



Criteria for Life Membership

This policy sets out the minimum criteria to be eligible for nomination for an award of Life Membership of Halls Head Bowling & Recreation Club (Inc.)

This award exists to recognise the valuable contribution of individuals to the current and future existence of the Club. It is therefore only to be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

It should be recognised that Life Membership does not have to be awarded each year. Ideally not more than two (2) Life Members shall be elected annually.

In considering the award of Life Membership an individual should have demonstrated significant, sustained and high-quality service enhancing the reputation and future of the overall Club.

The criteria to be considered when reviewing any nomination include:

1. Length of Service

- The minimum length of service to the Club should be extended service of 15 years as a member in an on field or off field and/or as a volunteer, role with such service in any such roles being taken concurrently.

2. General Considerations

- The general attitude and overall demeanour of the nominee must show a dedication to the values of the Club.
- Commitment to the principles of good sportsmanship.
- Valued leadership and good role modelling that reflects credit upon the Club.

3. Specific Criteria

- Specific achievement, both on and off the field, will be taken into consideration.
- Four areas of service in the Club may include:
 - Playing. (i.e. dedicated representation of the Club and good sportsmanship.)
 - Managing. (i.e. service on committees, Coordinator roles etc.)
 - Administration. (i.e. fund raising, event committees or coordinator roles etc.)

- General Contribution. (i.e. volunteer service and dedicated support to Club)
- Other issues that the Committee may see as relevant.

Benefits of Life Membership

- Award of the Life Membership at Halls Head Bowling & Recreation Club (Inc.) Annual General Meeting.
- Exemption from fees associated with the Bowling Club.
- Personal invitation to any special event organised by the Club.
- Listing on the Club's Honour Board and Photo displayed in Club.
- Status of being a member of a select group within the Club.
- Ability to include the award recognition on Curriculum Vitae.

Process for Assessing Applications for Life Membership

- Any financial member may nominate another past or present club member for consideration for Life Membership of the Club. The nomination must be in writing and must be signed by two current financial members (unrelated members) of the Club.
- The nomination should be prepared to set out the achievements and activities of the nominee and at a minimum must meet the criteria as set out above.
- The Life Membership nomination shall be forwarded by the nominating club member to the Secretary of Halls Head Bowling & Recreation Club (Inc), no later than sixty (60) days prior to the AGM in each year.
- The Life Membership Nomination must address the criteria, including:
 - Attainment of minimum service requirements
 - An outstanding contribution in at least one of the four areas of service with at least some contribution in two of the other three areas of contribution deemed appropriate at the discretion of the Halls head Bowling & Recreation Club (Inc) Board.
 - Other details of exemplary service.
- The Board shall form a sub-committee of Members to review the submissions made for Honorary Life Membership at least ten (10) days before the AGM and pass their recommendations back to the Board for final endorsement.
- At the AGM the President will announce the name/s of the endorsed candidates for Honorary Life Membership for approval by the members. Relevant badge(s) will be presented to the successful candidate(s).

Policy Review

This policy will be reviewed annually to ensure it remains relevant to Club operations and reflects both community expectations and legal requirements.

Signature

Signed:  Club President Date: ^{17/4} April 2023

Signed:  Club Secretary ^{17/4} Date April 2023

Next policy review date is April 2024