

CAWS POLICY 3 – CAWS MEDAL FOR LEADERSHIP



COUNCIL OF AUSTRALASIAN WEED SOCIETIES (INC)

POLICY ON THE CAWS MEDAL FOR LEADERSHIP

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1. Council wishes to recognise outstanding contributions to weed management in Australia and New Zealand through the Award of a Medal.
2. The Medal shall be known as the CAWS Medal for Leadership.
3. The Medal shall be a prestigious Award and, on average, no more than one Medal shall be awarded each year.
4. The Award shall be announced nationally by the President of CAWS at a suitable event, such as the Australasian Weeds Conference.
5. The Award shall be an inscribed Medal and a framed Citation signed by the CAWS President.
6. The Medal shall be administered by the Awards Committee of CAWS.
 - 6.1. The Awards Committee of CAWS consists of the CAWS President, Immediate Past President and one other person appointed by CAWS.
7. The Awards Committee, through CAWS, shall call for nominations at times that anticipate national events where the Medal(s) maybe presented.
8. Nominations will be prepared in confidence and treated confidentially by the Awards Committee.
9. The Awards Committee will consider the nominations and, after deliberation, inform CAWS of the successful nominees.
10. CAWS will consider the recommendations and may endorse the decisions of the Awards Committee.
11. For the purposes of the Medal, “an outstanding contribution to weed management in Australasia” shall be:
 - 11.1. A contribution to the science, technology and practice of weed management through:
 - Research
 - Teaching
 - Administration
 - Extension
 - Implementation of programs
 - 11.2. Outstanding in that the contribution is recognised by peers to be exemplary in substance, objectives, methods and results.
 - 11.3. An impact on the work of others.
 - 11.4. Sustained over a long time, perhaps ten years or more.
 - 11.5. Substantial in that the contribution is broadly-based across several categories listed in section 11.1.
 - 11.6. National in its impact. (It should be noted here that locally outstanding contributions may be recognised by Member Societies of CAWS.)

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12. These Criteria for the Medal should be itemised in the Nomination and Assessment Forms to assist the focus of the Nominating Member Societies and the Awards Committee.