



West End Rowing Club Life Membership

This policy sets out the criteria to be eligible for nomination for an award of Life Membership of the West End Rowing Club.

Life Membership is the highest Award available to recognise the exceptional contribution of individuals to the West End Rowing Club and is therefore only to be awarded in exceptional circumstances. By way of example, as of April 2021, (the 143rd year of the Club's existence) only [61] Life Memberships have been awarded.

Nomination for Life Membership

Any current financial member may nominate another member for consideration for the Life Membership award. Nominations must be submitted in writing to the club's Executive Board.

The nomination should highlight the achievements and activities of the nominee and at a minimum must meet the criteria as set out below. Nominations must be received by the Executive Board no later than 1st April in the year which the nomination is to be considered for presentation at the Club's AGM.

Award Criteria

In considering the award of Life Membership an individual should have demonstrated significant, sustained and high-quality contribution or services to the Club enhancing the operations, reputation and future of the Club and its members.

The following points will be taken into account when considering any nomination, but are not exclusive or definitive.

- The nominee's length of contribution to the club.
- Offices held within the club.
- Involvement in volunteer coaching, administration, catering, building/plant maintenance or other volunteer services at the Club.
- The general attitude and overall demeanour of the nominee must be such that it demonstrates:
 - dedication to the values of the Club;
 - valued leadership; and/or
 - good role modelling;that reflects creditably upon the Club.
- The nominee must be a currently active, financial member of the Club.

Please note that fulfilment or any or all of the above service levels will not in any way automatically generate the award of Life Membership, which is awarded by a 2/3 majority vote of Club members at general meeting, upon the recommendation (in its utmost discretion) of the Executive Board.