



## BASKETBALL GEELONG LIFE MEMBERSHIP NOMINATION PROCESS

### DEFINITIONS

**Nominee** refers to any person nominated for Life Membership

**Basketball Geelong** refers to Basketball Geelong Inc. and all of its associated clubs and representative teams, incorporating the history of Geelong Amateur Basketball Association and Geelong Community Basketball Association

**Commission** refers to the Basketball Geelong Commission as per the Constitution of Basketball Geelong Inc.

**Life Members Committee** refers to the Committee established by the Commission for the purpose of assessment of Life Membership nominations

Life Membership is the highest award available to recognize the outstanding contribution of individuals to Basketball Geelong. It is therefore only awarded in exceptional circumstances.

In considering the award for Life Membership an individual should have demonstrated significant, sustained service of the highest quality and enhanced the reputation and standing of Basketball Geelong.

### 1. Nominations

Individuals must be nominated by a present member, staff member or Commissioner of Basketball Geelong.. Nominees will have made a significant contribution through one or more of the following categories:

#### ➤ **SENIOR ELITE**

- Relating to NBL, SEABL, Big V, ABA or equivalent elite program that Basketball Geelong has historically participated in

#### ➤ **JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE**

- Relating to VJBL, State and National Championships

#### ➤ **DOMESTIC**

- Relating to Basketball Geelong Club based basketball

Significant contribution to the Elite, Representative or Domestic categories can be made up of one or a combination of the below roles:

- Contribution as a player, coach, referee or team support staff
- Contribution as association or club management such as Director, Commissioner, Staff Member or Committee Member
- Contribution as a volunteer or sponsor

Nominations must be in writing, seconded by another current member and be received by the Basketball Geelong Commission at least 21 days prior to the club's Annual General Meeting. A Special General Meeting may be called by the Commission to consider the nomination in exceptional circumstances.

Such nomination should list the achievements of the nominee and detail how he/she has contributed to the club in such a way that is worthy of nomination for life membership.

The nomination will first be assessed by the Life Members Committee based on the established selection criteria. If the Life Members Committee feel that the nomination is worthy and meets the established selection criteria, a recommendation will be made to the Basketball Geelong Commission that the nomination be endorsed.

The Basketball Geelong Commission will consider the recommendation of the Life Members Committee and determine if the nomination is suitable for endorsement. Only those nominations considered worthy will be endorsed by the Basketball Geelong Commission and presented at the AGM for vote.

## **2. Nomination Criteria\***

- Nominees length of service to Basketball Geelong shall be at least 15 years in either or both on court or off court
- Nominees who are nominated on the basis of an on-court playing contribution shall have played, coached or been involved in a minimum of 350 senior representative games at the highest elite level of competition that Basketball Geelong was involved with at the time of contribution
- Nominees who have played, coached or been involved in less than 350 senior representative games will only be considered if their contribution in this area and in other areas of Basketball Geelong has been exceptional
- Participated as a Board Member, Director, Commissioner, Committee or Staff member within Basketball Geelong for a minimum of 15 years
- Participated as a volunteer with Basketball Geelong for a period of 15 years. When considering volunteers, the roles and contribution during the period of their service will be taken into account.
- Contributed significantly to Basketball Geelong as a sponsor for a minimum of 15 years.
- The nominee must display an attitude and values that reflect a dedication to Basketball Geelong and a commitment to the principles of fair play and good sportsmanship
- The nominee will have provided valued leadership and/or been an outstanding role model in general
- Nominees may be considered if their service to Basketball Geelong consists of a number of these criteria all of which in combination meet the exceptional service standard required for Life Membership.

*\*Achievement of any or all of the above criteria does not automatically qualify a person for life membership with Basketball Geelong. Nominations will be considered on individual merit. Life membership can be revoked if exceptional circumstances warrant.*

### **3. Voting and acceptance of Life Membership**

Any nomination must be assessed by the Life Members Committee and further endorsed by the Basketball Geelong Commission.

The endorsed nomination must be voted at the AGM or SGM by special resolution with a majority of eligible voting members required to vote in favour for the nomination to be accepted. If the nomination is accepted, Life Membership will awarded immediately with the inductee to be presented at the next official ceremony.

Any eligible voting member who has been nominated for Life Membership may attend the AGM or SGM but may not vote on the acceptance of their own nomination.

### **4. Benefits of Life Membership**

In addition to the honoured status of Life Membership with Basketball Geelong, Life Members will be recognized by:

- Eligibility to vote at AGM and SGM, with each Life Member entitled to 1 vote (individuals are entitled to 1 vote only - if Life Member already holds individual voting status, additional votes will not be given)
- Invitation to Life Member induction ceremonies and official functions
- 1 season pass allowing general admission access to all Big V and SEABL Geelong Supercats games
- Life Membership pricing for Basketball Geelong special events, eligible for 2 tickets
- Recognition and profile on the Basketball Geelong website