

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2017**

**AGENDA ITEM # 11 – ELECTION OF LIFE MEMBER**

In accordance with Section 5.2.5 of the Royal Life Saving Society Western Australia Inc (RLSSWA) Constitution, the Board of Directors recommends the RLSSWA membership accept the nomination of Mr Jeff Fondacaro for Life Membership.

**CITATION**

Jeff began his formal contribution to Royal Life Saving in 2006 joining the Board as a Director. Jeff has provided over 10 year's continuous service in this leadership role. He has:

- Lead the Society's engagement with the 130 x public pools throughout WA (which collectively have an annual patronage in excess of 10M),
- Provided expertise in the development of the Society's Guidelines for Safe Pool Operation and risk management services,
- Advocated for the inclusion of the Pool Lifeguard Award as the industry standard in public aquatic centres,
- Championed the implementation of the Watch Around Water – Parental Supervision Program,
- Directly contributed to the successful implementation of vocational training in safe pool operations,
- Maintained a strong network and collaborated with sport and recreation industry leaders (acknowledged via the John Graham Award at the 2014 Sport and Recreation Industry Awards),
- Assisted in the promotion of the Swim & Survive program to endorsed swim schools in public aquatic centres,
- In terms of impact – public swimming pool compliance to safety standards has increased over the last 10 years from 83% to 93%. The rate of injuries has decreased by over 25% and there has been no drowning in public pools over that period.

Prior and during his role on the Board Jeff has also been an active lifeguard and pool manager at the Beatty Park Aquatic Centre and he has also served as President of the Leisure Institute of Western Australia.