

# ROOTES GROUP CAR CLUB (Inc.)

Registered No. A14412X

## Club By-Laws pertaining to Life Membership

This document explains the rights of a Life Member, and the method by which Life Membership is awarded.

These by-laws are to be read in conjunction with the Rootes Group Car Club constitution and rules.

*A “Life Member” is a Member (as defined by the Rules) who is not required to pay an annual subscription.*

### **Awarding of Life Membership**

To be eligible for Life Membership, a member has to have been a continuous member of the club for at least 5 years.

A nomination for Life Membership can be proposed by any club member, except for the member themselves, or the member’s spouse / partner.

The committee will determine whether a member will be awarded Life Membership status. The committee may choose to consult other members when making the decision, however the award of Life Membership shall NOT be determined by a poll of members.

When considering a member for Life Membership, the committee shall consider the following criteria, however it is not essential that any or all of these criteria are met – they are provided as guidance only:

- The member has been on the committee for a significant period of time
- The member has shown initiative and enthusiasm ‘beyond the call’ in the promotion of the club
- The member has shown initiative and enthusiasm ‘beyond the call’ in the assistance of other club members
- The member has shown initiative and enthusiasm ‘beyond the call’ in the assistance of the organisation of club events.
- The member has attended a significant number of events organised by the club.

Life Membership cannot be awarded posthumously.

Life Membership can be rescinded by the club, if:

- The Life Member commits a serious breach of the club rules
- The Life Member’s conduct in unbecoming to the principles of the club

A member can choose to no longer be a Life Member. If a member decides they no longer want to be a Life Member, they cannot be reappointed as a Life Membership in the future.

### **Administration**

The membership structure of the RGCC allows for two members to have the same membership number. The committee may choose to waive the annual subscription of the ‘second’ member who shares the Life Membership (e.g. the life members’ spouse).

Life Membership is not transferrable.

As required by the rules, a Life Member must respond (in writing) to the Secretary that they wish to continue to be a member, if asked to do so.

If a Life Member passes away, the committee may choose to waive the membership fees of a surviving spouse or partner.