

LIFE MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Nomination / Criteria / Process





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LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life Membership is the highest Award available to recognise the exceptional contribution of individuals to an organisation over an extended period. It is therefore only to be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

In determining if a current or past member of the WGBC can be considered for Life Membership the following points system was established.

This points system is used as a guide ONLY in recognising the contribution of individuals for <u>service</u> to the Club in the way of games played, committee portfolios taken or volunteering done over an extended period.

The Club is split into 3 areas and points allocated to different tasks that members perform or volunteer to do on a yearly basis. The areas, tasks and points are as follows:

Commitee

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President	200
Secretary	150
V. President (Sen/Jun)	150
Treasurer	150
Registrar	150
General Committee Portfolio	80

Playing / Coaching

S.L. Coach	125
Senior Coach (AAA & lower)	100
Senior Player	75
Junior Coach	75
Assist Coach (Sen/Jun)	30
Team Manager / EO	30

Misc.

Spirit of Wanneroo Award	150
Club Person Award	150
Sportsmanship Award	100
Club Volunteer (Non committee)	30
Founding Member	200

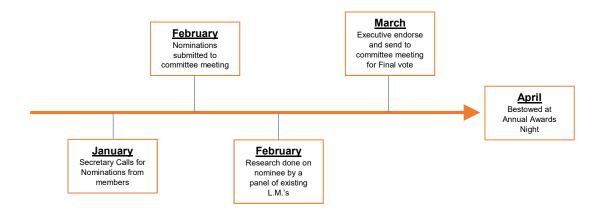
The minimum number of accrued points required for a member to be considered for Life Membership and start the process is **2000**. This equates to approximately 12 years of service at the club in a variety of roles. A member can start accruing once they have attained the age of 18.

The Secretary shall keep a spread sheet data base of all current member's service to the Club in the above areas. The data base will be updated on a yearly basis prior to receiving any nominations from members by the February Committee Meeting.

The Nomination

- ♦ The secretary shall send out notice to members calling for nominations of individuals they think are worthy for consideration of Life Membership.
- Any financial Member may nominate another member for consideration for a Life Membership award. Nominations must be submitted in writing to the secretary & must be signed by two current financial members (unrelated members) of the Club.
- ♦ The Secretary will take nominations for consideration up until the February Committee meeting where any nominations will be presented. Once a check is done to ensure the nominee and members nominating are indeed financial members the nomination is given to a panel of existing Life Members (say 3) to research (in confidence) the background of the nominee / nominees in respect to history with the club as described in the Award Criteria below.
- ♦ The final fully researched nomination or nominations are passed over to the Executive who shall endorse the nominee/s and presented to the March Committee meeting where the vote for induction as a Life Member shall take place.
- ♦ If no nominations are received from Club Members, the Secretary has the authority to nominate at the February Committee meeting based on the Spread sheet data base of member's service to the Club.

Time Line



Award Criteria

In considering the award of Life Membership, the nominated individual should have demonstrated significant, sustained and high quality service enhancing their reputation and future standing within the Club.

The following characteristics shall be taken into account by the person researching when considering any nomination:

• The nominee's length of service to the Club shall be at least 10 years in either or both an on field or off field roles with such service in either being taken concurrently.

- The general attitude and overall demeanour of the nominee to ensure that the attitude is one that reflects a dedication to the values of the WGBC
- The nominee will have demonstrated a commitment to the principals of fair play & good sportsmanship.
- The nominee will have provided valued leadership and/or been an outstanding role model to the members in general.
- The nominees' service must reflect favourably on and brought credit to the Club.

Important Note

These points apply in whatever role the nominee has participated in during their service in the WGBC (on or off the field). Achieving the minimum service levels will not in any way automatically guarantee the award of Life Membership

Process for Assessment of Applications

All nominations must demonstrate attainment of minimum service requirements and other details of exemplary service.

The Committee (a minimum quorum is required) will assess any nominations for Life Membership presented at the February Committee meeting by the Secretary based on the established criteria.

The Executive Committee will endorse and put forward the researched nominations worthy of Life Membership to the March Committee meeting in accordance with the Constitution.

The final list of endorsed nominations for the award of Life Membership will be individually voted upon at the March Committee meeting (a 75% majority vote will be required for approval).

Life Memberships will be awarded at the next WGBC Annual Awards Presentation night.

Retraction of a Life Membership

Retraction of a Life Membership Award may occur where the recipient has conducted him/herself in a manner that reflects directly and adversely on the image or activities of the WGBC generally. This provision will only be exercised in exceptional circumstances and will require the unanimous agreement of the Executive Committee to be enacted. As part of the deliberations, the Life Member in question is to be given an opportunity to present their case for retention of their Life Membership status.

Benefits of Life Membership

In addition to the status of membership of a select group within the WGBC and in accordance with the Club By-Laws, Life Membership will be recognised by:

- Award of the Life Membership at the WGBC Annual Awards Presentation.
- Exemption from membership fee to the WGBC
- ♦ Listing in the WGBC Web site and the Life Member Honour Board.
- Invitations to attend all official Club functions.

Life Membership Award Introduction

This Award policy will be effective from 1st August 2017.

This policy is to be reviewed three (3) years after introduction.