



Life Membership

Preamble

Life membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed on an individual club member acknowledging outstanding service. It should retain its prestige and not be awarded easily. There is no restriction to the number of life members. The constitution stipulates the following process:

Constitution Clause

LIFE MEMBER

- 7 (1) The Association can confer life membership on a member for outstanding service.
- (2) Life Membership is conferred by a special resolution at an annual general meeting.
- (3) A nomination of a member for Life Membership of the Association shall be made in writing and lodged with the Secretary at least 2 months before the date of the next annual general meeting.
- (4) As soon as is practicable after the receipt of a nomination the Secretary shall refer the nomination to the Committee.
- (5) Upon a nomination being referred to the Committee, the Committee shall determine whether to approve the nomination.
- (6) Upon a nomination being approved by the Committee, the Secretary
 - (a) shall notify the member in writing that he has been nominated as a Life Member; and
 - (b) shall include the nomination in the special business of the next annual general meeting of the association.

Eligibility

Outstanding service could be shown through:

- consistent demonstration of the Association's values to:
 - provide an environment that nurtures the enjoyment of bridge in a friendly, competitive and social manner for all levels of skill and ability"; and
 - be welcoming, respectful, transparent, and ethical".
- loyalty
- service to the Association and its members
- innovation in the development of programs and systems to enhance the performance of the Association
- leadership at all levels

Life membership is open to all members. It is not awarded posthumously. It may be awarded to former members within 12 months of their membership ceasing.

Who can nominate

Any current member can nominate.

All nominations must be approved by the Committee.

Approved nominations will be presented to the members at the next annual general meeting as a special resolution.

How to nominate

Please complete the following nomination form and submit it to the Secretary.

All sections of the form must be completed including the nominee's full name and contact details.

The nomination should contain a comprehensive description of nominee's outstanding contribution.

To be considered by the Committee the nomination must meet the following criteria:

- The completed nomination must be submitted at least two months before the next AGM.
- It must contain at least 2 referee statements.
- It must be signed by both referees.

What if the nomination is not approved by the committee?

The Secretary will formally advise the nominee and nominators prior to the Annual General Meeting.



WAVERLEY BRIDGE CLUB

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LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION

Nominator (Referee 1) Details:

Application Date: ___/___/___

Given Name(s) _____ ABF Number _____

Surname _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode _____

Contact Numbers: Mobile _____ Home _____

Email Address: _____

being a financial member of the Club asks the Committee to confer Life Membership upon

Candidate Details:

Given Name(s) _____ ABF Number _____

Surname _____

Address: _____

_____ Postcode _____

Contact Numbers: Mobile _____ Home _____

Email Address: _____

for their outstanding service as detailed in the following statements.

Referee 1 Statement:

Referee 1 Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Referee 2 Details

Given Name(s) _____ ABF Number _____

Surname _____

Address: _____

Postcode _____

Contact Numbers: Mobile _____ Home _____

Referee 2 Statement:

Referee 2 Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Admin Use Only: Processing Details

| Date Received | Referee 1 Valid | Referee 2 Valid |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|------------------------|
| | YES/NO | YES/NO |
| Committee Review Date | Approved | Date Nominator Advised |
| | YES/NO | |
| Nominee Advised Date | Special Resolution Raised | Date of AGM/SGM |
| | YES/NO | |