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To: All Members

Cc: Club Presidents Club Secretaries

From: Darren McLeod – Chair, Honours and Award Committee

Date: 13 February 2019

Subject: Valuing Volunteers Evening 2019 – Recognition Award Nominations

Action: Nominate club members for recognition awards by Friday, 26 April 2019
Save the Date for the Valuing Volunteers Evening on Friday, 24 May 2019

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Lifesaving Operations on 03 9676 6930 or email lifesavingoperations@lsv.com.au
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Life Saving Victoria (LSV) is seeking recognition award nominations for the 2019 Valuing Volunteers Evening (VVE). LSV is also asking for members to save the date for the VVE. Being held during National Volunteer Week, the evening will recognise the volunteer contributions of Life Saving Victoria's members across the 2018/19 season and members ongoing service to lifesaving.

Event Details

Date: Friday, 24 May 2019
Time: Doors open 6PM
Formalities commence at 7PM

Location: Lifeguards@200
200 The Boulevard, Port Melbourne VIC 3207

Dress: Cocktail Attire

Tickets: Tickets available in the last week of March (an allocation will be reserved for award recipients)

Information about the event and recognition award nomination process can be found below.

For any further enquiries please contact your club's VSO on 9676 6930 or email lifesavingoperations@lsv.com.au.

Invitations

Members who have been nominated for a recognition award will receive an invitation via email prior to tickets closing. Club Presidents will be informed of their members who are nominated to receive a recognition award.

Once those members who have been nominated for an award have had an opportunity to advise if they will be attending, and there are additional tickets available, a further invitation will be sent to other members who may like to attend the evening.



Recognition Award Nomination Summary

Life Saving Victoria recognises the invaluable contribution of our members who have volunteered their time in lifesaving. The Valuing Volunteers Evening is a night to showcase these contributions.

Please see the extracted pages below from the [LSV Member Recognition Manual for Recognition Award Guidelines](#).

All nominations due on **Friday, 26 April 2019**

Summary		
Award	Club Action	LSV Action
Club Service Recognition Awards	Clubs are required to nominate their members by either of the following methods <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online Nomination Form (up to 5 people at time)• Nomination Excel Template (more than 5 people at a time) and email to lifesavingoperations@lsv.com.au	LSV to confirm lists with Club President or Club President's Delegate prior to inviting members to the VVE.
100+ Hours Patrol and Water Safety Recognition Awards	Clubs will need to ensure patrol logs for the 2018/19 are entered into Surfguard by Friday, 26 April 2019 <i>This is a requirement as per Group C of the Administration Grant.</i>	LSV to nominate and invite members based on their patrol hours as listed in Surfguard periodically.
State Service Recognition Awards (5, 10, 15+ years of service)	No action required from clubs.	LSV Councils to nominate members for the following categories <ul style="list-style-type: none">• State Officers Service Recognition• State Committee/Panel Members Service Recognition• Council Appointed Volunteers



Valuing Volunteers Evening – Award Recognition Guidelines

The Valuing Volunteers Evening facilitates the recognition of service given by the members of our affiliated lifesaving clubs.

Recognition Awards

The categories of recognition are listed below

- Club Service
- 100+ Hours of Volunteer Service (Patrol and Water Safety)
- State Service

The award qualification period is from 1 July to end of the patrol season annually.

Essential Criteria

- financial member/s of an affiliated lifesaving club
- employee/s of Australian Lifeguard Service of a lifesaving service
- Must be a LSV member of good standing

Club Service Award

This award is to acknowledge the volunteer contributions of a member/s whose service to the club is deemed to be sustained and distinguished during the qualification period.

Nomination Information

Nominations can be submitted for club service in any category e.g:

Patrolling	Coaching	Officials	Training	Assessment
Nippers	Media/Publicity	Competition	General Service	Committee/Board

- Nominations will be called for annually
- LSV members will be notified via Club Mail, Circular, Social Media and advertised on the LSV website
- Nominations can be submitted by Club Committee, an individual member of the club or a member of LSV
- All nominations must be endorsed by the Club Committee
- Nominations can only be submitted electronically using the online nomination form
- Nominations received after the closing date will not be considered
- LSV Staff members may seek clarification from across LSV to verify all or some of the statement/s claims contained in the nomination.



100 + Hours of Volunteer Service (Patrol and Water Safety)

Life Saving Victoria (LSV) will recognise the patrol service of club members who have contributed 100+ hours of volunteer patrol or water safety service.

Award Conditions

Service Hours will be recognised in the following categories

- **Gold Certificate**
Awarded to the top 20% across the state who have achieved 100+ patrol or water safety hours
- **Silver Certificate**
Awarded to the next 30% across the state who have achieved 100+ patrol or water safety hours
- **Bronze Certificate**
Awarded to the next 50% across the state who have achieved 100+ patrol or water safety hours

LSV staff members will obtain the required information on achieved patrol or water safety hours as per listings on Surfguard at the end of the current patrol season.

State Service

LSV will recognise those volunteers who have rendered distinguished and sustained service in the positions as elected or appointed LSV Officers at state level.

Award Conditions

State Officer/s service at State level will be considered for recognition over periods of 5/10/15+ years

Recognition Categories

- **State Officers**
Members who have held position/s as a State Officer on LSV Councils (Life Saving Operations, Aquatic Sports, Membership & Leadership Development, Council of Lifesaving Clubs, Community Education and Industry Engagement).
- **State Committee/Panel Member**
Members who have held position/s as a Committee/Panel member under the auspice of the LSV Board or LSV Council (as listed above).
- **Council Appointed Volunteers**
Volunteers who have been appointed to State positions/s e.g. State Coach/Manager/Program Leaders/Officials under the auspice of LSV Council/s

