

Nomination for Male IWWF Barefoot Athlete of the Year 2012

The following is a nomination for Peter O'Neill to be considered Athlete of the Year for 2012



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2012 Achievements

- Won his 9th Open State Championships
- Won His Seventh Overall Australian Open Men's Title
- 3rd overall, World Barefoot Titles
- Coached the Australian Junior Team to Gold and multiple individual Gold Medals, Silver and Bronze Medals
- Co-Coached the Australian Open Team to Gold
- Silver medal in Jump
- Bronze in Slalom

World Records Set:

- None

World Championship Performance (top 5 only):

- 3rd Open Men Overall
- 3rd Open Men Slalom
- 2nd Open Men Jump
- 5th Open Men Tricks

Confederation Championship Performance (top 5 only):

No Confederation Championships held during 2012

World Cup Final Standing (top 5 only):

Not applicable

World Cup Performance (top 5 only):

Not applicable

Major International event performance (top 5 only):

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- 2012 Open World Championships, 2nd Jump, 3rd Slalom, 3rd Overall
- 2012 Australian National Barefoot Championships, 1st Overall, 2nd Slalom, 1st Jump, 2nd Tricks
- 2012 Victorian State Championships, 1st Overall, 1st Slalom, 1st Jump, 1st Tricks

World Games, Continental Games, and other Major Multisport Games (top 5 only):

None held during 2012

World Ranking List Placement (top ten only):

- 5th Open Men Overall
- 10th Open Men Slalom
- 5th Open Men Jump
- 5th Open Men Tricks

Number of Tournaments Skied in the Past Year: 6**2012 Personal Best Performances:**

- Tricks – 8680 pts
- Slalom – 18.2
- Jump – 27.2m

Number of International Tournaments Skied in the Past Year:

1 - 2012 World Championships.

Confederation Ranking:

Ranked No. 2nd Open Men Slalom, 2nd Open Men Jump 2nd Open Men Trick and 1st Overall.

Confederation Records:

None

National Ranking:

Ranked No. 2nd Open Men Slalom, 2nd Open Men Jump 2nd Open Men Trick and 1st Overall

National Records:

None

Other notable information:

Peter is a highly motivated individual and will always be willing to help a fellow skier with whatever is required on and off the water. Peter has been on the Australian coaching panel for many years with a huge focus on the juniors with all of them having great admiration and respect towards him. He always makes it fun to have a ski and will bring the best out in all skiers. Every skier on the Australian squad has benefitted from his style of coaching. Peter has accepted the position of Coaching Director for the Australian Team. It is a huge achievement for Peter to achieve all of the above, whilst still focusing on his own personal competitiveness. Peter's scores, in all three events helped Australia achieve the result of First Overall in the Open Division at the 2012 World Championships. This, along with the Junior Team achieving First Overall show the commitment that Peter gives to the Australian Team. He has published several instructional articles in the Australian Waterski Magazine assisting all Barefooters across Australia to achieve their individual goals. He will unselfishly put others before himself to build the sport as shown recently, putting in a massive effort towards the 2014 worlds bid and will be a driving force in the organizing team if successful. Peter is truly an ambassador to this sport and is a worthy candidate for IWWF Barefoot Athlete of the Year 2012.

Most injured skier

Used to be fat

Last jump to move into 3rd

Coached almost everyone on the Aus team

Can sing

Didn't drink for months