



## **Policy Relating to Life and Honorary Membership**

### **Introduction**

1. Eltham Bowling Club (the Club) may occasionally reward long serving members or exceptional service from members.

### **Definitions**

2. **Honorary Life Membership Award.** This is the highest honour bestowed by the Club, reserved for individuals who have rendered exceptional service to the sport and to the Club directly for a minimum of 15 years. Honorary Life Membership may be conferred upon any full member. All Honorary Life Members shall have the right to attend, speak and vote at the Annual General Meeting. They are entitled to represent the club in bowling activities.

3. **Honorary (Social) Membership.** This can typically be awarded to former members who can no longer play competitively but wish to remain involved, or to individuals the committee wants to recognize for non-playing contributions. They will have rendered exceptional service to the sport and to the Club directly for a minimum of 15 years. They generally have full access to the club pavilion and social facilities and may be allowed to participate in casual social bowling sessions. All Honorary (Social) Members shall have the right to attend and speak, but not vote, at the Annual General Meeting.

### **General**

4. Life Members are usually exempt from annual club subscription fees, although they may still be required to pay the standard national/county affiliation fees depending on the club's specific financial rules.

5. The election of Honorary Members shall be placed before the Annual General Meeting (AGM) each year and such Honorary Members shall be duly elected if two thirds of those present, and entitled to vote, vote in favour of election.

6. Nominations must be submitted to the Club Secretary no later than 28 days prior to the Annual General Meeting.

7. Successful awards are typically conferred at the Club's Annual General Meeting.

## Reviews

- Revision dates will be recorded at the end of this document.

## Executive Committee Eltham Bowling Club

### Revision History

Date	Version	Description of change
14/12/2025	V0.1	Policy draft
08/01/2026	V0.2	Amended to include length of service in Paras 2 & 3
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