



Cast your vote and help Steve win!

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Your vote could be all-important in helping table tennis coach Steve Bertie win a prestigious national award.

Volunteer coach Steve, from Continental Stars TTC in Birmingham, is down to the final shortlist of three for the Unsung Champion of the Year award at the BEDSAs – the British Ethnic Diversity Sports Awards.

The final round of voting is now open and is due to close on Sunday March 8.

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The citation on the awards website says of Steve: "He sees the greatest benefit he can give is by investing his time and energy into his club. In a world where so few people look to pay forward their experience, skills and time, Steve's contribution are greatly appreciated by all those who know him."

The other shortlisted candidates in the category are Gian Singh Cheema from weightlifting and Khadijah Zaidi from cycling.

This year's black tie awards ceremony is on Saturday March 14 and will be hosted by TV legend Sir Lenny Henry.

* Celebrating its sixth year, the BEDSAs provide a unique opportunity to celebrate and reward Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic (BAME) sporting excellence – to help increase sports participation by BAME communities and inspire the next generation of sporting talent.

Among the previous winners is Tin-Tin Ho, who was named Young Sports Person of the year at the inaugural awards in 2015.

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