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Guidelines For Awarding a Golden Service Award

The Golden Service Award is to be presented at the Association's AGM to recognize and thank those members whose contribution to the Association stands out as exceptionally generous over time.

Generally, no more than 1(one) or 2(two) awards will be presented in any given year, and there is no requirement to present an award every year.

For a Golden Service Award to be granted, reference should be made to the relevant items in the WAQA Constitution and Bylaws and the following minimum criteria should be demonstrated by the recipient:

- The member being proposed should have given exceptional service to WAQA over the period her/his membership
- Must be a current financial member of WAQA
- Must have continuous membership over the past 10 (ten) years
- Must be known to the current Management Committee
- Must be currently involved as an active member
- Must have helped to promote the aims of WAQA and quilting in general
- Must have contributed to WAQA's charitable works

Procedure for awarding a Golden Service Award

- Nomination by at least 2(two) current financial members, outlining the reasons for nomination
- Consultation and research by the Management Committee to determine the suitability of the candidate
- A vote by secret ballot of the Management Committee with at least a 75% majority in favour before Golden Service can be awarded
- Nominations should be received at least 3(three) months prior to the WAQA Annual General Meeting in October in order to give the Management Committee time to consider the proposal and prepare for the award ceremony
- Recipients will receive a framed fabric block (of any size but approximately 6" square), with a small plaque on the front of the frame that reads "In Appreciation from WAQA". A certificate will be affixed to the back that reads "Golden Service Award presented to (name) on (date) for (details of recognized voluntary service to the Association)" and the name of the maker.
- The maker of the fabric block is to be organized by the Management Committee and suitably framed at a cost approved by the Management Committee.