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NTIS CELEBRATES 10 YEARS AT AWARDS NIGHT

The Northern Territory Institute of Sport will celebrate its 10th birthday and recognise the best of the Territory’s NTIS athletes at the annual NTIS Athlete Awards to be held at SkyCity.

Minister for Sport and Recreation Kon Vatskalis said the awards night was important to recognise the outstanding performances of our NTIS athletes as they achieve their sporting dreams not only on a national but also an international stage.

"The Awards aim to recognise our NTIS athletes in a variety of categories based on performance and commitment both on and off the field," Minister Vatskalis said

"In addition to recognising our athletes, this year the NTIS celebrates 10 years of operation since it was officially opened on 4 July 1996.

"I am sure there are a lot of stories to be told from the past 10 years and it’s amazing to recount the achievements of the NTIS and its past and present athletes.

"The Northern Territory Government’s ongoing financial support ensures the NTIS not only provides opportunities for our athletes to achieve their sporting dreams but is also recognised as a quality contributor within the highly successful network of Australian sports institutes and academies," Minister Vatskalis said.

The annual NTIS Athlete Awards will be held at SkyCity Casino International Room on Friday 22 September from 6:30pm - 9pm. Media wishing to attend should register their interest with Tiffany Stodart, Sport and Recreation Media and Marketing Manager on 0401 118 411.

Award Categories include:

- NTIS Volunteer Recognition Awards
- National Club Recognition Awards
- National Squad Recognition Awards
- National Team Representative Awards
- Fosters Australia Squad Athletes of the Year
- Boost Juice Award for Athlete Career and Education Excellence
- Carbine Club NTIS National Team Athlete of the Year
- Carbine Club NTIS National Individual Athlete of the Year
- Carbine Club NTIS International Team Athlete of the Year
- NTIS International Individual Athlete of the Year

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