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OUR NEWEST LIFE MEMBER.

Most recent past President at Strathmore is Carlo "Carl" Barassi whose term of office lasted five years. Carl followed Bill Wilkinson who had set a fine standard but became a more than worthy successor.

Secretary Alf Pearce is a man who really recognizes a good President and he really appreciated Carl.

Carl played 110 games with Strathmore after coming from Melbourne Thirds in 1958 and had played in Strathmore practice matches while still on the Demons list. He had the distinction of coaching Strathmore's B grade and was captain also. He was rugged, bustling player but very fair.

Carl played an active part in the social side of the club and was Chairman of the social committee.

A task which won Carl much praise was chief ground marker. This duty, involving early rising and braving wintry weather, entailed marking our ground's boundary and goal areas.

Life memberships aren't given away at Strathmore but earned the hard way. Carl is the latest to be honored with a life membership and has served at least 10 years very faithfully and well. He missed only one of those years when he played with a local club while away in Queensland in 1960.

Secretary Alf Pearce reports that he signed Carl Barassi at Norm Leatham's house and almost signed up Carl's famous cousin Ron in the confusion.

Carl is on the social committee this year and a good financial year can be expected with his drives and energies.

The veteran Strathmore player has hung up the boots now but still keeps active by being an assistant trainer for Collingwood Reserves.

Keep up the good work, the newsletter has set an excellent standard. New ideas and contributions are always welcome.

Anyone wanting to contribute to our newsletter, please get in touch with Mr. Grant Edmondson any Sunday before 8.00: p.m.
