

# **Special Resolution - Life Membership**

Triathlon Western Australia Annual General Meeting - 21 October 2023

## 1 Life Membership Resolution

To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the following resolutions to elect David Budge and Vicki Delves as Life Members of Triathlon Western Australia:

- 1.1 "That David Budge is elected as a Life Member of Triathlon Western Australia in recognition of his distinguished and innovative service to the sport."
- 1.2 "That Vicki Delves is elected as a Life Member of Triathlon Western Australia in recognition of her distinguished and innovative service to the sport."

### 2 Explanatory Notes

Constitutionally and as per policy, Triathlon WA has the ability to award two life members annually, to members with a minimum 10-year service who have offered distinguished service, leadership, innovation, support, enhanced the sport and upheld the values of Triathlon WA.

As per the Life Member Policy (March 2022), there was an open call for Life Member nominations throughout the Triathlon Western Australia community. Subsequently, a panel was formed to review Life Membership nominations. The panel met and provided recommendations to the Board.

The Triathlon WA Board resolved to recommend David Budge and Vicki Delves at the Board Meeting held in August 2023.

The current Life Membership resolutions will be passed at the 2023 Annual General Meeting if at least a majority of three quarters of the members present and entitled to vote (in person or by proxy), cast their vote in favour of the resolutions.

Members entitled to vote include each Individual Member and Life Member over the age of 18 years at the time of the General Meeting will have one vote at that General Meeting.



#### **David Budge**

For over 20 years Dave has led innovations and grown triathlon in Western Australia to what it currently is today. He's provided quality and inclusive events for every type of person wanting to participate in triathlon and been Race Director for over 200 Triathlons in Western Australia, including over 50 State, National and World Championship events.

Dave managed the first multisport event in the summers of 1991-92, the Coca Cola Aquathlon Series. It was a 3 race aquathlon series held at Scarborough Beach. The races were pitched as a battle of the codes between surf lifesavers and triathletes.

In 2001 he was part of a group from Triathlon WA who pitched a triathlon event to the Geographe Tourism Association to be hosted in Busselton. This was the beginning of a long relationship between the sport of Triathlon and the City of Busselton. Dave played a significant role in managing the event for two decades including Race Directing the event from 2008 to 2021. At its peak the event was one of the largest Half Ironman races in the world, with over 3,000 participants racing as an individual or as part of a team. The "Busso Half" had established itself as one of the iconic mass participation sporting events in WA.

#### Vicki Delves

Since becoming involved with triathlon, Vicki has tirelessly contributed to the sport. Her service record exceeds expectations demonstrated through her commitment to triathlon community both in terms of sustained involvement and participant focused engagement. Vicki's association with City Triathlon Club began as a foundation member in 1993, she has undertaken a number of roles such as head coach and coordinator of the club's TRYstars program for 15 years and more recently, club President (2021-23). This service that she has provided has also expanded to the wider triathlon community.

Vicki has also contributed to the continued development of women in triathlon. In 1997, Vicki created the Women's Triathlon Academy. This academy now in its 26th year has been an integral part of the WA triathlon landscape and provided a safe and inclusive environment for women of all ages and abilities to experience triathlon. Vicki also volunteered her time as a guest speaker for Triathlon WA's 'Women in Sport' initiatives and conducted women's only cycling sessions.

Vicki has also volunteered many hours to the triathlon community outside of her coaching activities; as a supporter and volunteer at the Weetbix triathlon; supporter, volunteer and participant of Women's Triathlon event; the lead escort rider for elite athletes at Busselton for 5 years; a marshal at the School Sport WA triathlon events and as a member of the School Sport WA board.