



Southern Australia Livestock Research Council (SALRC INC)

2021 Awards for Excellence in Southern Australian Livestock Industries

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Background Information

The Southern Australia Livestock Research Council (SALRC) is an independent Incorporated Association and one of three national advisory councils set up to provide recommendations on research and development (R&D) and extension and adoption (E&A) initiatives and investments in the Australian red meat and livestock industry. SALRC provides this function to the beef and sheepmeat industries of south-eastern Australia, while its affiliate councils, the North Australia Beef Research Council (NABRC) and Western Australia Livestock Research Council (WALRC), provide equivalent roles to the northern beef and south-western livestock sectors, respectively.

SALRC's geographic area is based on seven major red meat and livestock production zones in south-eastern Australia (see Figure 1) including; Northern NSW and SE Qld; Southern NSW; Central and Western NSW & QLD Sheep; Central Vic; Western Vic; Southeast Vic & Tas; and South Australia. Each of these zones is supported by a SALRC Regional Committee, comprising commercial livestock producers and processors, grower networks, RD&A providers and other key stakeholders involved in the delivery, extension and adoption of R&D. The Chairs of the seven Regional Committees in-turn make up the producer representatives on SALRC's Council, sitting alongside senior representatives from Meat and Livestock Australia (MLA), State Departments of Primary Industry (DPIs), CSIRO, universities and other major RD&A providers. At this level, SALRC is led by an Independent Chairman and Secretariat, and supported by a governance and Management Committee.

Figure 1: SALRC Region



The Awards

SALRC is pleased to announce the 2021 SALRC Awards. The awards are important because they identify, recognise, reward and celebrate excellence in the contributions of individuals in the red meat and livestock industries. Specifically, the awards aim to identify individuals who have contributed to research, development, extension, communication and practical application of innovation on farm, to improve the profitability, productivity and sustainability of the Southern Australian red meat and livestock industries.

SALRC considers that identifying and rewarding excellence of younger leaders gives them a kick start in their career and that all SALRC award winners are drawn from a pool of candidates which is diverse and representative of the entire industry.

Nominations must be from a third party (that is, individuals cannot self-nominate).

The SALRC Committee will co-ordinate the nomination and selection process. Below is an overview of the process, timeframe and selection criteria:

- There are FOUR award categories:
 1. Livestock Producer;
 2. Scientist/researcher;
 3. Communicator/extension specialist;
 4. Young achiever (35 years or under).
- The awards are open to any individual (not necessarily only those currently involved with SALRC).
- Nominees;
 - Must have excelled in their individual fields.
 - Must have either resided or spent substantial time in the SALRC region during the time they excelled in their particular field.
 - Are expected to attend the SALRC Awards Presentation on 15/16 September 2021.
- Nominations must be made on the official nomination form (refer page 4) and be received by the SALRC Secretariat by 30 June 2021.
- Nominators should address the selection criteria thoroughly.
- Awards will be presented at an event coinciding with the SALRC Spring Council meeting.
- Award recipients (who are expected to attend the award presentation) will be advised in sufficient time to make any necessary plans. Angela Inkester (SALRC Secretariat) will make any travel arrangements for recipients to attend the presentation. Assistance with travel costs is available.
- The SALRC Committee, which is made up of producers, scientists, and extension/communication specialists, will conduct the selection process and decide on the award recipients. Their decision is final.
- The SALRC Committee reserves the right to re-allocate a nominee into another category if deemed appropriate.

2021 SALRC Awards – Selection Criteria

There are four criteria for all three award categories (young achiever is from one of the three categories). Nominees must have excelled in their individual fields and must have either resided or spent a substantial amount of time in Southern Australia while they excelled in their particular field which must be relevant to Southern Australia and overall will be judged on.

- Value of work to the Australian Livestock Industries
- Work carried out above and beyond normal duties
- The standing of the individual in the Australian Livestock industries
- The degree to which the individual has been a change agent
- The degree to which the individual has been an industry leader / mentor

Specifically the judging panel will be considering:

<p>Producer Award Note: This award is open to all producers. Producer nominees do not have to be associated with a SALRC Regional Committee.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstrated commitment to the livestock industry particularly in promoting R & D participation and leadership in innovative project development. 2. Demonstrated implementation of research results in their on-farm operations with quantified benefits. 3. Demonstrated active participation in the R & D process – identification of issues, development of relevant projects, implementation of results and assessment of benefits. 4. Industry leadership / mentoring.
<p>Scientist / Researcher Award</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstrated recognition and scientific reputation amongst peers in Southern Australia. 2. Produced research that has had significant impact on the south-eastern livestock industry. 3. Demonstrated effort to ensure research results are applied in the most efficient and beneficial way. 4. Industry leadership / mentoring
<p>Communicator / Extension Award</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstrated commitment to the industry. 2. Developed and/or applied innovative tools or methods of communication, learning and information dissemination. Any area of “extension” e.g: government or private, radio, TV, print media. 3. Demonstrated impact on farm practice, producer education, community awareness. 4. Industry leadership / mentoring.
<p>Young Achiever (To acknowledge the contribution to RD&E for people 35 years and under in any of the three award categories above.)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Demonstrated achievement in the Australian livestock industry. 2. Evidence for recognition as an existing or potential leader in their field. <p>PLUS:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. The criteria for the applicable major award category will be used to assess the potential leadership qualities.
<p>Key dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nominations close at 5pm AEST time on 30 June 2021 • Award recipients will be notified by 31 July 2021. • Award presentation to be held at a SALRC event on 15/16 Sep 2021.

For more information about the SALRC Awards, please contact:

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2021 SALRC Awards - Nomination Form

Nominations close 5.00pm Wednesday 30th June 2021

Directions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Complete the nomination form Prepare a thorough response to the selection criteria Email or post the completed nomination form and selection criteria response to be received by 5 PM AEST 30 June 2021: <p style="text-align: center;">Post: Mike Stephens, SALRC EO, 96 Harbours Road, Yendon VIC 3352</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Email: info@salrc.com.au Ph: 03 5341 6100</p>
Important	<p>Please ensure your response to the selection criteria includes sufficient information for the selection panel to consider the nomination and compare it with others in the same award category. To be eligible for an award, candidates must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet the selection criteria listed on the “SALRC Awards” Information document; and Be available to attend the Awards presentation
Award Category	<p>Please indicate (tick) which Award category your nomination is for:</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> Producer <input type="checkbox"/> Scientist/Researcher <input type="checkbox"/> Communications/Extension <input type="checkbox"/> Young Achiever </p>

Nominee Details	Full name:	
	Address:	
	Ph:	Mob:
	Email:	

Nominator Details Note: Individuals or groups are eligible to nominate	Nominator Name:	
	On behalf of (if applicable) Please name the group or organisation you are nominating on behalf of:	
	Ph:	Mob:
	Email:	
	I have read and understand the 2021 SALRC Awards selection criteria and confirm that the nominee has accepted the nomination.	
	Signature: _____ Date: _____	