

# Perpetual Award Policy



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This policy is to be read in conjunction with the By Laws and Constitution of Springwood United Football Inc.

## **Objective**

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that the awarding of perpetual trophies is conducted in a fair and impartial manner and that there are clear guidelines outlining the process from end to end.

## **Perpetual Ethos**

SUFC has been awarding perpetual awards for many years and is a club tradition. Perpetual Awards are to carry a level of prestige. Over time the perpetual trophies may evolve, however, the intent is that a perpetual award recipient is to be a person that possesses exceptional skills and has a willingness to work hard and improve, whether for an on field perpetual or a perpetual awarded for volunteering services to the club and its members.

## **Sub-Committee**

A Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee may be formed to manage the process of Perpetual Awards each season.

For the purpose of this policy the term "Perpetual Award Sub-Committee" or any abbreviation of this term is defined as the persons who are responsible for the management of the Perpetual Award process as per below.

1. Setting the list of Perpetual Awards to be released for nomination.
2. Setting the nomination timelines.
3. Distributing the nomination forms.
4. Collating the submitted nominations.
5. Determining the assessment criteria for individual player Perpetual Awards.
6. Assessing the recipients of each Perpetual Award
7. Finalising the proposed list of recipients for each Perpetual Award
8. Presenting the list of proposed recipients to the Management Committee for endorsement.

The appointment of the Perpetual Award Sub-Committee will consist of 3 or more people on the sub-committee. These people will generally be the Football Manager, Competition Secretary and Coaching Coordinator. The relevant Football Committee members for particular age or playing

groups from within the club may be called upon to assist or join the Perpetual Award Sub-Committee, such as the SSF Coordinator, Male and Female Junior and Senior Players Coordinators.

To be eligible to be a member of the Perpetual Award Sub-Committee the member must be a -

- member of the Football Committee; or
- a Coach, Manager, Age Coordinator or Life Member invited onto the Appointment Sub-Committee by the Football Manager, Competition Secretary or Coaching Coordinator; or
- a person that has held a position on the Football Committee or Management Committee (or any of its previously known titles) within the past 3 years and is invited onto the Sub-Committee by the Football Manager, Competition Secretary or Coaching Coordinator; or
- a member of the Management Committee.

Perpetual Sub-Committee members should maintain the highest level of integrity and are advised to exercise restraint in any of the assessments or votes of a perpetual award if they have an immediate family member nominated for that award.

Appointments of Perpetual Awards related to playing and/or coaching football are to be endorsed by the Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee with recommendations to be submitted to the Management Committee for final approval.

Appointments of Perpetual Awards in relation to activities outside of playing or for a combination of multiple efforts on and off the field such as Junior Clubman, Senior Clubman and Volunteer of the Year can be recommended by the Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee or Football Committee, with the Management Committee assessing and making the final decision on these awards.

### **Guidelines**

Each season a list of Perpetual Awards being offered will be circulated to Coaches, Managers, Age Coordinators and Committee Members for the purpose of nominations for recipients of such awards.

- Nominations must be received by the closing date set by the Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee; late nominations may not be accepted.
- All nominations must be submitted in writing on the prescribed form.
- No verbal nominations will be accepted.
- Coaches and Managers may submit only 1 player nomination per respective award to which players in their team are eligible.
- Persons submitting a nomination are encouraged to submit a covering letter of substantiation to support their nomination.
- The Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee may seek input or opinions from Coaches, Managers, Age Coordinators or other Committee Members to assist in assessing a nominee of a Perpetual Award.
- Perpetual Awards, at times may not be awarded if the Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee, Football Committee or Management Committee believes that there is not a suitable and valid recipient.
- Details of recipients will not be made available to Coaches/Managers for the benefit of nominating annual team presentation awards.
- The Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee have the discretion to nominate a suitable player for an award if that player has not been nominated by their Coach, Manager or Age Coordinator.
- Coaches should be consulted if any nominations are received for one of their players by someone other than the coach in the event there is an issue unbeknown to the sub-

committee, such as discipline, training/match attendance, timeliness etc. regarding the player.

- A player's disciplinary record may be used to assist in determining suitability to be a recipient of a Perpetual Award, e.g. Red and Yellow Cards may deem a player ineligible to be the recipient of the award. This will be at the discretion of the Perpetual Awards Sub-Committee.
- In the event that a team based or 'highest placed' Perpetual Award has more than 1 team or Coach as an eligible recipient then the below criteria will be used to determine the recipient of the award with the order of merit commencing at point 1 down to 12 until a recipient is determined.
  1. Team placed in the highest division in each relevant age group. E.g. AA Mens (inc Prens), AA Ladies, U21 or equivalent competition, O35, O45 and junior competition age groups.
  2. Highest 'win ratio' to games played in regular competition season.
  3. Lowest 'loss ratio' to games played in regular competition season.
  4. Highest 'goals for' average per game in regular competition season.
  5. Lowest 'goals against' average per game in regular competition season.
  6. Highest placed team in the Finals Series.
  7. Highest 'win ratio' to games played in the Finals Series.
  8. Lowest 'loss ratio' to games played in the Finals Series.
  9. Highest 'goals for' average per game in the Finals Series.
  10. Lowest 'goals against' average per game in the Finals Series.
  11. Lowest yellow card average per games played in both regular competition and Finals Series.
  12. Lowest red card average per games played in both regular competition and Finals Series.

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