

# **YARRAWONGA MULWALA GOLF CLUB RESORT**

## **Name of Policy: LIFE MEMBER POLICY**

**STATEMENT:** Yarrowonga Mulwala Golf Club Resort is committed to and recognizes Honorary Life Membership as the most prestigious award available to a Member of the Club. It is bestowed upon individual Members who have provided exceptional, loyal and outstanding service and significant contribution to the Club over an extended period of time.

**DEFINITION:** "Life Member" is a person who has demonstrated meritorious contribution of service to the club over an extended period, which has had demonstrated & measurable benefit to the Yarrowonga Mulwala Golf Club Resort and membership.

### **POLICY:**

- Any current fully financial member can nominate any member for consideration by the Board with the nomination seconded by at least one other member.
- Nominations in writing should outline the nominator's reasons for proposing the candidate and should meet the guidelines stated in the criteria.
- Honorary Life Membership cannot be nominated by or supported by a family member.
- In the event of a nominee serving on the Board at the time of nomination, the nominee will not be eligible to participate in any deliberation relating to the nomination.
- The nomination will be reviewed by the Board at the next available Board meeting.
- The Board will present the nomination to the next Annual General Meeting for determination. The resolution to be carried by a simple majority of eligible voters (Rule 37).
- The granting of Honorary Life Membership and the recipient's service to the Club will be publicized through the Club's Media and Communication tools.

**The Executive Committee will monitor compliance with this Policy.**

### **PROCEDURE:**

Granting Honorary Life Membership is a balancing exercise, with the following criteria being provided as guidance -

- The nominee will have demonstrated an exceptional contribution of service to the club over an extended period which has had demonstrated & measurable benefit to the Club and membership.

- The nominee should be considered individually and on their personal attributes and achievements, and not in comparison to others.
- The nominee must have served a minimum 10 years in specific roles that contribute to the benefit of the Club- these roles may include service to the Board, fund-raising, promotional role, volunteering, mentoring, assistance with new member and social functions.
- The nominee may have represented the Club with distinction in the broader sporting, community and various governing bodies.
- The nominee may have represented the Club as a player in local, regional or national competitions.
- The nominee has demonstrated an attitude and demeanor that reflects dedication to the values of the club including good sportsmanship and community spirit.
- The nominee has been regarded as a leader within the club and displays high values and integrity.
- The Life Member who currently has the longest tenure will be offered the number one membership number.
- The resolution for life membership will be decided by a majority in a secret ballot.

In determining whether to bestow Life Membership to an individual, the Board shall consider the following important factors;

- (a) Quality;
- (b) Length;
- (c) Standard and level of service; and
- (d) Positions held and duration.

**RELATED LEGISLATION; Nil**

**RELATED DOCUMENTS:**

Clause 37 of Constitution

**RELATED POLICIES: NIL**

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