

**Master Dog Breeders and Associates - 4th Annual Dog Owners Choice Awards.
CATEGORIES.**



Awards are open to all members and non-members of the MDBA and nominations close 31.12.10. Winners will be announced March 2011. Please take extra care with your nominations as this is a big part of the judging and how well you are able to present them will impact greatly on their chance of winning

1. **Master Breeder of the Year.** The nominee must be a financial member of the MDBA and be nominated by a puppy buyer. This award is not about the success of the breeder's dogs in dog-related events or the amount of litters they breed. This is about standards of service, support and ethics provided to their puppy buyers.

2. **Master Responsible Pet Owner of the Year.** To be eligible to be nominated in this category, the nominee must be a financial member of the MDBA.

3. **Master Puppy Buyer of the Year.** Must be nominated by the person who bred their dog and that person must be an MDBA member.

4. **Master Rescuer of the Year.** Must be nominated by someone who has adopted one of their dogs, or by someone who is a foster carer attached to them. This award is not about how many dogs they have rescued but about their standards of service, support and ethics to their clients and foster carers. Open to Australian residents.

5. **Breeder of the Year.** Must be a registered breeder [not necessarily ANKC] and be nominated by a puppy buyer. The nomination is not about the success of the breeder's dogs, or how many they breed. This is about service, standards and ethics provided to their puppy buyers.

6. **Responsible Pet Owner of the Year.** Must be an Australian Resident

7. **Best Canine Rescuer of the Year.** Must be nominated by someone who has one of their dogs or by someone who is a foster carer attached to the group. Open to Australian residents and this is about service, standards and ethics they have shown to their clients and foster carers

8. **Best Canine Foster Carer of the Year.** To be eligible for nomination for this category the nominee must be nominated by a rescue group/service. This award is not about how many dogs a foster carer has fostered but about their standards of service and dedication. Open to Australian residents.

9. **Pet Sitter /walker of the Year.** To be eligible to be nominated for this category, the nominee must be nominated by a client for excellence in standards of service. Open to Australian residents.

10. **Most Supportive Vet of the Year.** To be eligible for nomination in this category the nominee must be nominated by a client. Open to Australian residents

11. **Best Vet Nurse /Receptionist of the Year.** Must be located in Australia and nominated by a client or a vet.

12. **Best Vet surgery/clinic of the Year –** Must be located in Australia.

13. **Best Canine Specialist Service Provider of the Year –** Must trade in Australia.

14. **Best Canine Groomer of the Year.** Must be nominated by a client. This nomination is about standards in service. Open to Australian residents.

15. **Best Dog Trainer of the Year.** Must be nominated by a client. This award is not about awards dogs that have been trained by the nominee have achieved but about the trainer's dedication and standards in service. Open to Australian residents.

16. **Best MDBA Student of the Year.** Must be a Current student of the Master Dog Breeders Academy and nominated by a faculty member of the MDBA

17. **Best Dog related Website of the Year.** Must be owned by an Australian resident.

18. **Excellence in Contribution and/or Leadership in Canine Affairs.** Must be located in Australia.

19. **Boarding Kennel of the Year.** Must be nominated by a client. Must be located in Australia

20. **Pet Transport Service of the Year.** Must be nominated by a client and branches or based in Australia

21. **MDBA Pacers award for outstanding Service.**

22. **Best dog related Publication of the year.**

23. **Best Dog Supply retail outlet.** Must be nominated by a client or customer. Must be located in Australia. **Must not sell live animals**

24. **Best Dog Photographer /artist.** Must be nominated by a client or customer. Must be based in Australia.

25. **Best Dog Insurance Provider of the Year.** Must be nominated by a client or customer. Must be based in Australia

26. **Best Dog Friendly Tourist destination.** Must be nominated by a dog owner who is a client /visitor. Must be located in Australia.

27. **Best dog related product of the year.**

28. **Best dog related service provider of the year.** Must be nominated by a client or customer. Must be based in Australia.

29. **Best contribution to Canine Science and or Research.** Must be based in Australia

30. **Best Youth Participation in Canine Affairs.** Must be aged between 14 and 18 as at 1/1/2010. Must be an Australian resident.

31. **Best Junior in Canine Helpfulness and or Kindness.** Must be aged between 8 and 14, as at 1/1/2010. Must be an Australian resident whose good deeds to dogs have taken place in this country.