

## **World Netball Recognises Seven with Service Awards, including Former Vice President Sue Taylor AM.**

Former World Netball Vice President [Sue Taylor AM](#) today received a World Netball (WN) Service Award at the international federation's Congress.

WN Service Awards are awarded to individuals who have made a significant contribution to the development of netball internationally.

Taylor was World Netball's Vice President from 2011, until 2021, when she reached the maximum term allowable on the Board Prior to being World Netball's Vice President, Taylor rose through the officiating ranks, and she completed four years on the Board as an Independent Director.

Taylor's citation was read out at Congress by President Dame Liz Nicholl DBE, she said: "Sue's influence and impact to netball has been felt on all levels from community to the elite.

"Her ability to form and develop relationships, be super organised, and work autonomously as well as have an entrepreneurial flare, she has guided many people and organisations to success that has left a lasting legacy.

"Sue has been instrumental to the development of the many levels of sports and has helped make World Netball what it is today."

[Annette Beckett STE](#) and [Octavia Gibson](#) from Barbados, [Leigh Gibbs](#) and [Todd Miller](#) from New Zealand, and [Joan Mills](#) and [Gordon Padley](#) from England were also

honoured with the prestigious award.

Click the names above to read the full citations of each person.

The second day of the World Netball Congress will begin tomorrow, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July, with Members set to hear from event hosts, and keynote speakers Minister Kirsty Coventry OLY, Caroline Barker, Journalist and Presenter, Stacey Francis-Bayman, former England Rose and Commonwealth Champion and Vanes-Mari du Toit, SuperSport Ambassador, who will debate the topic of “The Unstoppable Rise of Women’s, Sport Opportunities and Risks: What does this mean for our growth ambitions?”.

World Netball will be posting live updates from Congress across its social media channels. Follow us on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram to keep up to date and use the hashtag #WNCongress23 to get involved.

The WN Congress agenda and papers can be found [here](#).

For more information on Congress, visit the website [here](#).

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**World Netball**

World Netball is the sole, internationally recognised, governing body for netball affiliated to the Association of Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF), receiving funding from the International Olympic Committee.

World Netball creates a better world through netball, inspiring netballers to embrace opportunities and achieve their potential. Netball is played in more than 100 countries around the world with 79 National Netball Associations affiliated to World Netball. The associations are grouped into five Regions – Africa Netball, Americas Netball, Asia Netball, Europe Netball and Oceania Netball – each with a respective Regional Federation. Regional Federations are an integral part of the global governance structure and

assist in the implementation of World Netball policies and the development of the sport in their respective regions.

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