

## WABC Procedures and Criteria for Awarding Life Membership

1. Nominations for Life Membership will only be considered every second year.
2. Any nomination for life membership should be made at least two meetings prior to the Annual General Meeting.
3. Whilst the nomination can come from any club member, it must be sponsored by a Management Committee (MC) member.
4. It will then become the responsibility of that MC member to present evidence to the MC regarding the nominee that will allow an informed decision by the MC, based on the criteria below, as to the worthiness of the nominee as a Life member of the Club.
5. Once the nomination has been received by the MC, the Secretary shall have the responsibility of adding the item to the relevant agenda which allows enough time for information to be collated by the sponsor.
6. At the meeting to decide on the nomination the MC shall make their determination using the following criteria.
7. Criteria for consideration are as follows.
  - a. Administration – Club
  - b. Administration – State and/or National.
  - c. Volunteering
  - d. Convening
  - e. Directing
  - f. General contribution – including regularly playing in and promoting club championships and events or any other issues the MC may deem relevant.

The nominee must have an outstanding contribution in at least one of these areas and at least some contribution in two of the other three areas. Whilst length of service is important, the overall riding criterion is the quality of service.

8. Once the sponsor has presented the information and all questions and comments have been made, the MC shall conduct a secret ballot.
9. If there is more than one nomination, then each should be considered in turn with a preliminary secret ballot taken to determine which nomination should be voted upon.
10. Either the Secretary or President shall collect and count the votes and announce the result. If there is a tie in a preliminary vote then the President has an additional casting vote.
11. The granting of Life Membership is to be announced by the current President at the AGM.
12. The Executive Officer shall inform the successful nominee by letter, signed by the President, which will include an invitation to the AGM and any relevant details relating to the Life Membership.
13. The Executive Officer will arrange for a Life Member badge which will be presented at the AGM.
14. The successful nominees name will be added to the Life Members honour board.