



Life Membership Guidelines

Introduction

The granting of Life Membership is a great honour, *and designed to recognise an outstanding, significant, and devoted contribution to Calamvale Leopards J AFC Inc. (CLJ AFC)*

A Life Membership recipient must have made a considerable personal dedication in their service to CLJ AFC, well beyond that of other volunteers.

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** Awarding Life Membership should not be treated lightly.

Criteria

Life membership is to be reserved for those whose contribution to, and/or on behalf of, CLJ AFC goes beyond the ordinary, or even the excellent, for an extended period of time (not just a few years).

These must include:

General Considerations

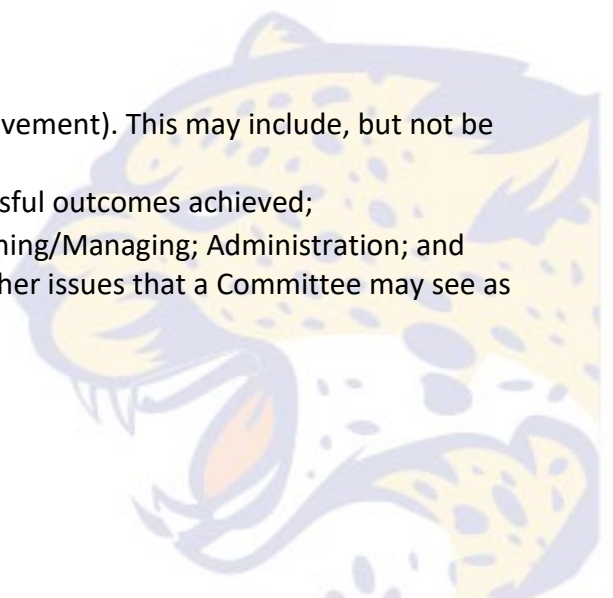
- The general attitude and overall demeanour of the nominee shows a dedication to the values of the Club
- Commitment to the principals of good sportsmanship
- Valued leadership and good role modelling that reflects credit upon the Club

Length of Service

- The length of service to the Club should be extended service of 10 years continuous membership, as required by the Constitution Article 5 Section 3

Other Specific Criteria

1. Actively contributing to the core goals and values of CLJ AFC
2. A prolonged and continuing contribution (not a one-off achievement). This may include, but not be limited to:
 - a. Official positions held, noting duration of services and successful outcomes achieved;
 - b. Four areas of service in the Club could include: Playing; Coaching/Managing; Administration; and General Contribution (including fund-raising, supporting and other issues that a Committee may see as relevant);





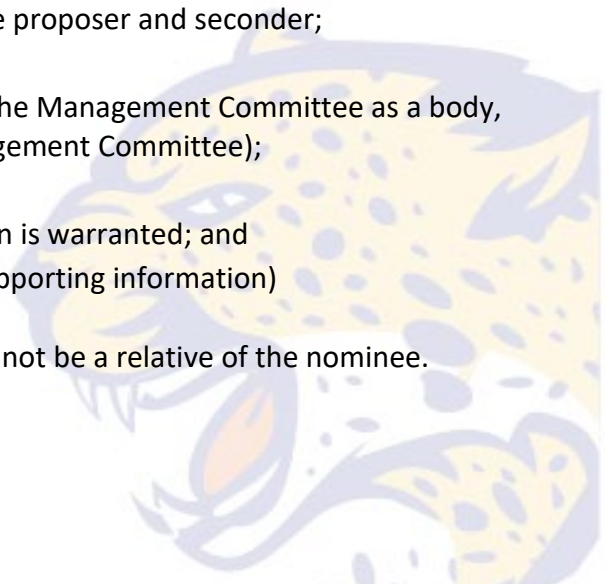
- c. Year-in, year-out and year-round contributions;
 - d. Recognition of the quiet achievers, not limiting awards to those who are most vocal or hold senior positions.
3. The contribution must extend well beyond the expectations of a normal volunteer, and leave the general membership in no doubt of the person's merit – it must be in the excellent and exceptional category.

Guidelines

- 1. It is accepted that not all nominations will be successful.
- 2. A maximum of two Life Memberships may be awarded each year, however this number may be discretionary.
- 3. Life Memberships shall not necessarily be awarded every year.

