



LIFE MEMBERSHIP GUIDELINES

(Constitution S6; By-Law 37)

1. INTRODUCTION

These guidelines have been prepared to assist Members of the Board, nominees and referees concerning the nomination and consideration processes for Life Membership of Long Reef Golf Club. Section 6.3.2 of the Club's Constitution states that any Ordinary Member who has rendered **distinguished and exceptional** service to the Club may be nominated for this membership class.

2. LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Life Membership is the highest award available to recognize the distinguished and exceptional contribution of individuals to Long Reef Golf Club (LRGC). It is therefore only to be awarded in for this level of contribution.

This document also sets out the procedures and policies which are applied by the Board in their consideration of section 6.3.2 of the Constitution, concerning Life Membership nominations.

Importantly, such consideration includes the Board's **endorsement** (or otherwise), of a nomination put forward for Life Membership of the Club. In this regard the Board wishes to make it clear that when they **endorse** a nomination for Life Membership, they are providing to the Members a confirmation that such nomination in their majority opinion meets the standard of "**distinguished and exceptional service**" set down in the Constitution.

Under no circumstances should such endorsement be seen as a recommendation by the Board to Members to vote in a particular way.

3. NOMINATION FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Any current 7-day, 6-day, 5-day, Special, Gold or Life Member may propose or second a nomination for election of a Life Member.
- (b) The Nomination (accompanied by any relevant documentation) must be lodged with the General Manager no later than 2 calendar months before the date of notification of a General Meeting (usually the Annual General Meeting)
- (c) Such a nomination must be reported to the next meeting of the Board which will resolve by majority whether or not to endorse the nomination
- (d) Should the Board decide to endorse the nomination, the General Manager will display the nomination details on the Club Notice Board and Club website for a minimum 21 days before the ensuing General Meeting at which it will be submitted for voting by Members.
- (e) For the nomination to be passed at least 75% of those Members entitled to vote and who are present at the General Meeting, must vote in favour of the granting of Life Membership to a nominee.

4. THE POINTS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A NOMINATION INCLUDE

4.1 Length of Service/Contribution:

- (a) The length of LRGC Membership where the distinguished and exceptional service has occurred should be at least 10 years.

4.2 General Considerations:

- (a) The general attitude and overall demeanor of the nominee shows a dedication to the core values of LRGC set down in the Club's Strategic plan
- (b) The Nominee has a commitment to the principles of good sportsmanship.
- (c) The Nominee will have provided valued leadership and/or been an outstanding role model to the Members in general.
- (d) The nominee's service must reflect favourably on and have brought credit to LRGC.
- (e) The nominee must be a current financial Member of LRGC

4.3 Specific Criteria: To include one or more of:

- (a) Playing
- (b) Managing
- (c) Administration
- (d) General Contribution
- (e) Other special Achievements for the Club which maybe either on or off the course or both.

5. BENEFITS OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP

- (a) Award of the Life Membership at the Annual General meeting.
- (b) Exemption from annual Membership fees.
- (c) A personal invitation to any special event organized by LRGC.
- (d) Listing in the Club's Website and Honour Board.
- (e) Status of being a Member of a select and honored group within LRGC.
- (f) Ability to include award recognition on a Curriculum Vitae/Resume.

6. THE APPLICATION

- a) The Life Membership application must address the criteria, including:
- b) Attaining the minimum length of Membership
- c) A distinguished and exceptional contribution to LRGC
- d) Other areas of exemplary service to the Club if applicable.

This Policy is effective from 28th June 2018.