A guide to the nomination for the award of Honorary Life Membership of the Nelspruit Marathon Club.

Honorary members (Possible Definition)

(a) Honorary Members are such members of the Club who as a result of being:
(i) especially distinguished runners or past runners; or
(ii) persons who have rendered distinguished service to the Club or to the promotion and furtherance of road running; are, on the recommendation of the Committee, elected as honorary members of the club, by a general meetings of the club.
(b) An honorary member shall enjoy the rights of a senior member of the club, but shall not be required to pay the membership fee for that membership.

Honorary Membership may be awarded for such period as the committee determines. Honorary Life Membership is the most prestigious award available to the Club. As such the nomination and award should be given careful consideration.

Honorary Life Membership
Honorary Life Membership is a special form of membership which may be bestowed upon any person whose services to the organisation of the Nelspruit Marathon Club is agreed to have been sufficiently meritorious. Nominations for Life Membership, together with an appropriate support statement specifically detailing the nominee’s involvement within the organization of Nelspruit Marathon club, and contributions to it, must be submitted in writing to the NMC Executive Committee at least six (6) weeks prior to the General Meeting of the Club. A member of the club must make the nomination.

Nomination
The nomination must be made on the pro forma included with this guide. All relevant sections must be completed and no other form of nomination shall be acceptable. This nomination will form the basis of the citation to be awarded with the symbol of Life Membership as determined from time to time.

Process to be followed
Upon receipt of any nominations for this award, the Chairperson of the NMC shall, refer the nomination to the Executive Committee. The committee shall consider the merit of the application against the criteria, and make its recommendation to the Annual General meeting for acceptance and the award of the Honorary Life Membership.

Symbol of Award
The symbol of this award shall be a Photo (or such object as may be determined from time to time), and the Citation in a format suitable for framing, which will be presented to approved recipients at a ceremony determined by the Executive of the NMC.

Guide to Nomination Criteria
Life membership may be recommended for any highly meritorious contribution to the sport. The following do not attempt to be exhaustive guidelines, but rather to give ideas and scope to the types of contribution that could be rewarded.

Administrators
- The nominee has made a significant contribution to the management of the organisation of NMC over an extensive period of time (perhaps 10 years) in an administrative capacity.
- The nominee has made a significant contribution to the sporting success of the NMC over an extensive period of time in an individual or team capacity (perhaps 10 years).
- The nominee has made a significant contribution to the sport as a referee, technical official, or delegate of a member club over an extensive period of time (perhaps 10 years).
- The nominee has made a significant contribution to the sport as a coach over an extensive period of time (perhaps 10 years).
- The nominee has made a significant contribution to the sport through an association such as a Sponsorship, Sport medicine; sport physiotherapy, sport psychology, Provincial or National Federation, or government bodies (perhaps 10 years).

All details of the history of contribution should be included on the following nomination document.
NMC LIFE MEMBERSHIP AWARD NOMINATION FORM

I, Family Name: …………………………………………………
Given Name: ………………………………………………………
a member of NMC wish to nominate:
Nominee Family Name: ………………………………………
Nominee Given Name: ………………………………………
for Life Membership of the Nelspruit Marathon Club effective from the next General Meeting of the Club.

Signature:………………………………………………………… Date / / 

I have read the criteria and believe that this nominee complies with the criteria and has made a meritorious contribution to the Club as detailed below.
As such we would like the NMC to accept this nomination and consider the person stated above for the award.

To help in considering the nomination, please tell us a bit about the nominee under the following headings (where applicable):

1. Detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to the management of the organisation of NMC over an extensive period of time (perhaps 10 years) in an administrative capacity. As accurately as you can please list titles of positions held and the period and the nominee’s achievements.
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2. Detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to the sporting success of the NMC over an extensive period of time in an individual or team capacity (perhaps 10 years). Detail sporting record, results and names and dates of tournaments where possible.

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3. Detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to the sport as a referee, technical official, or delegate of a member club over an extensive period of time (perhaps 10 years). As accurately as you can please list titles of positions held and the period and the nominees achievements.

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3. Detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to the sport as a coach over an extensive period of time (perhaps 10 years). List names of athletes coached and their major results.

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4. Detail the ways in which the nominee has made a significant contribution to the sport through an association such as a Sponsorship, Sport medicine; sport physiotherapy, sport psychology, State Sporting Group Association, or government bodies (perhaps 10 years). As accurately as you can please list titles of positions held and the period and the nominee’s achievements and how these were of benefit to the sport of Road Running.

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Outline any other contributions that they have brought to your club, or Road running in general Nationally or Internationally.

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A life member is usually someone who has dedicated at least ten years meritorious service to the sport. If your nominee has contributed over a shorter period, what do you think sets their contribution apart? – What makes them special?

Please add a separate sheet if required with any other details about the nominee.

Please return to: Nelspruit Marathon Club Chairperson or Secretary