

## **Criteria Governing the Award of the Bledisloe Cup**

### **Purpose**

The Bledisloe Cup is the premium industry award in the New Zealand Horticulture Industry. It is awarded to a person or persons who have:

*made an outstanding and meritorious contribution  
to the New Zealand horticulture industry.*

### **Background**

The Cup is owned by the NZ Fruitgrowers Charitable Trust and the process of awarding the Cup is managed by the Directors of Horticulture NZ.

### **Judging**

The directors of Horticulture New Zealand Inc will act as judges and have full and final discretion over the awarding of the Cup. The judges are not obliged to award the Cup if no nominations are received or if those nominated are not considered by the Directors to be worthy recipients of the Cup.

### **Nominations**

Each year the judges will call for nominations for the Cup, notify the closing date by which nominations must be received and specify the supporting material required to accompany nominations. Nominations must come from active grower members of Horticulture NZ or affiliated product groups or affiliated associations or Horticulture NZ Board members. Horticulture NZ will ensure that the call for nominations is widely promoted within the industry.

### **Eligibility**

Any person who has made an outstanding and meritorious contribution to the New Zealand horticulture industry may be nominated or awarded the Cup whether or not such person is or has been a member of Horticulture NZ.

### **Presentation**

The Bledisloe Cup will be presented at the Horticulture New Zealand Annual Conference. Horticulture NZ will fund the attendance of the recipient and up to one other support person to the Conference where the award is presented. The recipient will hold the cup for a period of one year.

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## **Criteria Governing the Horticulture New Zealand President's Trophy**

### ***Purpose***

The Horticulture New Zealand President's Trophy may be awarded to persons showing promise in business and horticulture industry leadership. This trophy is intended to recognise a passion for working on behalf of the horticulture industry in New Zealand, as well as a commitment to developing as a business leader and successful grower.

### ***Eligibility***

Recipients must be a member of Horticulture New Zealand or an employee of a member or a Horticulture New Zealand affiliate (Product Group or Grower Association)

### ***Nominations***

Each year Horticulture New Zealand will call for nominations for the President's Trophy, notify the closing date by which nominations must be received and specify the supporting material required to accompany nominations.

Any active grower member, affiliated product group, affiliated grower association or Horticulture New Zealand board member may submit a nomination for the Horticulture New Zealand President's Trophy.

The Horticulture New Zealand Board will consider all nominations and will advise the nominating person or organisation the outcome of their consideration.

### ***Decision***

The Horticulture New Zealand Board will make the final determination over the awarding of the President's Trophy. The Board is not obliged to award the trophy if no nominations are received or if those nominated are not considered by the Board to be worthy recipients of the award.

### ***Presentation***

The Horticulture New Zealand's President's Trophy will be presented at the Horticulture New Zealand Annual Conference. Horticulture New Zealand will fund the attendance of the recipient and up to one other support person to the Conference where the trophy is presented.

## Criteria Governing the Horticulture New Zealand Industry Service Award

### ***Purpose***

The Industry Service Award may be awarded to persons who have provided long-standing and significant service to the New Zealand horticulture industry. This award is focused on persons in industry related support or supplier roles that have worked beyond the call of duty for the betterment of the horticulture industry.

### ***Eligibility***

Recipients must have worked for a business or organisation providing services to the horticulture industry (e.g. a staff member of a Product Group or Grower Association, a scientist, input supplier, packhouse, wholesaler, exporter or retailer).

Growers are not eligible for this award unless they met the criteria above i.e. they also held an industry service role.

### ***Nominations***

Each year Horticulture New Zealand will call for nominations for the Industry Service Award, notify the closing date by which nominations must be received and specify the supporting material required to accompany nominations.

Any active grower member, affiliated product group, affiliated grower association or Horticulture New Zealand board member may submit a nomination for Industry Service Award.

The Horticulture New Zealand Board will consider all nominations and will advise the nominating person or organisation the outcome of their consideration.

### ***Decision***

The Horticulture New Zealand Board will make the final determination over the awarding of the Industry Service Award. The Board is not obliged to award an Industry Service Award if no nominations are received or if those nominated are not considered by the Board to be worthy recipients of the award.

The Board will only award one Industry Service Award each year unless it determines by resolution that exceptional circumstances mean that more than one award should be made.

### ***Presentation***

Industry Service Awards will be presented at the Horticulture New Zealand Annual Conference. Horticulture New Zealand will fund the attendance of the recipient and up to one other support person to the Conference where the award is presented.

## **Criteria Governing the Award of the Life Membership of Horticulture New Zealand Inc**

### ***Purpose***

The Life Membership of Horticulture NZ may be awarded to persons that have provided distinguished and honourable services to Horticulture NZ. Life membership shall continue for the life of the recipient without payment of any fees. Life Membership is awarded in accordance with Clause 5(a)(ii) of the Horticulture NZ Constitution.

### ***Eligibility***

Any person who has provided distinguished and honourable services to Horticulture NZ or in respect of the objects, for which Horticulture NZ is established, over a period of at least 10 years, may be awarded Life Membership. The award may be made whether or not such person is or has been a member of Horticulture NZ.

### ***Nominations***

Each year Directors will notify to the industry the closing date by which any nominations for Life Membership must be received.

Any active grower member or affiliated product group or affiliated association or horticulture NZ Board Member may nominate any person for life Membership of Horticulture NZ. Any nomination received will be considered by Directors. Directors will advise the nominating person or organisation the outcome of their consideration.

### ***Decision***

The Directors of Horticulture New Zealand Inc will make the final determination over the awarding of Life Membership. Such determination will be made by secret ballot. The Directors are not obliged to award a Life Membership if no nominations are received or if those nominated are not considered by the Directors to be worthy recipients of the award.

Directors may only award one Life Membership each year unless they determine by resolution that exceptional circumstances mean that more than one awards should be made.

### ***Presentation***

Life Membership Awards will be presented at the Horticulture New Zealand Annual Conference. Horticulture NZ will fund the attendance of the recipient and up to one other support person to the Conference where the award is presented.

### ***Benefits***

Life Members will not have voting rights unless the Life Member remains an Active Grower Member. They shall however, continue as honorary members for life without payment of any fees. Horticulture NZ will also fund:

- a. the conference registration and meal costs for the Life Member to attend annual Horticulture NZ conferences; and
- b. a copy of either the "Orchardist" or "Grower" Magazine (or similar HortNZ publications) each month free of charge.

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