

HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP

Under Clause 6.4 of the Constitution, the Directors of WIRES may honour any member as an Honorary Life Member, who has given outstanding service to the Company or the Association. The following outlines the steps for nomination of Branch members to be considered by the Directors for Honorary Life Membership with WIRES:

1. The Branch Management Committee (BMC) unanimously agree on the nomination and this agreement is ratified in BMC Minutes. In the likely occurrence that the nominee is on the BMC, steps can be taken to formalise this agreement confidentially, such as via communications outside of a meeting that can be added as an addendum to minutes at a later date.
2. A proposal outlining the merits of the nomination is to be submitted to the WIRES Membership Team, addressing the assessment criteria noted below and highlighting any significant contributions of the member.
3. The WIRES Membership Team will add any records of relevance and endorsements and submit to the WIRES Directors.
4. The WIRES Directors will consider the proposal at the next Board Meeting.
5. The Directors will inform the WIRES Membership Team of their decision, which will be relayed to the BMC, where they can decide how to present the nominee with the Life Membership.

Honorary Life Membership Assessment Protocol

Nominations for Honorary Life Membership will be assessed against the following criteria:

- (a) The outstanding contributions the member's service has made to the growth, development and standing of WIRES in the broader community.
- (b) The nominee's service shall be recognised as having made a significant impact through leadership, innovation, dedication or disposition.
- (c) The values and behaviours that the nominee has demonstrated throughout their WIRES volunteering, including consistent commitment to wildlife and following policy and advice, as well as engagement with fellow volunteers, community, and the broader WIRES network.
- (d) Length of service by the nominee.
- (e) Length of time in positions (if relevant) such as Species Teams, BMCs, Directors, Trainers etc.
- (f) Any (other) factor considered relevant to life membership consideration by the Board.



The above information is provided to assist potential nominators in preparing life membership nominations.



Honorary Life Membership nomination:

Name of Nominee:	
Branch of Nominee:	
Submitted by:	Date:
Contributions the member's service has made to the growth, development and standing of WIRES in the broader community:	
Demonstration of nominee's leadership, innovation, dedication or disposition:	
Demonstration of nominee's values and behaviours throughout their WIRES volunteering, including consistent commitment to wildlife and following policy and advice, as well as engagement with fellow volunteers, community, and the broader WIRES network:	
Please note any (other) factor considered relevant to life membership consideration of their nomination:	
Length of service by the nominee (to be completed by WIRES Membership Team):	
Position history (to be completed by WIRES Membership Team):	
Additional records of relevance and endorsements (to be completed by WIRES Membership Team):	
Branch referees:	
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