



## CNSW LIFE MEMBER APPOINTMENT

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Croquet NSW acknowledges the traditional owners of the lands of NSW on which we meet and enjoy croquet. We pay our respects to elders past and present and emerging

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## 1. Introduction

This Policy outlines the process for appointing a Life Member of Croquet NSW. It is not meant to replace any processes used by CNSW Clubs for appointing a life member to their Club.

## 2. CNSW Constitution 2021 Section 7C Life Members

- (1) A person who at the date of adoption of this constitution was a life member of CNSW or who has been appointed as a life member pursuant to sub-clause (2) shall be entitled to be known as a Life Member of CNSW notwithstanding that membership of CNSW is limited to Member Clubs.
- (2) The Board may recommend to Member Clubs in general meeting that a person who has rendered distinguished service to croquet be appointed as a Life Member, and upon such recommendation being approved by the passing of a special resolution such person shall become a Life Member.
- (3) The Board may, by a unanimous resolution passed at a meeting at which all the directors are present, revoke the life membership of any person.
- (4) Life Members are entitled to be Registered Players for life and without payment of any fee in respect of their being a Registered Player.

## 3. Criteria

- Registered Player of Croquet NSW for at least 15 years
- The nominee has made an outstanding contribution to croquet at a state level, for at least 10 years, in at least one of the following areas and a significant contribution over at least five years in at least one of the other areas or contribution deemed appropriate.
  - Playing
  - Coaching/Managing/Officiating
  - Administration
  - General contribution (including fund-raising, supporting and other issues that are relevant)

## 4. Nomination

Nominations must be:

- in writing
- received at least three months before the Annual General Meeting (AGM) or other special general meeting where the nomination is to be voted on.
- nominated by club that is a member of CNSW.
- addresses all the criteria that the nominator wants the Board to consider.

The Board may seek further information from the nominator or other suitable Registered Players

## 5. Appointment

- The board determines that a nomination meets the criteria and if the nominee does meet the criteria the nomination is an Agenda item for the AGM or the special general meeting where the nomination is voted on.
- If a nomination does not meet the criteria or is not endorsed by the Board the reasons are provided to the nominator in writing
- Delegates of Member Clubs vote by a special resolution to award or not award life membership at the AGM or the special general meeting.
- Granting of Life Membership to be entered in the CNSW records.
- The life member's name to be added to the Life Member Honour Board

## 6. General Principles to Consider in Granting Life Membership

- The granting of a Life Membership is a great honour and should not be treated lightly. It is recognized that a Life Membership does not have to be awarded each year.
- Life Membership should not be considered as a competitive matter and nominees must be considered individually and on their personal attributes and achievements and not in comparison with others. While it is inevitable that comparisons will be made, for example, against the types of achievements of past recipients, direct comparisons should not be made.
- Granting Life Membership is a balancing exercise. Criteria are provided for guidance, but it is the overall contribution of the nominee that must be evaluated. There is necessarily some subjectivity in the granting of Life Membership. Nominees' strengths against the various criteria will vary. Some nominees will be extremely strong in some criteria but weaker against others, others will be more rounded.
- Life Membership is reserved for those whose contribution goes beyond the ordinary or even the excellent for an extended period, not just a few years.
- CNSW Life Members do not pay affiliation fees for CNSW or ACA, fees at the club level is entirely up to the club,

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