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Honorary Life Membership Guidelines (Policy)

The Phillip Island Golf Club ('PIGC') recognizes Honorary Life Membership as the most prestigious award available to a PIGC member.

It is bestowed upon an individual Member who has provided exceptional, loyal and outstanding service and contribution to the Club over an extended period of time.

This policy document should be read in conjunction with the Rules of The Phillip Island Golf Club.

In terms of the PIGC's constitution only the Board can nominate a member for Life Membership.

However, any current financial member can make a recommendation to the Board that the Board consider nominating any full or retired member for Life Membership.

The Board's policy in respect to recommendations is set out below.

1. The recommendation should be in writing and supported by one other fully financial member.
2. The recommendation should follow the template set up for such purposes. A copy of this template can be obtained from the Club's website.
3. The recommendation should outline the reasons for proposing the candidate for Life Membership and should meet the guidelines stated in the criteria.
4. Honorary Life Membership recommendations cannot be submitted by or supported by a family member.
5. In the event that the recommended person is a current Board member at the time, this member will be ineligible to participate in any deliberation relating to the matter.
6. The Board will vote on the life membership proposal by way of secret ballot. To formalise the nomination the majority of the Board must support the nomination.
7. If the proposal for Life Membership is supported, the Board will table the nomination at the subsequent Annual General Meeting for final ratification. Members will be notified of this by a Special Notice of Resolution. Ratification of the proposal at the AGM must have at least 80% of members voting to support the nomination. The vote will be conducted by secret ballot which will take place exclusively during the meeting.
8. The granting of Honorary Life Membership and the recipient's service to the Club will be publicised through the Club's Media and Communication tools.

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Criteria:

Granting Honorary Life Membership is a balancing exercise. The following criteria should be addressed.

The member should:

- Have demonstrated an exceptional contribution of service to the Club over an extended period of time which has resulted in a demonstrated and measurable benefit to the Club and its members.
- Be considered individually and on their personal attributes and achievements and not in comparison to others.
- Have been a member of PIGC for a cumulative period of not less than 15 years.
- Have displayed significant involvement in specific roles that directly contribute to the benefit of the Club - these roles may include service to the Board, fund-raising and promotional roles, volunteering, mentoring and assisting new members and supporting social functions.
- Have represented the Club with distinction in the broader golfing community and various golf governing bodies.
- Have represented the Club as a participant in local, regional or national competitions.
- Have demonstrated an attitude and demeanour and leadership that reflects dedication to the values of PIGC including good sportsmanship and community spirit.
- Be regarded as a role model within the club by displaying valued leadership.

Benefits of Honorary Life Membership:

1. Full Membership of PIGC for life without fees.
2. Free individual access to the Club & Course.
3. Presentation of a Commemorative Badge.
4. Recognition on the Club Honour Board.

Retraction of Life Membership

Retraction of a Life Membership may occur where the recipient has conducted him/herself in a manner that reflects directly and adversely on the image or activities of the Club. This provision will only be exercised in exceptional circumstances and will require the full support of the Board to be enacted.