLT, Richard Willem Norbert	GOODE, Reece Leonard
<b>2003</b>		GRAHAM, Joshua Dan MOORE, Stephen Thomas
<b>2004</b>		BROWN, Andrew David
<b>2005</b>	BROWN, Andrew David CHAPMAN, Mitchell James MOORE, Stephen Thomas	CUTTS, Jacqueline Maria HOCKINGS, Thomas James HORWILL, James Edward WARD, Benjamin James
<b>2006</b>	HORWILL, James Edward	GILLESPIE, Brett Ross HANSON, James Elliott HOBBS, Michael Joseph Deans LINDE, Daniel Joseph John
<b>2007</b>	GILLESPIE, Brett Ross	
<b>2010</b>	HANSON, James Elliott	BUCHANAN, Timothy Edward Lewis

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		PRIOR, Ian Gareth
<b>2011</b>	PRIOR, Ian Gareth	
<b>2012</b>	FOLEY, Cornelius Timothy	BROWNING, Curtis Stuart REISER, Samuel David
<b>2013</b>	BROWNING, Curtis Stuart CHERRY, Emilee Jane	KAWA, Melanie Ruth MALOUF, Nicholas Andrew Jason ONO, Asaka PARKER, Harry Anthony
<b>2014</b>	MALOUF, Nicholas Andrew Jason GALE, Scott Terence	DALGLEISH, James William DE GUINGAND, Jack Elliott Thomas KORCZYK, Adam Michael
<b>2015</b>	KORCZYK, Adam Michael	PLEASH, Aaron James
<b>2016</b>	SCOTT-YOUNG, Angus Norman	BELESSIS, Marioulla HOCKINGS, Harry Mack JURD, Liam Alexander King POTGIETER, Philippus Rudolph RACKEMANN, Georgina May
<b>2017</b>		Clancy, Connor Joseph
<b>2019</b>	CAMPBELL, Jock Hunter HOCKINGS, Harry Mack	MORREY, Patrick William MUSCAT, Kate Anne NASSER, Joshua Samuel Malcolm
<b>2020</b>	NASSER, Joshua Samuel Malcolm	
<b>2021</b>	WRIGHT, Natalie Rosemary	GREALY, Maconal James NASSER, Isabella Lily
<b>2022</b>	GREALY, Maconal James	WRIGHT, Natalie Rosemary
<b>2023</b>	NASSER, Isabella Lily	
<b>2025</b>	MINNS, Tiarah Kiah-Beth	NASSER, Isabella Lily ROBINSON, Thomas Hunter

## **DOUBLE BLUES**

*Winners of two Blues Awards for the University of Queensland*

BROAD, Edmund George	Half-Blue Football Half-Blue Cricket Blue Cricket	1940 1940 1941
CANTAMESSA, Remo Lawrence	Half Blue Basketball Blue Rugby Water Polo???	1947 1950
CARMICHAEL, Kenneth MacFarlane	Blue Rugby Blue Rowing	1927 1928 1929
CLARKE, James Goode	Blue Rowing Blue Football	1929 1929 1930 1931 1932
CLARKSON, Victor Charles	Blue Athletics Blue Football	1920 1920
DIXON, Patrick Leslie	Blue Football Blue Cricket	1934 1936
DONALD, Kenneth John.	Blue Athletics Blue Football	1956 1957
EDWARDS, John Samuel Donald	Half-Blue Football Half-Blue Rowing	1930 1932
FREEMAN, Eric Bernard	Half-Blue Football Blue Rowing	1920 1921 1921 1922 1923 1924
FRANCIS, Eric	Blue Football Blue Cricket	1914 1919 1921
GRENNING, Victor	Blue Football Blue Hockey	1919 1924

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GUERASSIMOFF, Julius	Blue Athletics Half-Blue Football Blue Football	1959 1961 1962
HICKEY, Howard Thomas	Blue Football Blue Athletics	1951 1952
LAWTON, Thomas	Blue Football Half-Blue Athletics	1919 1921 1930 1921
McCULLOCH, Alfred	Blue Football Half-Blue Cricket	1920 1921 1922
McDOUGALL, William Alexander	Blue Cricket Blue Football	1925 1927 1926
MONTI, Ansel Italo Carrado	Blue Football Blue Boxing	1936 1936
NASSER, Isabella Lily	Half Blue Football 7s Blue Football 7s Half Blue Football XVs	2021 2023 2025
RICKETTS, Lionel George	Half-Blue Football Blue Boxing	1941 1948
ROW, Allan Warren Linford	Half-Blue Rowing Blue Football	1913 1914
VIDGEN, Frank Grahame	Blue Football Blue Hockey	1928 1929 1930
WRIGHT, Natalie Rosemary	Blue Rugby XVs Half-Blue Rugby 7s	2021 2022
WILLIAMS, Leo Gerard	Half-Blue Swimming Blue Football Blue Swimming	1960 1962 1964

## TRIPLE BLUES

***Winners of three Blues Awards for the University of Queensland***

BROWNE, William Creighton	Blue Football Blue Rowing Blue Cricket	1920 1921 1921 1921
McGRATH, James Patrick	Blue Rowing Blue Football Blue Tennis	1928 1929 1930 1930
SHEIL, Glenister Fermoy	Half-Blue Tennis Blue Tennis Half-Blue Football Blue Squash	1947 1948 1953 1959