

## **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 Australasia 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 two Medals shall be awarded at each Australasian Weeds Conference.
4. The Award shall be announced every two years by the President of CAWS at 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 CAWS Secretary shall call for nominations six months prior to every Australasian Weeds Conference, with nominations closing two months prior to the first day of the Australasian Weeds Conference.
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 Australia or New Zealand” 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.

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- 11.6. National in its impact. (It should be noted here that locally outstanding contributions may be recognised by Member Societies of CAWS.)
12. These criteria for the Medal should be itemised in the Nomination Form to assist the focus of the Nominating Member Societies and the Awards Committee.