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AIMS Awards for Excellence

THE AIMS Awards for Excellence recognise the innovation, professionalism and future focus marine surveyors bring to our industry. And a special “thank-you” upfront to Austbrokers Countrywide for sponsoring the awards.

Congratulations to all 2026 award nominees:

- Louie Caducio
- Susan Hull
- Capt Louis Koutelas
- Sedgwick
- Hunter Marine Surveyors
- Michael McAuliffe
- Maike Fritz Ligan
- Steve Foster
- Capt Michel Lagesse
- Rod Twitchin
- Damian Turner

- Kevin Moran
- Phillip Fox
- Krzysztof Bielicki
- Sean Byrne
- Fredrik Andreason
- Trent de Villiers
- Kalyan Das and
- Sarah Flood.

The awards recognise outstanding practice that strengthens safety, lifts industry standards and builds capability across the marine surveying profession.

It was a difficult task to choose between outstanding nominees but this year’s winners were:

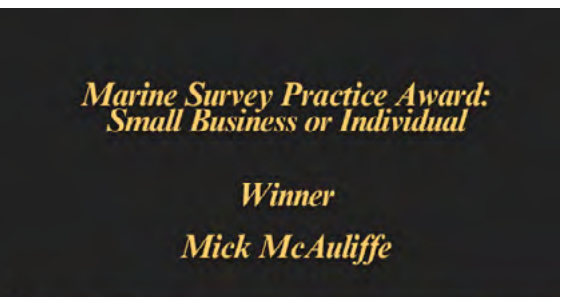
- ❑ Susan Hull – Mike Bozier Award
- ❑ Mick McAuliffe – Marine Survey Practice Award: Small Business or Individual

- ❑ Hunter Marine Surveyors – Marine Survey Practice Award: Medium or Large Business or Individual
- ❑ Capt Michel Lagesse – Marine Surveyor Specialist Field Award: Small Business or Individual
- ❑ Sedgwick – Marine Surveyor Specialist Field Award: Medium or Large Business or Individual
- ❑ Phillip Fox – Technology or Business Services Award: Small Business or Individual
- ❑ Capt Louis Koutelas – Technology or Business Services Award: Medium or Large Business or Individual
- ❑ Sean Byrne – Student of the Year Award
- ❑ Kalyan Das – President’s Rising Star Award.



Mike Bozier Award

*Winner
Susan Hull*



*Marine Survey Practice Award:
Small Business or Individual*

*Winner
Mick McAuliffe*





*Marine Surveyor Specialist
Field Award: Small
Business or Individual*

Winner

Capt Michel Lagesse



*Marine Surveyor Specialist
Field Award: Medium or
Large Business or Individual*

Winner

Sedgwick

*Marine Survey Practice
Award: Medium or Large
Business or Individual*

Winner

Hunter Marine Surveyors



*Technology or Business Services
Award: Small Business or Individual*

Winner

Phillip Fox

*Technology or Business Services Award:
Medium or Large Business or Individual*

Winner

Capt Louis Koutelas



Student of the Year Award

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