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Nicol a shining example

POCKET dynamite Nicol David has been a shining example for the country in recent months.

For her achievements in squash, the 16-year-old Penang schoolgirl has been nominated for Timesport-Sports Toto's Man of the Year award.

SportExcel executive director Teng Mui Ngee, who submitted this nomination via e-mail, said Malaysia have a world beater which every Malaysian should be proud of.

Teng's reason for supporting Nicol:

* Nicol's dedication to excellence has always been her forte and her achievements at her age are perhaps the best in this decade.

Nicol, who was recently crowned British Open Under-19 junior champion, will have to contend with other nominees like Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Sepang International Circuit chairman Tan Sri Basir Ismail, Olympic Council of Malaysia secretary Sieh Kok Chi and and Country Heights Holdings managing director Tan Sri Lee Kim Yew.

Sailor Datuk Azhar Mansor, hockey skipper Nor Saiful Zaini, MTBC president Datuk P.S. Nathan, bowler Shalin Zulkifli, the Squash Rackets Association of Malaysia and the late Datuk Alex Lee, who served as their president for nine years, have also been nominated.

So who will be the Man of the Year? The choice is yours.

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