

The Australian Rangeland Society Members' Travel Grant

Name

1. It shall be known as the Australian Rangeland Society Members' Travel Grant.

Purpose

2. The Grant is intended to assist an eligible person or persons to attend a meeting, conference, or congress which deals with the art or science of managing rangelands; or to assist an eligible person or persons with travel or transport costs to investigate a topic connected with range management or to implement a program of rangeland investigation not already being undertaken. The Grant is available for overseas travel, and or travel within Australia. It is not intended for subsistence expenses.

Determination

3. The Grant will be awarded, or not awarded, by Council on the merits of a written application (not exceeding 1000 words) clearly setting out the relevance of the applicant's proposal in meeting the aims of the Society. Failure to comply with these guidelines may mean rejection of an application.

Conditions

- 4. Applications may be submitted at any time but will only be considered by Council at the first scheduled regular Council Meeting after the closing date for applications of 30 November each calendar year, to be granted in the following calendar year. Applications must be submitted on the form entitled "Application Form for Travel Grant or Scholarship".
- 5. One or more Travel Grants (maximum of \$2000 each) can be awarded in a calendar year. The maximum amount available for distribution in a calendar year is \$6000 based on relevance, innovation and merit.
- 6. Applications should include details of costs and set out precisely how the Grant is to be expended. Details of any other sources of funding must be given.
- 7. Successful applicants are required to submit an article reporting on their activities, suitable for publication in the Society's *Newsletter* and on the Society's Website, within six months of completion of travel.
- 8. Applications should include the names of at least two referees.

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Eligibility

- 9. No formal qualifications are required. There are no age restrictions and all members of the Society are eligible to apply. Applications are particularly encouraged from persons who have little or no organisational support.
- 10. Only members of the Society with more than twelve months membership will be eligible to apply for the Travel Grant. Travel can be either within Australia or overseas. Overseas travel can include travel to Australia by overseas members.

Acquittal

- 11. Any Grant awarded must be properly accounted for by the recipient who will provide to Council full details of expenses incurred within four weeks of completion of travel. Unexpended funds must be refunded to the Society.
- 12. The recipient will submit their written report to Council within six months of completion of travel.

Miscellaneous

- 13. Interpretation of these guidelines is at the discretion of the governing Council in office at the time.
- 14. These guidelines may be altered by a majority vote at a special general meeting or an Annual General Meeting after notice has been duly served.

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The Australian Rangeland Society Members' Scholarship

Name

1. It shall be known as the Australian Rangeland Society Members' Scholarship.

Purpose

2. The Scholarship is an annual award intended to assist an eligible person or persons to undertake formal study of a subject or course which will enable the recipient to pursue the art or science of rangelands management and further the aims of the Australian Rangeland Society. The Scholarship is available for study assistance either overseas or within Australia. It is not intended to defray travel expenses.

Determination

3. The Scholarship will be awarded, or not awarded, by Council on the merits of a written application (not exceeding 1000 words) clearly setting out the relevance of the applicant's proposed course of study to rangelands management and in meeting the aims of the Society. Failure to comply with these guidelines may mean rejection of an application.

Conditions

- 4. Applications may be submitted at any time but will only be considered by Council at the first scheduled regular Council Meeting after the closing date for applications of 30 November each calendar year, to be granted in the following calendar year. Applications must be submitted on the form entitled "Application Form for Travel Grant or Scholarship".
- 5. One or more Scholarships (maximum of \$2000 each) can be awarded in a calendar year. The maximum amount available for distribution in a calendar year is \$6000 based on relevance, innovation and merit.
- 6. Applications should include details of the program of study or course to be undertaken and the institution under whose auspices it will be carried out. It should state precisely how the Scholarship is to be expended. Details of any other sources of funding must be given.
- 7. Applications should include the names of at least two referees.
- 8. Upon the conclusion of a course of study a recipient of a Scholarship will be required to write an article on their experiences, suitable for publication in the Society's *Newsletter* and on the Society's Website.

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Eligibility

- 9. No formal qualifications are required. There are no age restrictions and all members of the Society are eligible to apply. Applications are particularly encouraged from persons who do not have any organisational support.
- 10. Only members of the Society with more than twelve months membership will be eligible to apply for the Scholarship. Study can be undertaken either within Australia or overseas. Overseas study can include study in Australia by overseas members.
- 11. A recipient who has received a Scholarship in any one calendar year, if undertaking a continuous course of study, can apply for a further Scholarship, provided that the person has satisfied council as to the proper acquittal of any previous monies and has demonstrated satisfactory progress. Notwithstanding, such a person will not necessarily be given preference over other applicants.

Acquittal

- 12. Any Scholarship awarded must be properly accounted for by the recipient who, depending upon the length of the course undertaken, will be required to report to Council on the progress of study at a regular interval as determined by Council. Unexpended funds shall be refundable to the Society.
- 13. The recipient will submit their final written report to Council within six months of completion of study.

Miscellaneous

- 14. Interpretation of these guidelines is at the discretion of the governing Council in office at the time.
- 15. These guidelines may be altered by a majority vote at a special general meeting or an Annual General Meeting after notice has been duly served.

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