

# SJFNC

## LIFE MEMBERSHIP POLICY

Approved by Committee in Aug 2018.

### 1. CURRENT CONSTITUTION

The Board may, pursuant to Clause 6 of the Club's Constitution, elect as Life Members any Member who has rendered special and distinguished service to the Club. Other key information outlined in the Constitution is:

- To be nominated for Life Member, a Member must have been a financial Member for a period of not less than ten years
- At least 75% majority vote of the Committee is required to elect a Life Member
- A Life Member shall enjoy the full privileges of the Club without paying any subscription
- Any player who plays two hundred (200) senior games with the Club automatically becomes eligible for nomination for Life Membership

### 2. PURPOSE of POLICY

The Club regards it as very important to recognise special and distinguished service to the Club. There are many people who have had a positive impact at the Club and the purpose of this policy is to provide some criteria and guidance to recognise such service.

The Committee has full discretion over the awarding of Life Memberships. In addition, the Committee reserves the right to withdraw Life Memberships if it deems fit to do so. At least 75% majority vote of the Committee is required to withdraw a Life Membership.

### 3. DEFINITIONS

- Life Membership Sub-Committee – The Sub-Committee established by the Committee to:
  - make recommendations to the Committee regarding the Life Membership Policy
  - consider nominations for and make recommendations to the Committee for the awarding of Life Memberships in accordance with this Policy
- Special and distinguished service – service over a significant period that resulted in a substantially positive and demonstrable outcome for the Club's operations and future capabilities
- Senior grade team:
  - Football – senior or reserve grade teams
  - Netball – all senior grade teams, excluding U/19s for sake of clarity
- Days – days having played for or coached the Club in a senior grade team

### 4. AUTOMATIC LIFE MEMBERSHIP

There is no awarding of automatic Life Membership.

## 5. GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

The Committee reinforces that Life Membership is to be awarded for special and distinguished service only – service over a significant period that resulted in a substantially positive and demonstrable outcome for the Club’s operations and future capabilities.

**Guidelines as to length of service to assist the Life Membership Sub-Committee are as follows:**

**a) Players**

*Football & Netball*

- 200 days

**b) Coaches**

*Football & Netball*

- 200 days

Combined service as a player and coach is to also be considered by the Life Membership Sub-Committee.

**c) Committee and other volunteers**

- 6 seasons as President
- 10 seasons as Committee member
- 12 seasons as a volunteer

Combined service as a player, coach and committee/volunteer is to also be considered by the Life Membership Sub-Committee.

## 6. ENTITLEMENTS

- Club annual Membership
- Invitation to any Life Members dinners, or equivalent function
- Recognition on Club website
- Name on Life Member honour board
- Other entitlements as the Committee deems fit from time to time

## 7. LIFE MEMBERSHIP SUB-COMMITTEE COMPOSITION

- Don Patterson (Chair)
- Dom Podbury
- Greg Cracknell
- Mark Hill
- Fiona Threlfall
- Robin Betz

Composition of the Life Membership Sub-Committee is to be endorsed by the Club Committee.