



The Australian Rangeland Society

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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 financial members or Fellows of the Society are eligible to apply. Applications are particularly encouraged from persons who have little or no organisational support, and those who are early in their rangeland career.
10. Only those people who have been financial members of the Australian Rangeland Society for more than twelve months before the closing date for applications (30 November each year), or Fellows of the Society 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.