Mandurah Masters Swimming Life Member Nominations

Our Rules of Association state that Honorary Life Membership can be bestowed to a member or ex member who has made an outstanding contribution to the club. This is defined as activities that greatly exceed normal expectations or perceived as being significant.

This year the committee received two nominations for Honorary Life Membership.

Pauline Wingate and Ivan Wingate.

First... Pauline

Pauline served on our committee for 13 years straight in the positions of Treasurer for two years and Recorder/Registrar for 11 years during which time the job description became so much more complex.

Pauline was an official at all our interclub pool events since joining the club in 2004. She spent many hours coordinating the registration side of the events.

Pauline was a major official at our Open Water Swims from 2004 through to 2018 by coordinating the Registration side of the event and the timing before it went electronic.

As registrar, Pauline always went out of her way to befriend and help new members, taking them under her wing until they found their feet within the club".

Has always been involved in club social activities by being an enthusiastic participant in, or assisting in the organising of. (who can forget her contribution to the 25th Anniversary or the Doddi's Dash Fashion Parades).

Pauline has represented our club with distinction at competitive interclub meets from the international, National and state interclub meets. She has set many records and still continues to strive to improve her swimming.

Has won the Kathy McLeod Award Best Club Person Award twice and is a dedicated and much-admired role model for our club.

I think you will agree this is only a snapshot of what Pauline has achieved

The committee has endorsed the nomination and now I ask that the members here tonight endorse Pauline Wingate to become an Honour Life Member.

Now to Ivan... no particular order Ivan, just ladies first...

Ivan was elected National President of AUSSI in 1985 and since then has held positions at an International and National level. He has been presented with many awards for his services to Masters and FINA swimming including being awarded National Life Membership of Masters Swimming Australia.

Ivan has an equally impressive swimming record at club, national and International level.

Since joining the club in 2002 Ivan has spent twelve years on the committee as Coach, Assistant Coach and more recently Club Photographer.

Ivan was a major driving force in the setting up of our first Canal Swim in 2004 and either officiated or volunteered at the subsequent open water swims until 2018.

He has also been an official or valuable volunteer at our club pool swims since 2002

Ivan has always been an enthusiastic participant in and has assisted at all club social events.

He has represented our club with distinction at interclub, national and international meets both in pool and open water swimming events.

On many occasions Ivan has been the go-to person for clarification and advice on topics such as constitutions, rules, swim meets, how to swim....

He has won the Kathy McLeod Award twice and is seen as the Statesman of our club, always ready to share his knowledge and much admired by all.

The committee has endorsed the nomination and now I ask that the members here tonight endorse Ivan Wingate to become an Honorary Life Member.