

## Process for conferral of Honorary Lifetime Membership of the Irish Amateur Archery Association

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The option to confer an honorary lifetime membership upon one of its members is to allow the association an avenue to recognise specifically outstanding commitment of an individual to the development of the IAAA. The list of those members is kept as a low percentage of the overall membership in order to ensure that such conferrals represent truly exceptional service to both the association and the members themselves. As such, there are specific criteria that should be considered when nominating a member for such a high honour.

1. The nominee must be a current member of the IAAA
2. It is advised that the nominee should have a minimum of 5 years membership of the IAAA. These years need not necessarily be served consecutively.
3. Due to nominees being considered by the National Executive Committee (NEC) before being passed to the membership, it would not be appropriate that a member of the NEC be nominated while in term.
4. A maximum of TWO honorary lifetime members per calendar year may be brought to the membership for approval by through voting at an AGM or EGM
5. Process of nomination
  - a. The club wishing to nominate an individual must fill out the form available on the IAAA website
  - b. The nomination must be seconded by two further clubs, one of which must be from a province outside that of the nominee – this is to acknowledge that the activities of the nominee have had positive effect throughout the country
  - c. A short summary (approx 300 words) of the achievements of the nominee, specifically as they pertain to the national advancement of archery, must be included. It is this section that will carry the highest weight in bringing the name of the nominee to the membership for voting.
  - d. The completed form is submitted to the IAAA secretary a minimum of 4 weeks prior to an AGM or EGM. In the four weeks prior to such a meeting of the membership, the secretary will bring forward all nominations to the NEC for consideration, and to select a maximum of two to be brought to the membership for voting.

### Notes:

- In the interest of fair consideration, nominating and seconding clubs should not discuss the nomination with the general membership of the association until the agenda for the AGM or EGM is published with the names of the nominees.
- We as an association acknowledge the supreme effort and work carried out by individuals in all the various clubs in the IAAA - such dedication should be rewarded and applauded. When considering an individual for an honorary lifetime membership of the association, we would advise clubs to carefully consider whether the great work of the individual had an effect over the association as a whole, or mostly within the club of the nominee. If the effect has greatly benefited the national or provincial cause of archery in Ireland then the individual should be nominate for an honorary IAAA lifetime membership. If the effect has had the greatest impact on the club(s) of the individual then the clubs should honour the individual with an honorary membership of the specific club(s).