



Oakhill Drive Netball Club

Life Membership

This award exists to recognise the valuable contribution of individuals to the current and future existence of the Club. It is therefore only to be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

The aim is to make Life Membership hard to obtain so that it is respected by members and valued by recipients.

It should be recognised that Life Membership does not have to be awarded each year.

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 Club.

The criteria for considering any nomination include:

1. 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.
- Active involvement in the function of the Club which includes factors such as attendance at functions, willing acceptance of tasks that need to be done to keep the Club running and general contribution to the Club.

2. Length of Service

- Only voluntary service counts towards Life Memberships.
- The length of service to the Club should be extended service of 10 years minimum (non-consecutive) as a player, umpire, coaching and/or as a volunteer role with such service in either role being taken concurrently.

3. Other Specific Criteria

- Specific achievement, both on and off the court, will be taken into consideration.

Five areas of service in the Club could include:

- Playing
- Umpiring
- Coaching/Managing
- Administration/Convenor Role
- General Active Volunteer/ Club Champion.

Benefits of Life Membership

- Award of the Life Membership at the Annual Presentation Night.
- Exemption from membership fees for that member associated with the Club.
- Personal invitation to all Club events.
- Status of being a member of a select group within the Club.
- Perpetual Voting rights at Club General and Annual General Meetings.

Process for Assessing Applications for Life Membership

- Nominations for Life Membership can occur in writing at any point during the season.
- Nominations must be seconded by any existing General Committee Member.
- Nominations will be considered at a General Committee Meeting and is subject to a majority voting agreement by Committee Members.

Nominations should demonstrate:

- Attainment of minimum service requirements. The written nomination should include a detailed timeline of the nominee's involvement and contribution to the Club.
- An outstanding contribution in at least two of the five areas of service as deemed appropriate at the discretion of the Committee.
- Other details of exemplary service.

Life members shall have perpetual voting rights at all Club General Meetings and Club Annual General Meetings for their Life Term.

