

West Lakes Sports Club Inc.

Life Membership

Life Membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed by the WLSC for longstanding and valued service to the WLSC. A Life Member is appointed as per the WLSC Constitution. Any Member may recommend a person (Nominee) for Life Membership by notice in writing to the Committee, using the following criteria.

1. Minimum Length of Service

There is no strict minimum requirement, the Nominee should demonstrate a history active and continuous service in one of the following categories:

- Committee Member or other recognised volunteer for at least 6 years.
- Staff member for at least 8 years.

2. Significant Contributions

The Nominee must have made a substantial contribution through volunteer work, administration, fundraising, or other activities that have positively impacted the club's growth, success, or community engagement.

The Nominee's contributions should have a long-lasting effect on the WLSC, either by improving its reputation or operations, by being instrumental in the club's success or development in key areas, such as affiliated club relationships, facility improvements, or financial sustainability.

A proven commitment by the Nominee across multiple summer and winter seasons and all facets of the club should be considered valuable. Demonstrating a fostering of a positive environment for all members and resisting bias or favouritism towards a particular club or season is also valuable to acknowledge of a Nominee.

3. Promotion of Club Values

The Nominee should have consistently demonstrated the following values:

- Integrity - We uphold the highest standards of behaviour and respect both on and off the field, fostering a welcoming and inclusive environment.
- Excellence - We are committed to advancing the success and reputation of the WLSC and our affiliated clubs by encouraging participation, development, and the pursuit of being the best we can across all levels.

- Unity - We believe in the power of working together, supporting each other, and maintaining strong relationships with our affiliated clubs, members, and the wider community.

4. Active Participation

The Nominee should be actively involved in the club, even beyond their official duties, showing commitment to the club's events, meetings, and general community presence. Ongoing contributions, rather than past involvement alone, will be valued.

Ongoing Benefits

The Committee may offer additional or tailored benefits in recognition of long-term dedication or outstanding service. Common benefits might include:

- Acknowledgment on an honour board and other locations or publications.
- Free or discounted membership fees.
- Invitations to special events.
- Represent the WLSC at external functions.
- Continued or special voting rights at annual general meetings.
- Support with the selection of future Life Members.