



## APPVA Internal Awards System.

### **Introduction.**

1. The APPVA has grown to a level where we are now developed to a National level, and is viewed by the highest Government contacts in Police; Veterans' Affairs and Defence as a credible and relevant Current and Ex-service Organisation.
2. This growth has been from the dedication and enthusiasm from a number of individuals, volunteering their time and money to maintain the growth and development of the organisation.
3. It is with these individuals that it is necessary to recognise this service and not be taken for granted. The APPVA prides itself on the work of its volunteers and supporters, who have worked long hours, whilst maintaining their family lives and seeking to find a balance of both.

### **Aim.**

4. The APPVA Internal Awards System is to recognise the sacrifice, diligent work and honour of selected individuals which will be decided by the APPVA National Executive.

### **General.**

5. It is essential that the association looks at various methods of recognition for diligent service and to those who have a close relationship with the APPVA. There are the partners and families of those who have been killed whilst on duty on Operations, along with those who have lost their partner who were members of the APPVA.
6. There are four levels of recognition are considered:
  - a. **Life Membership.** This Membership is deemed as the prestigious membership level of award in the APPVA. It will be for recognition of an individual member (Full or Affiliate), who has provided diligent service on any given Committee of the APPVA, for an aggregate period of

10 years, and is of the opinion of the National Executive Committee to be worthy of such recognition.

- b. **Honorary Membership.** This membership is to be in three criteria:
  - (i) dedicated to the Partners and children of those ADF or Australian Federal Police (AFP - International Deployment Group (IDG)), who have died whilst on operations for International Peace and Security, whilst serving on Operations
  - (ii) dedicated to the Partners and children of those ADF or AFP who have died whilst Full Members of the APPVA; and
  - (iii) Another individual that is deemed by the APPVA National Executive Committee as providing outstanding service to the APPVA, who are not members.
- c. **National President's Award.** A Meritorious Service Award for diligent service for over 2 years to a member of a given APPVA Committee.
- d. **National Executive Certificate of Appreciation.** An award to recognise a person who has provided meritorious service in a 12 month period.

#### **Administration of Awards.**

- 7. The administration of these awards will be the responsibility of the National Secretary, in consultation with the Nominator and the relevant Committee, for presentation annually at the APPVA National Executive Committee AGM.
- 8. Each certificate is to be numbered and placed on a Register of Awards, which is to be maintained and held by the National Secretary.
- 9. The Certificate paper is to be of quality paper and presented to the recipient, if practicable, in a frame by the National President at an appropriate ceremony at the APPVA National Executive Committee AGM.
- 10. If, in the event of discipline or of any action that may be prejudice against the APPVA, the recipient may have the award revoked by a simple vote by the National Executive Committee.
- 11. For Life Members, the respective Membership Database of the Branch of which the recipient is administered, is to be annotated as "Life." Therefore, the recipient will never be expected to pay for Membership Subscription from the date of the award onward. The recipient is to receive all benefits, (magazines, etc), of financial members.

12. The Awards will be revoked, if in the case of severe disciplinary matters and if the recipient brings the APPVA into disrepute. This will be decided at the National Executive Committee in the event the recipient's actions come to light.

**Attachments:**

1. Nomination Procedures for APPVA Awards System.
2. Nomination Form.
3. Templates of Certificates (TBI).
2. Template of Awards Register (TBI).