

## **LIFE MEMBER PROGRAM**

### **POLICY**

The Courtenay and District Fish and Game Protective Association supports and promotes recognition of exceptional volunteer efforts, as those efforts relate to the Constitutional 'Purposes of the Association', of individual members within, and on behalf of, the Association.

### **PURPOSE**

To provide an ongoing program that enables members, who have continually and consistently contributed exceptional volunteer efforts to the Association, to be recognized by their peers, while inspiring all members to contribute more 'for the good of the club' thereby ensuring its growth and development and encouraging Life Members to stay actively involved with the Association which will provide valuable historical resources to the club.

### **SCOPE**

Any member may be nominated for consideration under the Life Member Program.

### **RESPONSIBILITY**

Implementation: This Policy shall be implemented by the Life Member sub-committee (under the Membership Chair) and the Board of the Association. The Life Member sub-committee will consist of the Membership Chair, three members and three Life Members. Committee's responsibilities include providing nomination forms to the membership, receiving nominations in a timely manner, providing comprehensive nominee background information for the approval process, review nominations, and forward any sub-committee approved member names to the Board for final approval.

### **PROCEDURES**

#### Criteria:

- Members may be nominated by any member of the Association by submission of the applicable nomination form.
- It is mandatory that the nominee be a member of the Association for a minimum of ten years.
- The nominee must have continually and consistently provided exceptional volunteer efforts in advancement of the 'Purposes of the Association' in a broad and encompassing manner.

Ratified by Board of Directors – September 24<sup>th</sup> 2018: Approved by members – October 15<sup>th</sup> 2018.

### Approval Process:

- Nominations must be received by the Life Member sub-committee by November 15 of any year.
- Prior to January 15 of any year the Life Member sub-committee shall review nominations and, upon approval by 70% of the Life Member sub-committee, forward to the Board any member's name so approved for consideration and final approval by the Board. Any nominee so approved by the Board will be bestowed their Life Membership at the Annual Awards Night.
- An "Honour Role" of the Association's Life Members, both present and past, will identify their names and years of membership. It will be updated as required and displayed in the Association clubhouse main hall.

### **DEFINITIONS**

- *Life Membership* bestows on the member (and spouse if applicable) membership for life in the Association.
- *Life Members* are not charged Annual Association fees but shall pay any user fees that may be incurred by them while using Association facilities.
- The Life Member Program is membership funded and reflected in the annual budget as such.

### **REFERENCES**

Association Bylaws:

Article 1, Section A, Part 1.1, Part 1.2, and Part 1.2(e)

Amendments to this policy may be recommended from time to time by the Membership Chair, ratified by the Board of Directors, and approved by the members.