

# Triple Crown Recognition Award

A Celebration of the BYC Tradition of Participating in  
Conformation, Obedience, and Working Certificate Events

## Purpose, Eligibility and Entry Guidelines

### Purpose

The BYC 2023 Committee wants all to celebrate the Region 2 Back Yard Classic tradition of participating in conformation, obedience, and the Working Certificate events. When the first BYC was conceived and held in 1995, tollers were not yet AKC approved so tollers and their owners gathered in a willing club member's backyard to celebrate tollers and their versatility. This award recognizes those tollers and their owners who participate in conformation, obedience, and Working Certificate events during the 2023 BYC.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for the Triple Crown Recognition Award, dogs must be a male or female Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever (toller) and must be entered in AND **participate** in:

1. any conformation class offered as part of the BYC toller sweepstakes or supported entry on Saturday, July 1, 2023, AND
2. any obedience class offered as part of the Kettle Moraine Kennel Club trials on Friday, June 30 or Saturday, July 1, 2023 AND
3. any level of the NSDTRC Working Certificate tests offered in Campbellsport, WI on Sunday, July 2, 2023 (includes BRT, WC, WCI or WCX).

This award recognizes and celebrates the owner's commitment to participating in these three events. The toller does not have to win their conformation class, qualify in their obedience class, or pass their Working Certificate test. They only need to participate to be eligible.

The requirement to **participate** means that the toller cannot be absent from its conformation class, cannot scratch from its obedience class, and cannot scratch from its Working Certificate test.

The toller does not need to be handled by its owner in any of the three events.

Entry in rally classes in lieu of obedience classes does not qualify the toller for this participation award.

## [Intent to Participate Entry Form](#)

The toller's owner must complete and submit the "Intent to Participate in the 2023 BYC Triple Crown Award" form and pay a \$10 entry fee which will be used to offset the cost of ribbons. After ribbons are purchased for the Triple Crown Award, any remaining entry fees will be used to offset other BYC expenses. A separate form and fee must be submitted for each toller. The toller owner does not need to be a club member to participate.

The Intent to Participate form and \$10 entry fee **must be submitted for each toller by Friday, June 23, 2023 at 11:59:59 pm Central Time US.**

**Submit your entry by completing this Google form:**

## [Intent to Participate Entry Form](#)

**Submit your \$10 entry fee through the BYC Activities page in the NSDTRC-USA Shop on the club website at:**

<https://nationals.nsdtrc-usa.org/product-category/2023-byc-trophies/byc-activities/>

## Award

The Triple Crown Recognition Award will be a three-streamer rosette ribbon and will be presented to each toller that has:

1. Submitted an Intent to Participate form and the \$10 entry fee.
2. Participated in all three events as outlined in the eligibility requirements.

All toller owners who have a dog eligible for the Triple Crown Recognition Award will be acknowledged and applauded at the BYC 2023 Banquet on Saturday, July 1, 2023. The 2023 BYC Committee would love to see all eligible owners in attendance at the banquet to be properly recognized for their efforts.

The Triple Crown Recognition Award ribbon will be presented to the toller's owner after completion of all the Working Certificate tests on Sunday, July 2, 2023. If the owner is not present at the ribbon ceremony on July 2, the owner can designate someone (a handler, the breeder, a friend, etc.) to accept the participation award on their behalf. Alternatively, the owner can pay an additional \$5 and have the BYC 2023 Committee mail the ribbon to them.

## Partial Refunds

Partial refunds will be given only for dogs withdrawn for the following reasons: bitch in heat, illness of the dog, or death of the dog. Additionally, refunds will only be made upon written application to the BYC Chair and submission of appropriate veterinarian's certificate within two weeks of the 2023 BYC. A fee of \$5 will be deducted from the entry fee to help cover the cost of the ribbons.