



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **Joseph Schooling crowned Singapore Swimming Association's Swimmer of the Year 2014**

SINGAPORE, 25 April 2015 – Joseph Isaac Schooling has been crowned Swimmer of the Year 2014 by the Singapore Swimming Association (SSA) at the SSA Awards Night held at Hotel Fort Canning. The award was presented by Mr Lawrence Wong, Minister for Culture, Community and Youth, and Second Minister of Communications and Information. Colin Schooling, father of Joseph Schooling was present to receive the award on his behalf.

“Thank you for the Award. 2014 was really a successful year for me. I am lucky and fortunate to have done well, winning a number of medals at the Glasgow Commonwealth Games and Incheon Asian Games,” said Joseph in a recorded message from Texas.

“Now my attention is on the SEA Games and I am excited. Since I was a kid, I wanted to perform in front of my home crowd, having thousands of people cheering me on. I am looking forward to the Games.”

Joseph's coach, Sergio Lopez, was also named Swimming Coach of the Year 2014. Sergio coached Joseph to Singapore's first swimming medal in the Commonwealth Games as well and Singapore's first Asian Games gold medal in men's swimming since Ang Peng Siong's 100m freestyle gold at the 1982 Delhi Games.

“It is an honour to be given such an award. I was coaching Joseph when he was in Bolles last year and I was not surprised by his achievements at the Commonwealth and Asian Games. In fact, this award is a justification of the hard work that Joseph and I put in the pool. Joseph is continuing to improve and the sky is the limit for him,” said Lopez.

SSA also announced the names of athletes that will be representing Singapore in diving, swimming, synchronized swimming and water polo. A total of 8 divers, 29 swimmers, 12 synchronized swimmers and 34 water polo players have made the list. The Men's and Women's water polo team will leave for a training tour to Japan on 5 May and the final squad of 13 players selected for the Men's and Women's Water polo SEA Games team will be announced after the trip on 17 May 2105.

“This will be my fifth SEA Games that I am competing in but this will be the most memorable and special one for me because it will be Singapore. We are gunning for our 26th consecutive gold medal for men's water polo and we are looking forward to play in front of a full capacity at the OCBC Aquatic Centre,” said Nigel Tay.

The SSA Awards Night is an annual event to honour athletes, coaches, technical officials and volunteers who have contributed to the Association for the past year.



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## **Annex A**

### **Singapore Swimming Association Awards Night Award Winners:**

#### **Athlete of the Year**

Athlete of the Year (Swimming) – Joseph Isaac Schooling

Athlete of the Year (Men’s Water Polo) – Yip Yang

Athlete of the Year (Women’s Water Polo) – Adelyn Yew Yan Xiang

Athlete of the Year (Diving) – Jonathan Chan Fan Keng

Athlete of the Year (Synchronised Swimming) – Stephanie Chen & Crystal Yap

#### **Coach of the Year**

Coach of the Year (Swimming) – Sergio López Miró

Coach of the Year (Water Polo) – Lee Sai Meng

Coach of the Year (Diving) – Xu Jie

Coach of the Year (Synchronised Swimming) – Maryna Tsimashenka

#### **Technical Official of the Year**

Technical Official of the Year (Swimming) – Tina Ong

Technical Official of the Year (Water Polo) – Toh Wai Keng Edmund

Technical Official of the Year (Diving) – Ng Ping Ding

Technical Official of the Year (Synchronised Swimming) – Steve Chew



## **Annex B**

### **List of Aquatic Athletes representing Singapore at the 28th SEA Games 2015**

#### **Swimming**

1. Boon Ji Chao Benedict
2. Christopher Cheong Ee Hong
3. Clement Lim Yong'en
4. Darren Lim Fang Yue
5. Dylan Koo Longhai
6. Joseph Isaac Schooling
7. Khoo Chien Yin Lionel
8. Low Wei Yang, Malcolm
9. Pang Sheng Jun
10. Quah Zheng Wen
11. Teo Zhen Ren
12. Yeo Kai Quan
13. Zach Ong Wei Shien
14. Chloe Wang Wenyi
15. Christie May Chue Mun Ee
16. Ho Ru'en Roanne
17. Hoong En Qi
18. Liew Li-Shan, Chantal
19. Lim Xiang Qi
20. Meagan Lim Shen-Hui
21. Nur Marina Chan Shi Min Alif Abdullah
22. Quah Jing Wen
23. Quah Ting Wen
24. Quek Jia Hui, Hannah
25. Samantha Louisa Yeo Ginn
26. Shana Lim Jia Yi
27. Tan Jing-E
28. Tao Li
29. Tseng Wei Wen Rachel Marjorie



## **Diving**

1. Myra Lee Jia Wen
2. Fong Kay Yian
3. Timothy Lee Han Kuan
4. Mark Lee Han Ming
5. Jonathan Chan Fan Keng
6. Kimberly Chan Wan Lin
7. Freida Lim Shen Yan



### **Synchronised Swimming**

1. Chen Mei Qi Stephanie
2. Yap Yu Hui Crystal
3. Lee Mei Shuang
4. Soh Li Fei Debbie
5. Chen Mei Qing Natalie
6. Goh Xiao Hui Gwyneth
7. Chew Wei Ling Geraldine
8. Miya Yong Hsing
9. Lim Li Yi Shona
10. Tay Aik Fen
11. Buckle Carolyn Rayna
12. Khor Mei-En Nadine



## **Men's Water Polo**

1. Tay Sin Chao Nigel
2. Loh Zhi
3. Teo Zhen Wei Eugene
4. Chiam Kun Yang
5. Ang An Jun
6. Goh Chengwei Marcus
7. Ang Wei Ming Sean
8. Yip Yang
9. Koh Jian Ying
10. Ong Wei Loong Bryan
11. Lee Kai Yang
12. Lin Diyang
13. Tan Jwee Ann Paul Louis
14. Toh Zhi Hong
15. Chong Nathanael Wayne
16. Neo Seh Woon
17. Darren Lee Jit An

***\*Final squad of 13 players will be selected after Japan Training Trip***



## **Women's Water Polo**

1. Low Seet Teng
2. Koh Ting Yi Gina
3. Adelyn Yew Yanxiang
4. Angeline Teo Yi Ling
5. Tan Hui Ying Lynnette Jane
6. Ng Yiwen
7. Chen YiWei Denise
8. Loke En Yuan
9. Eunice Karina Fu Yu Min
10. Wu Zhe Kang
11. Sim Hwei Sian Shauna Christine
12. Lim Wenxin
13. Tan Hui Ning Sheryl
14. Chan Hui Min Brenda
15. Zhang Jia Le
16. Toh Huiran
17. Neo Xin En Gloria

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