Process

- 1. Nominations for Life membership should be forwarded by a Committee member to the President of the Club Committee no later than 4 weeks before the AGM in each year preferably on our club application form. The Management Committee will provide criteria and a nomination form upon request.
- 2. Nominees should demonstrate:-
 - 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 or contribution deemed appropriate at the discretion of the Committee
 - other details of exemplary service.
- 3. The closing date for nominations must be no later than 30 days prior to the next Annual General Meeting generally held at the end of November.
- 4. Nominations are to be submitted to the Secretary of the Management Committee, and:
 - a. preferably submitted on the club nomination form noting the proposer and seconder;
 - b. proposer and seconder must be financial members;
 - c. received from within the Membership (i.e. not proposed by the Management Committee as a body, although proposer and seconder can be members of the Management Committee);
 - d. based on criteria provided;
 - e. no more than a one page document detailing why the citation is warranted; and
 - f. clearly documented and corroborated (possible additional supporting information)
- 5. Proposers and seconders may not self-nominate, and should not be a relative of the nominee.





6. Length of membership is to be verified by the Registrar..

7. Nominations are to be assessed by the Life Memberships Sub-Committee, which shall consist of 3 existing Life Members. In the event that no Life Members have yet been elected then consideration of nominees shall fall with the Management Committee.

8. Consideration and endorsement is required based on validation of contents of nomination.

9. If there is any doubt of the required level being achieved, or lack of information about the nominee that makes such a conclusion impossible, then the Life Memberships Sub- Committee / Management Committee members should consider voting in the negative.

10. If more than two suitable nominations are received, the Life Memberships Sub-Committee / Management Committee will determine by ballot the two persons to be recognised as Life Members.

11. Life Membership recommendations are to be confidential with only the final decision of the Life Memberships Sub-Committee in favour of the nomination being announced publicly.

12. The Life Memberships Sub-Committee is to make the final decision on which nominations are to be put forward to the membership for consideration and voting.

13. All nominations for Life Membership are to be considered at the Management Committee meeting prior to the next Annual General Meeting.

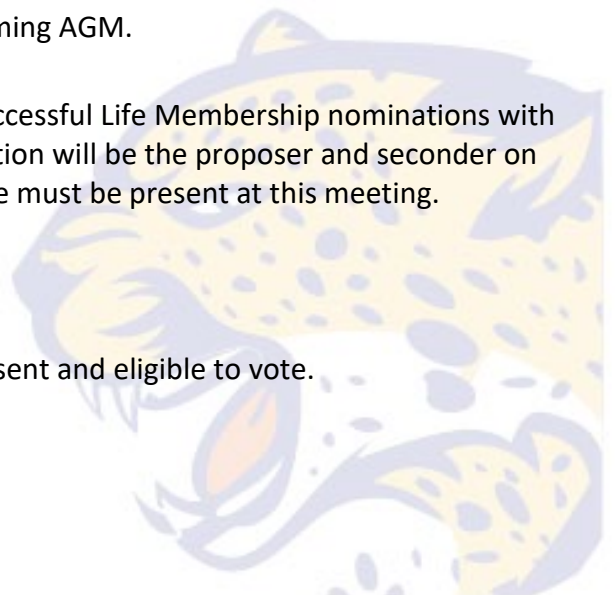
14. The proposer of any unsuccessful nomination is to be provided with reasons for the decision.

15. Unsuccessful nominations will not be tabled at the forthcoming AGM.

16. The Secretary is to put forward a motion for approval of successful Life Membership nominations with the agenda for an AGM. The proposer and seconder of this motion will be the proposer and seconder on the nomination and at least one, or a nominated representative must be present at this meeting.

17. Life Membership is to be awarded only at an AGM.

18. Life Membership requires a 75% majority vote of those present and eligible to vote.





Revocation

1. Life Membership can be revoked in extraordinary circumstances.
2. Should a Life Member act in a manner that causes, or has the potential to cause harm to CLJ AFC, the Management Committee, or two or more general members, can call a Special General Meeting to propose a resolution to revoke a Life Membership.
3. The Resolution to revoke Life Membership must be supported by evidence and the person to whom the resolution applies be given a fair opportunity to respond to the resolution.
4. In the event that no response is forthcoming, the resolution will be put to a vote of those present at the meeting. A 75% majority vote of those present is required for the resolution to take effect.

Life Membership Benefits

- Free complimentary annual membership.
- Same rights as a normal member – can vote, fill committee positions, etc.
- Noted as Life Member in CLJ AFC minutes, newsletters, CLJ AFC website and the Constitution.
- Rights to attend committee meetings and inclusion in distribution of minutes.
- Exemption from all costs associated with social functions organised by the club (this privilege is only extended to the Life Member-not their partner or other family members)
- Provided with a certificate indicating their Life Membership and dedicated service to CLJ AFC.
- Provided with a Life Membership Badge

