Nominations sought for the 2015 AustMS Medal

The Medal Committee for the 2015 Australian Mathematical Society Medal is now seeking nominations and recommendations for possible candidates for this Medal, which will be awarded to a member of the Society, under the age of forty, for distinguished research in the Mathematical Sciences. These should be sent by email to the Chair of the AustMS Medal Committee. Nominations should be received by 24 April 2015.

For further information, please contact by email the Chair of the 2015 AustMS Medal Committee, Professor N.C. Wormald, School of Mathematical Sciences, Monash University, PO Box 28M, Victoria 3800 (nick.wormald@monash.edu).

See http://www.austms.org.au/AMSInfo/medal.html for a list of past AustMS Medal winners.

Rules for the Australian Mathematical Society Medal

1. There shall be a Medal known as "The Australian Mathematical Society Medal".

2. (i) This will be awarded annually to a Member of the Society, under the age of 40 on 1st January of the year in which the Medal is awarded, for distinguished research in the Mathematical Sciences. The AustMS Medal Committee may, in cases where there have been significant interruptions to a mathematical career, waive this age limit by normally up to five years.

    (ii) A significant proportion of the research work should have been carried out in Australia.

    (iii) In order to be eligible, a nominee for the Medal has to have been a member of the Society for the calendar year preceding the year of the award; back dating of membership to the previous year is not acceptable.

3. The award will be approved by the President on behalf of the Council of the Society on the recommendation of a Selection Committee appointed by the Council.

4. The Selection Committee shall consist of three persons each appointed for a period of three years and known as "Incoming Chair", "Chair" and "Outgoing Chair" respectively, together with a fourth person appointed each year for one year only.

5. The Selection Committee will consult with appropriate assessors.

6. The award of the Medal shall be recorded in one of the Society's Journals along with the citation and photograph.

7. The Selection Committee shall also prepare an additional citation in a form suitable for newspaper publication. This is to be embargoed until the Medal winner has been announced to the Society.

8. One Medal shall be awarded each year, unless either no one of sufficient merit is found, in which case no Medal shall be awarded; or there is more than one candidate of equal (and sufficient) merit, in which case the committee can recommend the award of at most two Medals.

Nominations sought for the 2015 Gavin Brown Prize

The 2015 Gavin Brown Prize Selection Committee is now seeking nominations and recommendations for possible candidates for this prize, to be awarded for an outstanding and innovative piece of research in the mathematical sciences published by a Member or Members of the Society. The award will be for a single article, monograph or book consisting of original research, and published in the nine calendar years preceding the year of the award.

Nominators should provide a brief (1–2 pages) summary of what makes the nominated publication important and original, with appropriate references to prior or subsequent work in the field. These should be sent by email to the Chair of the Gavin Brown Prize Selection Committee. Nominations should be received by 24 April 2015.

For further information, please contact by email, the Chair of the 2015 Gavin Brown Prize Selection Committee, Professor J.M. Borwein, School of Mathematical and Physical Sciences, The University of Newcastle, Callaghan, NSW 2308 (jon.borwein@gmail.com).

Rules for the Gavin Brown Prize

1. The Gavin Brown Prize will be awarded annually for an outstanding and innovative piece of research in the mathematical sciences published by a Member or Members of the Society.

2. Each award will be for a single article, monograph, or book, consisting of original research, and published in the 9 calendar years preceding the year of the award.

3. To be eligible for the award of the Gavin Brown Prize, a publication must have at least one author who meets the following conditions:

    (i) he/she must be a member of the Society, and must have been a member of the Society for the calendar year at the time of publication of the paper (back-dating of membership is not allowed);

    (ii) he/she must be normally resident in Australia, and must have been normally resident in Australia at the time when the research was carried out.

4. In the case of publications with multiple authors, the prize will be shared by all authors. The existence of authors who do not meet the conditions in

Rule 3 will not preclude this award, although the Selection Committee may take it into account in assessing the achievement of the author(s) who do meet those conditions.

5. The Selection Committee may deem a publication ineligible if an author has previously received an award from the Australian Mathematical Society for a body of research which included the publication in question.

6. Nominations for the Gavin Brown Prize will be called for in the first half of each year. A publication may be nominated for the award by any member of the Society who is not an author of that publication.

7. The award will be decided by a Selection Committee appointed by the Council.

8. The Selection Committee will consist of 4 persons:

    (i) 3 persons each appointed for a period of 3 years, namely a Chair, an Incoming Chair who will become the Chair in the following year, and an Outgoing Chair who has been the Chair in the preceding year;

    (ii) 1 person appointed for one year only.

9. The Selection Committee may consult with appropriate external assessors.

AustMS Accreditation

- Professor Terry Mills of La Trobe University has been accredited as a Fellow (FAustMS).
- Associate Professor David Pask of the University of Wollongong has been accredited as a Fellow (FAustMS).
- Mr Julio Perez of Benowa State High School has been accredited as a Graduate Member (GAustMS).

Peter Stacey
AustMS Secretary
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Peter Stacey joined La Trobe as a lecturer in 1975 and retired as an associate professor at the end of 2008. Retirement has enabled him to spend more time with his family while continuing with some research and some work on secondary school education. He took over as secretary of the Society at the start of 2010.