AUSTRALIAN FLYBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

Nomination for Life membership

Life Membership is recognised by the Australian Flyball Association as the highest recognition awarded to a member in acknowledgement of outstanding service and exceptional contribution to the Association over an extended period of time.

- Nominations for this Award must be submitted to the AFA Secretary, through your Regional Representative
- Member recommendations should be submitted to the Committee in writing by 11 October, 2024
- Nominations must be supported by a minimum of 5 AFA financial members in total. (The nominator as well as 4 additional financial members.)
- The nominated person can be elected by vote of at least two thirds of members voting at the AGM
- Constitution states that not more than two such honorary appointments can be made in any year.
- Full details are available on the AFA web site https://flyball.org.au/honour-board/

Details of Person being Nominated							
Name:	David Strong						
CRN:	2792	Date:	26/9/24				
Club:	Tassie Flying Paws Club	11.45					

Details of Nominator						
Name:	Frank Lux			Signature:		
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Nomination Supported by								
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Please complete all details and forward to your Regional Representative for submission to the Committee

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Reviewed at meeting date:

Reason for Nomination

David has been a member of the AFA since 2012, driving the growth of Flyball in Tasmania and, for the last 6 years, serving on the AFA committee. He is a stalwart supporter of Flyball, attending many State and National race meetings outside of Tasmania either assisting at the event and/or as a competitor.

As a founding member and now President of the Tassie Flying Paws Club, he has organised some 50 Flyball demonstrations which has led to club membership growing from the original 10 members to 52 with four Flyball training groups situated across the State. Supervising and overseeing training groups at these outposts has involved David in regular travel to some averaging 500km a trip.

Further, he has organised annual Flyball race meetings in Tassie each year since 2019 and drove the introduction of the new Pairs class of Flyball racing into the AFA rules to assist small jurisdictions and clubs to have flyball Race Meetings while growing their membership numbers.

Perhaps one of David's biggest achievements in the development of Flyball in Tasmania has been the organising the funding for building and kitting out the indoor facility at Pontville which came into operation in March 2024.

David joined the AFA National Committee in 2018 as the Regional Representative for Tasmania and continues to serve in that role. Aside from his work on ad hoc subcommittees, his involvement in the permanent sub-committees includes the last four years as chair of the Rules sub-committee where he has played a major role in preparing and reviewing Rules and Polices.

As Chair of the Constitution sub-committee, David carried out a review and redraft of the AFA Constitution that was passed in 2019. During 2022 - 2024 he has overseen a further review and redraft of the Constitution to ensure that the document is consistent with the current legislation and to introduce innovations such as revised voting methods for the AGM. These revisions were recently voted on and accepted at a Special General Meeting.

Previously David has been a member of both the AFA Dog Incident and the AFA Development sub-Committees and served on the AFA Organising Committee for the 2023 National Championships.

David has committed to his personal development and involvement in Flyball and is now a registered steward, timekeeper, AFA Representative for race meetings and a Level 2 Judge.

In our view, David has shown outstanding service to the Australian Flyball Association over a significant period of time, and we propose that his record of involvement with the AFA National Committee and achievements promoting Flyball within Tasmania make him an exceptional candidate and that he be accepted for a life membership of the Australian Flyball Association.

Guidance criteria

Life Membership should not be considered as a competitive matter and nominees should be considered individually and on their personal attributes and achievements and not in comparison to others. It is expected that any nominee however will have made a significant or exceptional contribution to the development and operation of the Association over an extended period of time.

Whilst it is not possible to provide a definitive listing of services to the Association seen as exceptional or significant, they might include service on Committee, service at events – such as Timekeeping or Judging or services clearly seen as significant in promoting, advancing and marketing the sport of flyball.

Whilst services at an individual Club level can be included as evidence of contribution to the development of the sport of flyball they do not on their own meet the criteria as contributions to the Association. Combinations of Association and Club level involvement are essential parts of an overall significant contribution.

All nominees will be expected to have demonstrated attitude and demeanor that reflects dedication to the values of the Association, including good sportsmanship.

As a guide it would be expected that the members contribution would have been made over an extended period of at least 10 years.



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