

SUBJECT: WOODVILLE DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB LIFE MEMBERSHIP – CRITERIA & PROCEDURE

The following document provides a framework to assist in the determination of those persons deemed appropriate to receive WDCC Life membership.

1. Qualification

To qualify for Life Membership in Woodville District Cricket Club (WDCC) an individual must meet the following criteria:

1. The candidate shall have completed a minimum of fifteen years service as:
 - a player in A, B, C or D grade playing sides or
 - a member of any WDCC committee in an administrative capacity or any person in a non-playing role (e.g volunteer) or
 - a combination of the above

2. Demonstrated significant or outstanding contributions made in the progress of the goals and objectives of the WDCC over several years which are clearly recognised, respected, acknowledged and endorsed by all members who know them.

2. Nominations

1. Nominations for Life Membership must be made on the official life member nomination form.

2. In regard to Qualification 1.2, the Nomination must articulate the reasons why Life Membership is considered appropriate and where possible, specify examples of work or involvement which has significantly contributed to the WDCC.

3. Process

The process for considering applications for Life Members shall be as follows:

1. Applications shall be submitted confidentially.

2. Applications for life membership must be signed by at least one (1) financial or honorary member prior to presenting to the WDCC Management Committee for their consideration of said nomination.

3. Nominations must reach the Club Secretary no later than 28th February.

4. Once having received a valid nomination the Club Secretary must inform the WDCC Management Committee to enable the nomination to be scrutinised at the next available Management Committee meeting.
5. The WDCC Committee will consider only nominations made in the period since the Last Annual General Meeting.
6. The WDCC Secretary will prepare a report and present to the WDCC Management Committee on each nomination summarising the successful or unsuccessful nominees.
7. The report(s) are required to reach the last WDCC Management Committee Meeting before the 30th April.
8. The Secretary shall present the submitted report to the chairperson and the committee will be convened to consider the application or applications.
9. After any discussion, a secret ballot vote shall be taken. The votes shall be counted by the chairperson and any other person summoned to assist.
10. A vote of a minimum of three quarters of the committee members present shall be required to confer Life Membership. Once the vote has been counted, the chairperson shall announce the results to the committee and inform the President of same, but shall not discuss the number of votes cast in favour or opposition and the ballots shall be destroyed.
11. Successful Nominees' will be presented with their Life Membership status of the WDCC at the end of season Presentation Night.
12. All persons involved in the Life Membership selection process will keep the process and vote results confidential.
13. The decision is final and if a nomination is not endorsed by the WDCC Management Committee an additional nomination may be submitted in future financial years.

4. Presentation

1. An Official Life Membership Plaque, numbered and dated, and Badge will be presented at the end of the current playing season on Presentation Night.
2. The Life Members Name will be displayed on the WDCC Website.
3. The Life Members Name will be added to the WDCC archives of Life Members.

4. If the life member is a player, then the option of payment of player subscriptions will be considered.
5. An free invitation (including spouse/partner) will be provided to all major events within the Club.

5. Special Notes

Life Membership is not automatically given to a spouse or partner. A spouse or partner must be nominated in their own right.

6. Forfeiture of Life Membership

Life Membership is absolutely forfeited upon any failure to observe any by-laws or constitutional requirements and will be forfeited upon the passing of a special resolution for the removal from Life Membership for extreme reasons not limited to but as bringing the name of the WDCC into disrepute.