

Life Membership Bylaw

Background

Any member or recognised committee may nominate for Life Membership any member who has rendered ***exceptional voluntary service*** to the Club over a ***significant period*** of time.

A nomination for life membership should be made in writing to the Executive Committee of the RPYC at least 21 days prior to an AGM, to allow time for the Executive Committee to assess the merits of the nominations and determine if the nomination will be included on the agenda for the AGM.

Criteria for Nomination

- Length of membership at the club [should be over 10+ years]
- Contribution to the Club including, but not limited to, volunteer work on the executive committee, sub-committees, sports, and any other Club activities [should be over 10+ years]
- Member to be of Good Standing [no major incidents / discipline issues on record & no financial matters outstanding]
- Significant achievement in a Club recognized sport deserving of recognition
- Peer recognition

Process

1. Written nomination to be submitted to the Executive Committee for review, at least 21 days prior to the Annual General Meeting (AGM held in final week of March each year).
2. Executive Committee to review nomination and to vote on whether nomination should be put to the members. This requires a special resolution [75%] of the committee. The Executive Committee can request any additional information required in order to make an informed decision.
3. The Executive Committee may approve for nomination no more than two members for Life Membership in any one year.
4. Notice of approved nomination shall be conspicuously displayed at the Club premises for at least 14 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.
5. At the next Annual General Meeting the nominating Member will be invited to speak on why they put forward the Nominee, questions and / or comments from the floor can be taken.
6. Member/s shall become a Life Member upon resolution to that effect being carried by special majority [75%] of the members present and entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting.