

Honorary Life Membership Guide

1. General:

- Honorary Life Membership¹ shall be awarded and conferred at the AGM
- A continuous member of Club for ten years in good standing
- A past committee member for at least 5 years
- Following his term on committee has been actively involved in Club, or Club affairs
- Regularly attended events.
- Any member may nominate any member, with supporting evidence, to the Committee for consideration, provided that such nomination is made in writing, and is received *five* calendar weeks, prior to the commencement of that AGM.

2. Criteria:

2.1. The election of a member as an Honorary Life Member is recognition by the Club of an outstanding contribution to the Club by that member.

2.2. This honor may be bestowed on a member by the committee at any appropriate time, subject to 2.4, below, and is not linked necessarily with that person's retirement from a committee position in the Club.

2.3. An outstanding contribution to the Club is one which:

- results in the Club being substantially, demonstrably and positively changed by that contribution, and
- occurs over a significant period of time (at least 5 to 10 Years), and
- requires substantial and commendable personal input, and can be clearly documented and corroborated.

2.4. The committee can decide the number of Honorary Life Members nominated in any one calendar year.

2.5. Nominations will not be considered if more than 5 years have passed (in the opinion of the committee) since the primary component(s) of the outstanding contribution (on which the nomination for an Honorary Life membership is being judged) was completed or made. This places the onus on proposers to act promptly and ensures that worthy would-be contemporary recipients are not displaced from the period in which their contributions should be recognized.

2.6. Procedures for Election of an Honorary Life Member

The recommendations of the committee, together with appropriate documentation, will be referred to AGM.

3. Points System

In order to provide some components of objective measurement, the points system will be used as an aid to assist in the evaluation of nominations. A score of at least 100 points should be sufficient for a nomination to be submitted for consideration. It is essential that the committee evaluates the points and adjusts where necessary, particularly in cases of double counting. The points, which are indicated on the application form, are a guide only, and as follows:

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A score of over 100 points would be expected before a nomination would be submitted for consideration.

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The point items are aggregated under category headings of:

- . Points Based on BPI Position/s
- . Points Based on BPI affinity
- . Points based on BPI Contribution

To demonstrate an 'outstanding contribution', the applicant should have gained points in at least two categories.

Points Based on BPI Position	
For each completed year as a President, Vice President, Secretary or Treasurer (with a maximum of five years)	10
Points Based on BPI affinity	
For each completed year of continuous membership (with a limit of 10 years)	2
For each completed year participating on BPI committee (with a limit of 10 years)	2
Participating in BPI pride float (with a limit of 5 years)	2
Contestant in BPI competitions, example Bear West (with a limit of 5 years)	2
Points Based on BPI Contribution	
For being directly responsible for a major and successful BPI project, which positively impacts BPI community (verified as such by the nominator or referee (with a maximum of four projects)	10
For outstanding contributions to BPI, such as length of service, exemplary service and contributions which positively change BPI (with a maximum of three verified contributions), as verified by the nominator, or referee and not included in previous sections	10

Portions of this Guide are based on original ACS and Lions Club guide.

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Change Record

Year	Section	Changes
2013	1-3	Standardized nomenclature, grammar, and spelling
2012		Initial Release

¹ Can be abbreviated to just "Life Member"