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2018 Australian Wool Industry Medal Nominations close COB 1st May 2018

The Federation of Australian Wool Organisations Inc. (FAWO) is calling for nominations for the 2018 Australian Wool Industry Medal.

The Australian Wool Industry Medal (AWIM) recognises men and women who have made an exceptional and sustained contribution to the Australian wool industry. The medal was first introduced in 2017 where 11 recipients from across Australia and representing all facets of the wool industry were recognized.

FAWO Chairman, Mr David Michell said “The Australian Wool Industry Medal is a positive initiative for the wool industry as it will bring forward nominations of people from a diverse range of backgrounds”.

Mr Michell said “We are a proud industry and to be able to celebrate the success of the men and women who have helped shape this \$3.5 billion industry by making a real difference through their dedication, pursuit of excellence and achievement is important.”

The hard work by all those across the Australian Wool Industry contributes not only to individual businesses but flows out to our communities and other industries.

Mr Michell said “We all know people in the industry who we admire and look up to for their energy, contribution and impact they have on our industry.”

Individuals, community organisations, professional bodies and those across the wool industry are encouraged to nominate extraordinary people from producing to shearing, from education to science, from wool classing to fashion for consideration for these awards.

Categories of eligible nominees include, but are not limited to: Wool Growers, Brokers, Shearers, Wool Classers, Researchers, Buyers, Educators and those engaged in Marketing and Industry Services to name a few. Further information and a nomination form can be downloaded from www.fawo.org.au

The announcement of the 2018 Australian Wool Industry Medal recipient(s) takes place at a special presentation at the National “Wool Week” dinner on 23 August 2018 at the Melbourne Cricket Ground in Melbourne said Mr Michell.

“The Australian wool industry is the world’s largest and is recognized globally as the leader in fibre quality, professional standards and research excellence. This award will enhance the profile of an industry steeped in history and achievement.”

Nominations for the 2018 Australian Wool Industry Medal are now open and close COB 1st May 2018.

The Australian Wool Industry Medal is fully supported by FAWO and its Members.

Federation of Australian Wool Organisation members: Australian Council of Wool Exporters and Processors, Australian Wool Exchange, Australian Wool Handlers, Australian Wool Innovation, Australian Wool Testing Authority, The National Council of Wool Selling Brokers of Australia, and WoolProducers Australia.

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