



Newstead Recreation Reserve
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N.C.C. Life Membership – Est. 2001/02

Rationale and History of The Award

The Newstead Cricket Club has a proud history of participation in competitive cricket across Central Victoria. Since the Gold Rush of the 1850s, cricket has been played in Newstead and without dedicated individuals throughout the last 120 years the club would cease to exist today.

From the reformation of the club in the 1960s to the early 2000s the club grew on and off the field thanks to the hard and dedicated work of many. On the back of this success the committee of the day decided to introduce a Life Membership Award and subsequently announced two inaugural Life Members. These were Ross Barker and the late Phil Butcher.

In 2023/24 The Committee decided to further formalise the Life Membership Award and thus the following selection process and criteria below was adopted. The Committee members involved were; Ian Garsed, Ben Walter, Cameron Hepburn, Rob Cook, Kris Walter, Lachie Park, Zac Carson, Joe Park, Sam Reece, Hilton Hazeltine, Adam Sewell, Sam Chapman, Paul Righetti. Gen Butler

Life Members

Phil Butcher – inducted 2000/01

Ross Barker – inducted 2000/01

Don Culvenor – inducted 2023/24

Nomination Process

Any member of The Newstead Cricket Club or the wider community can nominate someone for Life Membership status. Nominations must be made in writing and either emailed to newsteadcricketclub@gmail.com or delivered to the club President or Secretary. Nominations must address the criteria as outlined below.

Selection Process

Nominations will be thoroughly discussed and considered by the General Committee before any decision is made to award Life Membership status. When considering a nominee, the committee will be guided by the selection criteria below.

For Life Membership to be considered a Meeting Quorum must be reached (at least 2 thirds of committee members present). All committee members are required to vote.

If no consensus can be reached then the decision will go to a vote with a successful majority required to grant Life Membership status.

New inductees will be announced at The Annual Presentation Night, usually in late March to early April. And will receive a Medallion and Name on Honour Board.

In the situation where a nominee's contribution to The N.C.C. cannot be verified due to the passing of time since their involvement, the Committee will endeavour to corroborate their contribution as best they can.

Criteria for Selection – potential criteria and not limited to

Criteria A – Playing

Games played – played a minimum of 100 Games of Senior/Women's/Juniors Cricket

Financial and Active – been a financial and substantially active member of the club for a minimum of 10 years whether playing or non-playing

Leadership – Coached or Captained a side for a minimum of 2 seasons

Criteria B – Off-field

General Committee – have spent a minimum of 10 years on the committee

Executive – Have been appointed to and performed an Executive Committee Position (President, Secretary, Treasurer etc.) for a minimum of 5 years

Have displayed commitment to the club through volunteer service, on game days, at training and through fundraising events. Coached juniors etc.

Criteria C – Personal Attributes

To be awarded Life Membership the selected nominee must have displayed a significant contribution to the club both on and off-field. This person must have provided a dedicated and consistent contribution to The N.C.C. and shown qualities that align with our Clubs Code of Conduct. See website for N.C.C. Code of Conduct.

Maximum of 2 inductees per year, no minimum.

The above criteria are not automatic grounds for the granting of Life Membership. In determining the candidate's nomination, consideration should be given to a comparison with existing Life Members' achievements.