# BALMAIN TIGERS RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB

ABN 75 002 592 949

# **NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERS
Theatrette Room Zurich Centre (Wests Tigers Centre of Excellence)
Loftus Street Concord Oval NSW 2137

# Sunday 24th March 2024 at 10.00am

#### BUSINESS TO BE CONDUCTED AND THE ORDER THEREOF IS:

- 1. Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting of Members held 6 May 2023.
- 2. Correspondence
- 3. To lay before the meeting the reports referred to in section 317 of the Act in respect of the financial year ending October 2023 including:
  - a. the financial report of the Club;
  - b. the directors' report; and
  - c. the auditors' report on the financial report.
- 4. To consider and, if thought fit, pass a Life Member Resolution (set out below) conferring Life Membership on a member of the Club.
- 5. To consider and, if thought fit, pass a Special Resolution (set out below) amending the Constitution of the Club.
- 6. Election of Directors
- 7. General Business

#### **Notes to Members**

The meeting will be open to Financial and Life Members only and each Member will be required to produce their recently renewed Membership badge/keyring to gain admission.

Members are reminded that voting at the AGM is limited to Life Members and those financial Ordinary Members of the company of not less than thirty six (36) consecutive months membership of the company immediately prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.

# LIFE MEMBER RESOLUTION

That in accordance with Rule 26 of the Constitution, Mr Ray Geerie (Wimpy), having been a member of the General Committee of the Club since 1981 and being a member whom a majority of the members of the Board consider should, having regard to his service to Balmain Tigers, be eligible for election to Life Membership of the Club.

#### EXPLANATORY MESSAGE TO MEMBERS REGARDING THE LIFE MEMBER RESOLUTION

At a Board meeting of the Club held in January 2023, the board received a nomination for life membership for Ray Geerie (Wimpy).

Dr Leslie Glen proposed and Danny Stapleton Seconded, the nomination for Ray Geerie to be elected as a Life Member of the Club. The nomination was then presented to the Board of the Club.

The Board considered the nomination at the Board Meeting conducted in January 2023 and resolved to accept the recommendation and to put the Life Member Resolution set out above, to the members for consideration at the Annual General Meeting of the Club in March 2024.

Ray "Wimpy" Gerrie started his journey with the Balmain Tigers in 1981 as a statistician and over the years assisted the club by billeting players from around the country and overseas when they arrived to trial and play for the Tigers.

He also managed the Jersey Flegg winning sides coached by David Brooks and Steve Roach in 1993 and 1994 and is a Life Member of the Junior league since 2008.

However, most will know Ray for his running of "Wimpy's Well" which was situated beneath the Keith Barnes stand in the old dressing sheds that supplied food and drinks and a good time to the players and staff.

This nomination is in recognition of the contribution Ray Geerie has made to the Club and the community over the years.

The Board commends the Life Member Resolution to the members.

# SPECIAL RESOLUTION

That the Constitution of Balmain Tigers Rugby League Football Club Limited be amended as follows:

- by deleting Rule 36(c) in its entirety and inserting instead the following new Rule 36(c):
  - (c) The Board may from time to time authorise specified officers (including Directors) of the Company to have access to and be a signatory to the accounts of the Company.

# EXPLANATORY NOTES TO MEMBERS REGARDING THE SPECIAL RESOLUTION

Rule 36(c) of the Club's Constitution currently requires two (2) signatories on the accounts of the Club. The Club's bank accounts are now electronic and the requirement for two (2) signatories is no longer necessary. The online accounts provide specific details of all transactions including the officer responsible for authorizing transactions. The Board proposes that initially the persons authorized to access the accounts will be:

- Danny Stapleton
- Leslie Glen
- Garry Leo
- James Myatt

#### PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- The only members entitled to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting will be:
  - Life Members;
  - o Financial Ordinary Members of not less than thirty six (36) consecutive months membership of the Club;
  - o the Secretary of the Club; and
  - o the President, Secretary and Treasurer of the Junior League.
- To be passed, the Life Member Resolution must receive votes in its favour from at least a majority (50%+1) of those members who being eligible to do so, vote in person at the meeting.
- To be passed, the Special Resolution must receive votes in their favour from at least three-quarters (75%) of those members who being eligible to do so, vote in person at the meeting.
- As a result of the provisions of the Corporations Act 2001, the Ordinary Resolution and Special Resolutions must be considered as a whole and cannot be altered by motions from the floor of the meeting.

### FINANCIAL REPORTS, DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND AUDITOR'S REPORTS

Members may view the financial report, Directors' report and Auditor's report for years ending 31 October 2023 or receive a copy of the report by the following methods:-

- 1. Visiting the company's website www.tigers.org.au;
- 2. Visiting Wests Ashfield's premises at 115 Liverpool Road, Ashfield NSW 2131;
- 3. Requesting a copy by contacting the Secretary by:
  - Post C/- 115 Liverpool Road Ashfield NSW 2131
  - Email balmaintigers1908@gmail.com

Should there be matters related to the financial report, Directors' report and Auditor's report upon which you require further information, your written request addressed the to the Secretary should be received at least seven (7) days before the Annual General Meeting.

#### ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Nominations for the offices of three (3) Directors are invited and must be made in writing and signed by two (2) Life Members or Financial Ordinary Members of not less than thirty six (36) consecutive months membership of the Company immediately prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting and the Nominee (who, signifies his or her consent to the nomination).

In accordance with Rule 25(b) of the Club's Constitution, nominees for election as a Director must be either:

- (a) Life Members; or
- (b) Financial Ordinary Members of not less than thirty six (36) consecutive months membership of the Company immediately prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.

Nominations shall be lodged with the Secretary, no later than 5.00pm by the Nomination Close date specified below.

A Nomination Form has been included within this Notice.

Nominations Open:

Friday 1 March 2024

Nominations Close:

5.00pm on Sunday 10 March 2024

Nominees Announced:

5.30pm on Sunday 10 March 2024

If required, voting is to be conducted at the AGM on Sunday 24 March 2024.

P.P.

By direction of the Board

Danny Stapleton

CHAIRMAN, Balmain Tigers Rugby League Football Club

Dated this 23rd February 2024