**Life Members**

Life Membership of Squash & Racquetball Victoria (S&RV) is a public acknowledgement of the direct contribution someone has made to squash and/or racquetball in Victoria over an extended period of time. This contribution can be in the form of playing, coaching, refereeing, administration or a general contribution.

**Elaine Broadway**

One half of Wangaratta’s dynamic duo. On the first day that Elaine arrived in Wangaratta with her husband John, back in 1987, Elaine joined the Wangaratta Squash Club, now the Wangaratta Squash and Racquetball Club. Shortly afterwards, she was elected on to their committee, where she remained until the end of 2014.

Over this 27 year period Elaine served in many positions, including as President, with great vigour, inspiration and vision, which made the Club the envy of many within the squash community. One of the Club’s great achievements has been the unification of the sports of squash and racquetball, living in harmony under the same roof, a role model for other clubs/venues.

The Club has also been a great supporter of junior programs, which have prospered under Elaine’s leadership for over two decades.

During Elaine’s period on the Committee, the Club hosted numerous regional, state, national and world tour squash and racquetball events, including fourteen Victorian Open Squash Championships, the first and only times held outside of Melbourne, and six Australian Open Racquetball Championships.

**John Broadway**

The second half of the dynamic Wangaratta duo. John has played a major role in many of the initiatives and successes of the Wangaratta Club, particularly in the event management and marketing and promotion areas.

It was John who approached the Victorian Squash Federation in 1994, regarding the possibility of the Wangaratta Squash Club hosting the Victorian Open Squash Championships.

Following the very successful hosting of the Wangaratta Racquetball Championships for 5 years, the Club successfully tendered for the 2008 Australian Open Racquetball Championships, an event it continued to host until 2013.

John was the mainstay of this event and took it to a new level with his promotion and marketing skills. He secured over fifty sponsors each year, providing prize money and giveaways, plus producing 24 page lift outs on the event for the local newspaper.

**Penry Green**

Penry was manager of the North East Jewish squash centre from the early 80's and became court owner representative of the Eastern Suburbs Squash Racquets Association. The ESSRA became the Victorian Squash League where Penry remained on committee and became president until 2010. For nearly 2 decades during his tenure as president he also took on the responsibilities of results officer - collecting and publishing the results of all VSL competitions.

Penry has been a board member of the Victorian Squash Federation and was among the first to use computers to record match results. Penry developed the VSL website to provide player and club access to the player and team performances and fixtures. This site was in use right up to the final moments of the VSL competition last year.

Penry was instrumental in supporting player centred changes to the VSL competition and with the committee kept the squash flame alive in the eastern suburbs over many years, giving generously of his time and energies to support the game. His focus was on ensuring that there was a competition that was well organised, fair to all players, fun and local.

**Denise Hill**

How do you put into words the deeds, workload and achievements of Denise who has worked tirelessly for the sport on a volunteer basis for literally centuries?

Denise has devoted over 35 years to squash as a volunteer and administrator including Secretary/Committee member of the Boronia and Maroondah Squash Clubs for 20 years, Transport Coordinator, Billet Coordinator, Volunteer Director and Accommodation Director for all state, national, and international and world squash championships hosted by the Victorian Squash Federation.

To put it in simple terms, Denise was the “Go To “person for any problem or issue.

**Jim Lambert** – posthumous award, to be accepted on Jim’s behalf by his son Keith Lambert

Jim provided 56 years of service as a player, plus as a squash administrator at club, regional, and state levels.

He started playing squash in 1946 at the St. Kilda Squash Centre, at the age of 25.

He was elected President of the Cheltenham Squash Club in 1952 and was a member of the former Squash Rackets of Victoria Board.

From 1969 to 1976 he was the Records Officer for the Central Area.

Jim was a founder of the very successful Club Circuit Squash Association in 1977 was elected its Chairman, a position he held for the following 24 years.

Jim is also a Life Member of Club Circuit.

**John Link**

John is a squash player of over 40 years and has represented the Naval& Military Club/RACV Club/Kooyong Club and Royal Melbourne Tennis Club.

He has been active in assisting Junior players throughout those 40 years and is a founding member of Squash Vic’s 100 Club.

John has financially supported many squash events including the Australian Masters Open at Moorabbin, Squash Vic’s Super Series, the Kooyong International – which is the lead up tournament to the Victorian Open Squash each year -

the Royal Melbourne Tennis Club World Open Championships and the Tanglin Club (Singapore) doubles squash tournament, an event he also participates in. He also sponsors membership at Kooyong for Australian representative Christine Nunn, PSA player Mike Corren and Shepparton’s Nathan Lindner.

At 79 years of age this year, John is still an active competitor on both the local and international stage. He played the 2014 International Masters event in Hong Kong and is currently involved in creating an over SEVENTIES Club Circuit Competition for those players who cannot keep up with the younger generation.