

Honourary Life Member Award & Nomination Form

Honourary Life Member status is a great honour that recognizes and celebrates the outstanding contribution of a member of The Etobicoke Camera Club which contributes to the betterment of the Club for all members. It is a special recognition for a member's continual, longstanding, and selfless willingness to contribute to the growth, operation, and enjoyment of the Club.

Being granted Honourary Life Member status is considered the highest of club honours and should not be treated lightly, given out easily or freely.

Care must be taken to ensure that only the most deserving are recommended for Life Membership. The Nominators should consider what the Nominee has accomplished to be set apart from others and how their service is considered to be above and beyond that which might be expected of any other committed member. Honourary Life Membership is reserved for those whose contribution goes beyond the ordinary or even the excellent for an extended period of time.

To be considered, the nominee must be a member whose contributions have been significant, visible and of enduring benefit to the majority of club members.

Benefits of Honourary Life Membership (HLM)

Honourary Life Members:

- will enjoy all of the same rights and privileges of any other member;
- will not be required to pay annual membership dues;
- when able, and while still actively participating in the club, are requested to submit their annual membership application online; however
- if a HLM is no longer active in the club or is unable to do so, the Membership Director will submit the online application form on their behalf and ensure that the HLM is identified on all membership documents as a current member of the Club.

Preparing for a Nomination

Members making a nomination to the Board, and the Board in its deliberations will consider:

1. Length of Membership: the nominee shall have been a member in good standing for a minimum of 12 years.
2. Membership Status: the nominee should be a current member of the club. If not a current member, their membership shall not have lapsed for more than one year.
3. Significant Contribution: the nominee must have made significant contributions to the operation of the Club over the majority of those years. For example, through a combination of:



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- Serving a minimum of six years as a Director;
 - Serving a minimum of eight years as a Committee Chair
 - Performing a substantial service or contribution such as coordinating special club projects or events.
 - Providing leadership and guidance to the club above that which would be normally expected of a member, committee member, Director or Officer.
 - Providing significant contributions that were visible and of enduring benefit to the club.
4. Other ECC Awards: Prior to submitting a nomination, the nominators should consider whether appropriate recognition could be better achieved through another of ECC's awards.

NOTE: The fact that the Nominee has held many or all of the normal offices of the Board and/or committees and has fulfilled those offices well and faithfully is not in itself sufficient to warrant a recommendation as an Honourary Life Member. It is expected that those who accept positions on the Board or on committees of the Club will put as much of themselves into the task as their day-to-day activities will allow. It is the sum of a member's contribution that counts.

A nominee must be recommended to the Board by at least ten (10) members in good standing. No more than three of the nominators can be current Board members. The recommendation must include a written submission addressing in appropriate detail, how the nominee satisfied the criteria.

All nominations are to be kept confidential and to be known only by the nominators and the Board. All decisions of the Board are to be final and no reasons for or against the decision of the board will be provided.

A decision to approve a nomination for Honourary Life Membership will be made by the Board and require approval through a unanimous vote of all Board members present and voting.

Prior to approving the nomination, the Board should consider whether the nominee should be considered for other club awards prior to consideration for Honourary Life Membership award.

Recognition and presentation of award recipients will usually be made at the Annual General Meeting, but may, in exceptional circumstances be conducted at such other times and locations as deemed necessary by the Board.

When recommending a member for nomination as an Honourary Life Member, the Honourary Life Member Nomination Form shall be used.



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Pursuant to the Policies and Procedures of the Etobicoke Camera Club, the following member is being nominated for consideration for the Honourary Life Member Award.

Name of Nominee: _____

Nominee has been a member of ECC from the year: _____

Has the nominee served on the Board of ECC? YES ☐ NO _____

If yes, how many term/years did they serve? _____

Has the nominee maintained an active membership in ECC for a period of 5 consecutive years preceding this nomination?

☐ YES ☐ NO If no, why not? _____

On a separate page(s), provide detailed information of the following:

- In the words of the nominators, describe the nominee's suitability for Honourary Life Membership pursuant to the criteria.
- List Board positions that the nominee has held including the respective start and end dates.
- List special projects or events that the nominee has been involved in including start and end dates. Indicate if nominee was a chair or committee member.

Are there any supporting documents or attachments to this nomination?

☐ NO ☐ YES, please list

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The following ten (10) members, submit this nominee to the Board of ECC for consideration of an Honourary Life Member Award.			
	Nominating Member Name	Date	Signature
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Submitted to the Board on the _____ day of _____, 20_____

After careful consideration and review, the Board of the Etobicoke Camera Club has

☐ Approved this nominee ☐ Not approved this nominee

Dated the _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Name of Club President (print)

Signature

Name of Club Secretary (print)

Signature

If approved, the nominee was presented with Honourary Life Membership on:

_____ day of _____, 20_____.