



Background

Life memberships is a special form of membership which may be bestowed upon any person whose services to the WA Women's Football League (WAWFL) is deemed to have been meritorious and above and beyond that expected of normal members.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidance for the Executive and members of the West Australian Women's Football League with the nomination, selection criteria, and evaluation process for Life Membership to the League.

Principles

In considering the award of Life Membership an individual should have demonstrated significant and sustained high quality service enhancing the reputation and future of women's football at all levels.

The principles to be taken into account when considering any nomination should include:

- 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 association
- valued leadership that reflects creditably upon the association.

Procedure

Life membership may be recommended for any highly meritorious contribution to the WAWFL. The following do not attempt to be exhaustive guidelines, but rather to give ideas and scope to the contribution that could be rewarded.

- i) The nominee has made a significant contribution to the WAWFL over an extensive period of time i.e. 10 years, in the areas of management and administration.
- ii) The contribution may include support to the sporting success of the WAWFL over that period of time in an individual or team capacity.
- iii) The contribution may include a significant contribution to the sport as an official or delegate of a member club over that period of time;
- iv) Not disciplined by the WAWFL / tribunal for an on or off field matter and been found guilty after investigation, of any matter that would have brought the game of the WAWFL into disrepute;
- v) May be the member of another football league / controlling body in WA, not necessarily that of a member of the WAWFL;

Applications for nomination for Life Membership must be submitted in writing to the WAWFL Board at least six (6) weeks prior to the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Association. The nomination must be made by a member club of the Association. The WAWFL Board will consider a maximum of two persons nominated for a WAWFL Life Member.

Written nominations should address the above criteria by outlining the skills, attributes and exemplary service they have brought to the WAWFL and women's football in WA; name any awards and the year they were received by the nominee; number of games played and at which club; number of years service the nominee has served and at which club or league. It should be noted that achieving minimum service levels does not automatically guarantee the award of Life Membership.

The Board will assess all nominations for Life Membership and only put forward those nominations to the AGM that are considered worthy of Life Membership.

Benefits of Life Membership

In addition to the status of membership of a select group within the Association, Life Membership will be recognised by:

- Presentation of the Life Membership Award at the WAWFL Annual Presentation Night
- Ongoing acknowledgement in any official Association publications and communications.

The symbol of this award shall be a badge (or such object as may be determined from time to time), and the Citation in a format suitable for framing, which will be presented to approved recipients on a suitable occasion.

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