



# The AW Howard Memorial Trust Inc.

## SUPPORTING RESEARCH ON AUSTRALIAN PASTURES AND GRASSLANDS

The AW Howard Memorial Trust Inc., established by the then Australian Institute of Agricultural Science (now Ag Institute Australia) through donations sought from 1963, has been active for 50 years. It has awarded more than 400 grants of various kinds since 1967. It has supported Australians to attend every International Grassland Congress since 1970, International Rangelands Congresses and many other research conferences and workshops as well as funding scholarships and research.

### PURPOSE

The AW Howard Memorial Trust is a not-for-profit association incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985* (South Australia). The Trust was established in 1964 to commemorate the unique contribution of Amos Howard in the use of subterranean clover as a pasture plant in Australia.

Its awards are to encourage and promote research and investigation in the fields of natural science and social science (including economics) which relate to the development, management and use of pastures.



### A.W. HOWARD MEMORIAL TRUST AWARDS

The Trust annually awards grants relating to pasture research.

**Travel Grants** are allocated to Australian citizens or residents to support their participation in international conferences (notably the International Grassland Congress and International Rangelands Congress). Up to \$5,000 each may be provided for travel grants to assist scientists to undertake overseas study tours and attend conferences to present research results.

**Howard Research Fellowships** in the form of top-up postgraduate stipends of \$10,000 per year for up to 3½ years are awarded to Australian postgraduate students or those holding similar awards.

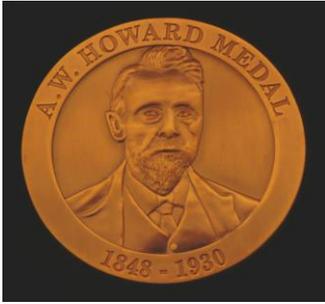
**Honours scholarships**, \$5,000 stipend plus \$3,000 for research operating expenses for students undertaking an Honours year

**Grants-in-Aid**, each up to \$5,000, are provided to Australian organisations, associations, communities or persons that seek financial aid for projects relating to pasture research.

**Study awards**, each up to \$20,000 are made to individuals who seek to examine successful grazing systems and practices that are expected to provide economic, social and environmental benefits to Australian pastoral industries and rural communities. These grants are awarded to:

- Australian pastoral industry extension specialists, consultants and agribusiness professionals; and
- Australian graziers or rangeland pastoralists.

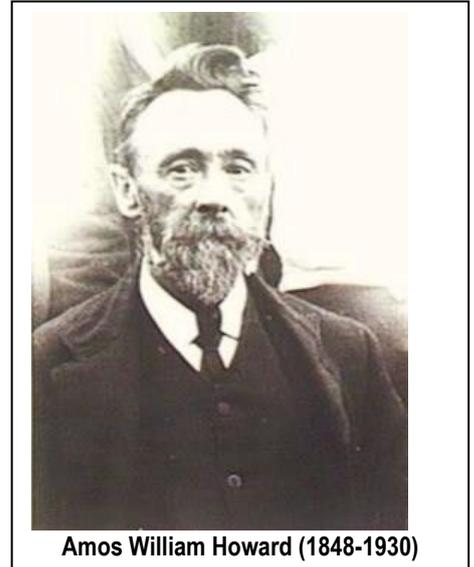
Normally only one such grant is made each year.



**The Amos W Howard Medal and Oration** is also awarded biennially by the Trust. It recognises individuals who have made eminent contributions to national and international development, management and use of native and/or introduced pastures to the benefit of Australia.

## AMOS HOWARD

In 1889 Amos William Howard found subterranean clover (*Trifolium subterraneum* L.) growing on his farm near Mt Barker, South Australia. He recognised its great promise and was the pioneer of its use in sown pastures. He sold seed commercially from 1907. During the next 20 years mechanical harvesting techniques were developed, setting the scene for the “sub clover revolution” in southern Australia. Nearly 30 million hectares of subterranean clover have now been planted in Australia.



Amos William Howard (1848-1930)

## THE TIM HEALEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**The Tim Healey Memorial Scholarship** was established by the Cooperative Research Centre for Future Farm Industries in recognition of a former Board Member, the late Dr Tim Healey. Dr Healey had broad interests encompassing agriculture, arts, architecture and travel. The Scholarship is administered by the AW Howard Memorial Trust. It offers a \$10,000 annual postgraduate stipend “top-up” for up to 3½ years for holders of Research Training Program (formerly APA) awards or equivalent for research in a field that benefits the future of Australian farming. Study areas include pastures, livestock management, farming systems, agronomy, farm business management, woody crops, on-farm biodiversity and socio-economic aspects of farming

## MANAGEMENT OF THE TRUST

The AW Howard Memorial Trust is managed by a Committee drawn from the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science and Technology, The Australian Agricultural and Resource Economics Society, the University of Adelaide, the South Australian Research and Development Institute and scientists experienced in crops and pastures including tropical pastures.

## GRANT APPLICATIONS

Grant applications open in late January or early February each year and close in March/April. Applicants are notified of the outcome during May. Fellowship and Scholarship applications are open from August to October, with successful candidates advised in November.

Application forms are available on the Trust's website

[http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/top\\_menu/pirsa\\_careers/aw\\_howard\\_memorial\\_trust](http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/top_menu/pirsa_careers/aw_howard_memorial_trust) .

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