



MOUNTAIN BIKE AUSTRALIA

Mountain Bike Australia Limited

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Life Membership Policy

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MTBA Board

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1. Introduction

MTBA is empowered to have Life Members under Article 5.3 of the MTBA Constitution.

MTBA Life Membership is the highest honour that can be bestowed by MTBA for longstanding and valued service to Mountain Biking in Australia.

Any Member may forward a proposed nomination to the Directors for its consideration. Directors may choose to seek comment from the MTBA Nominations Committee before endorsing it for further consideration.

On nomination by the Directors, any individual may be elected as an MTBA Life Member by Special Resolution at any MTBA Annual General Meeting, subject to that individual agreeing to be nominated.

Nominations for Life Membership shall include a written report outlining the history of services of any nominee, together with comments on the suitability of the honour.

A person may be posthumously recognised as an MTBA Life Member. Life membership remains valid for a person after death. Life membership cannot be transferred to another family member or benefactor on the death of a life member.

2. Categories of life membership

There is only one category of Life Membership of Mountain Bike Australia, titled as an “MTBA Life Member”.

3. Criteria for life membership

MTBA Life Membership is bestowed on an individual for long and valued service to MTBA or to the sport of mountain biking in Australia.

Athletes

Athletes would normally be expected to have been an Olympic medallist, World Champion or a World Cup winner in the Elite Category of their discipline or to have achieved high-level results over an extended period of time.

Athletes would normally not be nominated for MTBA Life Membership until 1 year after they retire from Elite level competition in the discipline for which they are being considered.

Non-Athletes

Nominees would be expected to have contributed to the sport of mountain biking over a long and sustained period of service and may include coaches, trail advocates, staff and administrators.

Non-Athletes would normally not be nominated for MTBA Life Membership until 1 year after they have stepped down from the position(s) from which their service has generated the nomination.

4. Privileges and benefits of life membership

MTBA Life Members are not required to pay annual membership fees of Mountain Bike Australia. Their benefit is considered to be that of the highest level of membership at any given time. If Life Members wish to race in events, which require Cycling Australia or UCI licences, they are required to purchase those licences.

MTBA Life Members are entitled to receive notice, attend (at their own expense) and vote at MTBA General Meetings.

MTBA Life Members are named in the MTBA Annual Report and are recorded on a display board at the MTBA Offices.

5. Automatic forfeiture of MTBA life membership

An MTBA Life Member automatically forfeits their Life Membership if they:

- Are found guilty of, or confess to, the use or supply of any Prohibited Substance or a Prohibited Method (within the definition of these terms in the World Anti-Doping Code 2009 and which shall include mechanical doping), or
- Have engaged in any conduct which would constitute a breach of the World Anti-Doping Code as in force at all relevant times, or
- Been convicted of any crime.

6. Reviews

The MTBA Board will review this policy as required to ensure that it remains consistent with the boards objectives and responsibilities. The Board approves or further reviews the charter.

7. Attachments:

MTBA Life Member nomination form can be found on the MTBA website. www.mtba.asn.au

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