

## CRITERIA FOR LIFE MEMBER NOMINATION

With the advent of incorporation and of professionalism much has changed in the landscape of the Randwick DRUFC. Within this new environment the Life Members Association, chaired by Peter Court, has wrestled with one particular dilemma, among others, and that was with the processes and criteria involved in the annual consideration of nominations for the award of Life Member, the Club's highest honour.

With input from the Life Members Awards Subcommittee, under the successive chairmanships of Terry Reid and Jeff Sayle, the Association believed that it achieved its goals in amending By-law 6 of the Club Constitution so as to deliver, in particular, criteria that were *comprehensively* comprehensive and significantly more relevant to today's rugby environment. The Randwick Rugby Council shared the LMA view and all of the amendments were approved and adopted.

Just as changes in the Laws of Rugby impact on the way we subsequently play the game, changes in by-laws require an appropriate response. It is pointless to argue, for example, that a Life Member should be a former player. This is simply not a criterion under the provisions of the amended By-law 6. It never was! Besides, this view is not supported by the facts. In the period 1931-2012 the Club has elected 51 LMs. 14 of them never played for Randwick.

The Amended By-law 6 has been placed on our Rugby website in order to share its contents with the wider Club membership.

### AMENDED BY-LAW 6