

Sportsman of the Year Presentation

December 30, 1954,

Savoy Hotel, 7.30 p.m.

The Presentation follows the national ballot organised every year by Sporting Record, the first national poll being in 1946. Votes this year have been received from all over Britain and from many places abroad, among them the U.S.A., Germany, the Middle East, Malta, Gibraltar, Belgium and Malaya.

The sportsman heading the poll receives the "Sportsman of the Year" trophy, while the "Sportswoman of the Year" trophy is awarded to the sportswoman obtaining most votes in the ballot. Last year's recipients were Gordon Pirie and Pat Smythe.

The actual leaders in the poll this year will not be announced until the time of the presentation at 8.23. The presentations are being made by Lord Brabazon of Tara.

Lord Brabazon will be introduced by Mr. H.C. Drayton, Chairman of Sporting Record, and Lord Brabazon will announce the elected sportsman and sportswoman in his opening remarks, when he will introduce them to the company. They will each make a short reply.

A list of acceptances to the Presentation ceremony is attached.

The Presentation besides being televised ⁱⁿ for the B.B.C.'s Sportsview, is being recorded by Radio Newsreel and will be broadcast in the General Overseas and European services of the B.B.C.

Before the presentation of the Sporting Record national trophies the TV award for the outstanding sporting personality of the year will be handed over to the winner by Peter Dimmock, head of Outside Broadcasts, Television.

Chris & Valerie Winn
E.H. 'Patsy' Hendren
C. Hewitt
Shirley Hampton
Shirley Cawley
Sylvia Cheeseman
Ann Long
Helen Yate
Stan Cox
Henry Longhurst
Dorothy Tyler
Peter Fryer

Anne Pashley
Jim Laker
Bill Kitchen
Arthur Green
Arthur Rowe
Jim Sims
John Parlett
Ann Johnson
Trevor Ford
Peter Driver
Janet Morgan
Ken Gregory

Also from:

Rt. Hon. Iain Macleod, M.P.
Viscount Hall
Rt. Hon. Hilary Marquand, M.P.
Lt. Commdr. Michael Parker
F.P. Buckley (Agent-General,
N.S.W.)
R.W.V. Robins
Vice-Admiral H.G. Norman,
C.B., C.B.E.
Sir John Sargent
Commander Sir Hugh Dawson
Brian George
Charles Max-Muller
Kenneth Adam
Sir Clarence Sadd
W.E. Butlin

Sir Arthur Porritt
Sir Sidney Abrahams
Sir Adolphe Abrahams
Sir Leslie Bowker
Sir Ronald Ross
S.C. Griffith
Sir Stanley Rous
Judge Aarvold
Eamonn Andrews
Gilbert Harding
Sir Eric von Bibra
Raymond Glenderming
Petula Clark
Eunice Gayson