



## Criteria for the NZ Motorcycle Awards:

### 2025 Categories:

Qualifying period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024:

- Male Rider of the Year
- Female Rider of the Year
- Best Up and Coming Road Rider
- Best Up and Coming Off Road Rider

No qualifying period:

- Service to Motorcycling

### The Nomination Process:

- Nomination forms are sent to Clubs, Commissioners and all members
- Nominations can be completed on-line at our [website](#)
- Enquiries can be directed to [awards@mnz.co.nz](mailto:awards@mnz.co.nz)
- Nominations close on the 24<sup>th</sup> April 2025
- The judges choose 3 finalists per category
- Finalists will be announced on the 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025

### Coordinator:

The coordinator arranges a meeting where judges compare their findings and reach a consensus on the three top places in each category.

### The Judging Process:

Assessment is based on the following criteria:

- Success in international competition
- Success in national competition
- Success in local competition
- Supporting data from coaches, teams and clubs that include performance reviews, training reports and other relevant documentation.
- Additional metrics such as public engagement or influence in promoting the sport

### For Service to Motorcycling

- Service to the motorcycling community outside of racing (volunteering, coaching, administrative work)
- Length and quality of involvement with clubs
- If applicable, how the nominee has helped nurture the next generation of riders.
- Impact on the growth and sustainability of the sport through leadership, promotion or mentoring roles.
- Testimonials from club administrators, coaches, or volunteers about the nominees influence on the local racing scene.

### **Criteria:**

#### **Male Rider of the Year:**

The “Male Rider of the Year” award recognizes exceptional performance in motorcycling racing, including race victories, podium finishes and championship titles. Nominees should demonstrate consistent excellence across the season, showcasing their talent. Strong team collaboration, leadership, and sportsmanship are key factors, along with influence both on and off the track.

Riders who contribute to the growth of the sport, engage with others, and represent positive character traits are also considered.

This is open to any male rider, amateur and professional.

#### **Female Rider of the Year:**

The “Female Rider of the Year” award recognizes exceptional performance in motorcycling racing, including race victories, podium finishes and championship titles. Nominees should demonstrate consistent excellence across the season, showcasing their talent. Strong team collaboration, leadership, and sportsmanship are key factors, along with influence both on and off the track.

Riders who contribute to the growth of the sport, engage with others and represent positive character traits are also considered.

This is open to any female rider, amateur and professional.

#### **Best Up and Coming Road Rider:**

Aged 12 to 21 as at 31 December 2024.

The “Best Up and Coming Road Rider” award recognises emerging talent in motorcycle racing who has demonstrated exceptional skill, or potential skill and determination. Nominees should have shown significant success and/or improvement whether individually or as part of a team. Key factors include strong performances in races, a consistent upward trajectory in results, and the ability to compete at a high level. The rider should exhibit a strong work ethic, adaptability, and a positive impact on the sport as a whole, with a clear promise of future success.

**Best Up and Coming Off Road Rider:**

Aged 12 to 21 as at 31 December 2024.

The “Best Up and Coming Off Road Rider” award recognises emerging talent in motorcycle racing who has demonstrated exceptional skill, or potential skill and determination. Nominees should have shown significant success and/or whether individually or as part of a team. Key factors include strong performances in races, a consistent upward trajectory in results, and the ability to compete at a high level. The rider should exhibit a strong work ethic, adaptability, and a positive impact on the sport as a whole, with a clear promise of future success.

**Service to Motorcycling:**

The “Service to Motorcycling” award recognises individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the sport over an extended period of time. This includes exceptional services by volunteers, paid staff, amateurs, or professionals who have supported or advanced motorcycling through their dedication, hard work and commitment.

Nominees should have demonstrated a long-term impact on the sport whether through organising events, officiating at events (in any capacity) supporting riders, promoting the sport, or contributing in any capacity that has helped shape the growth of motorcycle sport at all levels.