



Newcastle and Hunter Trailer Yacht Association Inc.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

May 2023

Benefits of Life Membership

In addition to the status of membership of a select group within the NHTYA, Life Membership will be recognised by:

- Award of the Life Membership at the Annual Presentation Night
- Exemption from membership fees associated with the Club (separate from racing fees)
- Listing in the Club Web site and other official documents.
- Retains all rights and privileges of a financial member

Life Membership is the highest Award available to recognise the exceptional contribution of individuals to the NHTYA. It is therefore only to be awarded in exceptional circumstances.

Applicants may be considered suitable via the following criteria:

General Considerations

In considering the award of Life Membership an individual should have demonstrated significant, sustained and high quality service enhancing the reputation and future of their chosen field of interest (Cruising, Racing, Social Activities or Club management) and \ or the overall Club.

The points to be taken into account when considering any nomination should include:

- the general attitude and overall demeanour of the nominee to ensure that the attitude is one that reflects a dedication to the values of the NHTYA which are;
 - commitment to the principals of good sportsmanship
 - valued leadership and good role modelling that reflects credit upon the NHTYA.
- Or an exceptional act.

These points apply in whatever role the nominee has participated in during their service in the NHTYA.

Length of Membership

The length of membership to the Club should be at least 10 years continual service in either or both an “On Water Participation” or “Off Water Committee” roles. An applicant must be a current financial member of the NHTYA.

Process for Assessing Applications for Life Membership

Applications for Life membership can be forwarded in writing to the Secretary of the Association by 30th April in each year. Applications should demonstrate attainment of minimum service requirements and other details of exemplary service. Suitable nominations will be then considered for “Life Membership” by the Management Committee.

Achieving minimum service levels does not automatically guarantee the award of Life Membership. If the Management Committee approves the application by a majority vote, it then needs to be ratified by members at the following Annual General Meeting. Life Membership will be awarded at the Annual Presentation Night.

Retraction of a Life Membership

Retraction of a Life Membership Award may occur where the recipient has conducted him/herself in a manner that reflects directly and adversely on the image or activities of the. This provision will only be exercised in exceptional circumstances and will require the full support of the NHTYA Management Committee to be enacted. As part of the deliberations, the Life Member in question is also to be given an opportunity to present their case for retention of their Life Membership status.

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