



Incorporated No. A0021659A

Life Membership – David Collins

❖ awarded 31 July, 2022 ❖



very so often it is the privilege of the President and the Committee to pay a tribute to someone who has made a special, lasting and memorable contribution to the Mazda MX-5 Club of Victoria & Tasmania.

It is with pleasure that the commitment of **David Collins** is recognised as the Club's 20th Honorary Life Member.

David has been a member of the Club since October 2010 and joined the Committee in 2011.

In his time on the Committee, he has held multiple roles, executed with extraordinary diligence and precision.

These have included:

2012-2013: Club Captain Social

2013-2019: Treasurer

2016: NatMeet XII Committee Chairman

2019-2022: Points Officer

David has participated in many Club runs. He was named Club Champion in 2012-2013, and won the *Jinba Ittai* Award in 2015-2016.

As Treasurer, David was adaptive, streamlining the presentation of the accounts to make them more accessible for Committee reading. In addition, he incorporated the Club's asset register into the Club bookkeeping system.

As the 2016 NatMeet Committee Chairman, he led other Committee members to create an extraordinary NatMeet in Tasmania, introducing other State and national members to the beautiful regions of Tasmania and achieving closer affiliation with our Tasmanian Chapters.

On taking on the role of Points Officer, he worked with Club Secretary Bruce Gray to streamline the points system by linking the points to the QR registration.

David's ongoing contribution demonstrates "exceptional service to the Club for at least seven years", thus qualifying him for Life Membership. Undoubtedly, his contribution has been dedicated, and his influence on the Club has been positive. As a result, David is a worthy recipient of Life Membership with the Club.

David was awarded the Club's Service Star in 2021, and his commitment to the Club over the past 10 years has been exceptional, and he is a worthy recipient of Life Membership with the Club.

*T*he conferring of Life Membership of this Club is not done lightly. It has gone to only 19 other people in our 32-year history.

Club guidelines state that Honorary Life Membership is only offered to individuals with at least 10 years of Club membership and is awarded for long-term service to the Club. A nominee must have given exceptional service to the Club, by applying extraordinary expertise, dedication and positive influence.

It is a significant award and may only be conferred on a Club member at the absolute discretion of the Committee. It also requires a unanimous vote of the Committee in favour before it can be conferred

*S*o, today, it is with great pleasure that I invite David to accept this award of
Life Membership of the Mazda MX-5 Club of Victoria & Tasmania.

Peter Dannock, President