**GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATION FOR THE**

#### GILRUTH PRIZE

The Gilruth Prize was established by the Australian Veterinary Association in 1953 to commemorate the name of Dr J.A. Gilruth. Dr Gilruth was Dean of the Faculty of Veterinary Science of the University of Melbourne, the first Chief of the Division of Animal Health, CSIRO, and was an outstanding veterinary authority. This prize is awarded for outstanding service to **Veterinary Science** in Australia.

**Explanatory notes**

1. This is the most senior award given to veterinary graduates for outstanding service to **Veterinary Science**. The main criterion is that the awardee’s work has brought great credit to the profession or made a major contribution to veterinary science in Australia over many years.

2. It may be awarded to members or non-members of the Association.

1. Only one award may be given in any one year and the award should not be given if a suitable recipient cannot be identified.
2. Both the Divisional and Special Interest Group Committees and the National Awards Committee are responsible for selecting nominations for the Gilruth Prize and ensuring that the provided nomination form and suitable **CVs are produced** to support their nomination.
3. Recommendation for the Gilruth Prize is by the National Awards Committee for ratification at a meeting of the AVA Board. The nominee who receives the most primary votes is the successful candidate. However, if there is a tie, the secondary and tertiary votes are to be considered. The National Awards Committee is responsible for ensuring that nominations are of an exceptional standard.
4. Secrecy should be maintained in relation to nominees.
5. After taking advice from the National Awards Committee, the Chair is to notify the EO which applications, if any, should be considered again with or without revision in the ensuring year.

**The prize consists of:**

* An opportunity to speak for 10 Minutes on selected topic during the AVA Annual Conference
* A Silver Medal
* A Certificate
* Complimentary AVA Conference registration on the day of the award presentation

## Selection Criteria, nominees are to be judged on -

* + Eminence
  + Quality of Service
  + Duration of Contribution
  + Impact on the Australian veterinary profession

**NOMINATION FORM**

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**Please use in conjunction with the Gilruth Medal Guidelines attached**

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| **Nominees’ Name and**  **Contact Details** |  |
| **Qualifications (if applicable)** |  |
| **Previous prizes/awards** |  |
| **Current AVA member and year joined, if applicable** |  |
| **Abridged but informative**  **CV** |  |
| **Quality of service to the veterinary profession** |  |
| **Duration of contribution** |  |
| **Diversity of service to the veterinary profession** |  |
| **Impact on veterinary profession in Australia** |  |
| **Other information to contribute to the nomination** |  |

Citation of no more than 300 words (this will be edited by the AVA and checked by the nominee prior to publication in the Awards brochure).

**NB - Note that this is the official nomination form and no other form of nomination will be accepted. Please try and keep nomination to no longer than 2 A4 pages if possible.**