

## NZGT Award Criteria

### **1. David Scott Award**

The David Scott Award will be available annually to a person who is a mid-career and developing scientist /agribusiness specialist/ innovator associated with the pastoral farming industries who seeks to undertake travel for conference attendance or further (postgraduate) study with a focus on hill country or high-country research.

The Award will provide \$3,000 per annum. The Award is instituted in memory of Dr David Scott who, in 2018, left a significant endowment to the NZ Grassland Trust for the benefit of members of the NZ Grassland Association.

Criteria for selection:

- Member of NZGA
- 5 to 15 years into their career whether in research, agribusiness, or farming
- Travel could be within NZ or overseas
- Purpose is to advance leadership and/or knowledge that will in some way benefit hill country or high-country farming

A detailed report on the learning gained from the study to be provided to the NZGT within a month of completion of the travel.

Applications for the 2023 year close on 1 August 2022

Download an Application form here or email [bruce.belgrave@grasslanz.com](mailto:bruce.belgrave@grasslanz.com)

### **2. Ray Brougham Trophy**

The Trust awards the Ray Brougham Trophy to a person associated with the pastoral farming industries who has made an outstanding national contribution over their working career. This was instituted in memory of the Dr Ray Brougham, Director of DSIR Grasslands 1970 – 1985. The Brougham family donated a bronze statue of a seed sower to the Trust, which is presented annually. The Award winner will also give a presentation on the highlights and lessons from their career.

Nominations are to be sent to [Bruce Belgrave](#) by 1st of March each year. Nominations are to be accompanied by a 1 page bio.

[About Dr R Brougham](#)

Video presentations of past winners are available [here](#)

[For a list of past recipients](#)

### **3. NZGT Regional Award**

This award was introduced in 1997 and is made to an appropriate person, living in the region where the annual NZGA Conference is being held. It recognises exceptional effort above and beyond the normal career contribution that supports the regional pastoral agricultural industry, be it technology development or an aspect of farming itself.

### **4. Farming Awards**

Each year the Trust makes two awards, for excellence in grassland farming, to enterprises within the Annual Conference region. Nominations are solicited from individuals, consultants and relevant organisations in the host region, and are usually the farm-owning partners, but can be managers or sharemilkers.

The major requirements sought include:

- Good grassland farming - an impressive, profitable grassland-based business, run for at least five years on the property.
- Innovative approach - using the latest grassland technology effectively.
- Sustainable management - a good degree of sustainability in the enterprise and a strong responsibility for environmental matters.
- Communication skills - passing on good grassland farming skills to others in the region, and including local community activity.

Each winner receives a framed certificate and five years' NZGA subscription, to enable them to accumulate the latest grassland information through the NZGA Annual Conference and its papers.

### ***5. Levy Student Scholarship***

The NZGT Levy Student Scholarship commemorates the lifetime efforts of agricultural science pioneer, Sir E. Bruce Levy, in developing and communicating grassland science at the old Plant Research Bureau, later DSIR's Grasslands Division, and currently part of AgResearch in Palmerston North. This is an annual scholarship for two suitable students each from Massey and Lincoln University, embarking on the second year of a Bachelor of Agriculture or Applied Science Degree in the agricultural area.

Each scholarship is for \$3000 over one year. Applications from second year students are invited each year.

To apply, download and fill out an application form -**LEVY Application**

Applications to be submitted electronically to [bruce.belgrave@grasslanz.com](mailto:bruce.belgrave@grasslanz.com) by March 30th each year