

TAPG Awards & Recognition Policy

Categories and Criteria

Introduction:

Following the Board's adoption of our Policy on this matter it was resolved that a guideline document be produced for consideration and further development based on the experience of the Board in determining awards from year to year.

Categories:

While the following categories are proposed there is not any implication that awardees need to be nominated in any or all of them in any one year. The intention is that they simply serve to focus discussion on the matter.

Suggested Categories:

- **Life Time Achievement** – “a sustained contribution over the course of a career”
- **Innovation** – “a changed practice/machinery improvement/application of technology or related change.”
- **Scientific Advancement** – “recognition of research accomplishment within the agricultural industry.”
- **Market Development** – “awarded for penetration into non traditional or unusual domains.”
- **Product Development** – “establishment of a new opportunity to extend agricultural productivity or reinvigorate an existing product.”
- **Service to the Agricultural Community** – “where an individual or group has supported the agricultural industry either directly or through representation.”
- **Training & Recruitment** – “recognition of industry changing processes including the Occupational Health & Training sector.”

Criteria & Selection Process:

1. Nominations will be called in July of each year. Nominators will be urged to discuss the process with the Executive Officer.
2. Nominee details will be submitted to the Board using a common template that will allow easier comparison of candidates.
3. The emphasis in determining all awards will be on “high order” examples.

4. The Board will capture the essence of this detail through their discussion and determination of acceptability with any nomination.
5. The Citation included with the award will detail the key elements of the nomination that led to the award.

Conclusion:

Once discussion on these matters is settled the machinery processes of timelines, notification to recipients and media release needs to be determined to allow for presentations to be made at an appropriate occasion such as an Industry Forum or the AGM of TAPG

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