

I am nominating Paul Wines for Life Membership of Ryde Eastwood Hawks Touch Football Association.

Paul has been involved for over 35 years with the Ryde Eastwood club.

- He has been playing in the local competition since 1986
- He represented Ryde Eastwood as a player at Vawdon Cups and State Cups from 1991 to 2014
- He has coached both senior and junior teams for many years
- He is one of the few people who has made a State team while representing Ryde Eastwood
- Named in the Ryde Eastwood team of the 40 years in 2016
- He has been Secretary of the club since 2013

In his time as Secretary, he has

- Instigated the creation of a constitution to ensure legal compliance
- overseen the club's transformation from a club struggling to meet its financial commitments to a club that is prospering financially.
- Got a women's competition back up and running, which was one of the very few women's competitions running across the country.
- Introduced the winter competition to encourage players to stay loyal to the club during the off-season and enable rep players to stay in form and qualify for representative teams
- Has been the catalyst to have all representative players, play in the local competition improving the standard of the competition, help with comradery and develop future representative players.
- Introduced the junior development program which has now grown to be a significant point of difference between Ryde Eastwood and other clubs
- Developed and maintained the club's website
- Set up and maintained the Club's Facebook page
- organised the draws for all competitions including manipulation for most if not all special requests for time or clashes
- enabled players who wanted to play in both mixed and single sex competitions to do so by designing the draw to allow for this in the vast majority of occasions
- worked to improve the integrity of the competition in terms of player registration
- Maintained the club's database of players and match results
- Found teams for the vast majority of individual senior players looking to join the competition
- In his early years as Secretary looked after the representative program
- Worked with our partners such as NSW Touch and Ryde City Council to improve our standing with these organisations so that we can get the best outcomes when dealing with them.
- Helped bring people onto the Board who have had a diverse range of skills that have improved the performance of the Board.
- Worked alongside Andrew Goggin in a way that achieves the best results for the club.

All these things take time and I have watched as he has spent countless hours working at the dining room table at all hours of the day for the betterment of the club.

I take great pleasure in nominating Paul for Life Membership.

Nicola Wines

Seconded by Bill Calleja