

ASF Awards

Several awards are given by the ASF in recognition of the contributions and achievements of speleologists to ASF itself, to the reputation of Australian speleology generally, or to a particular club or special interest. Recipients range from scientists and cave managers to recreational cavers and to those who have devoted years of their life to cave conservation. Awards are usually announced biennially at Conferences.

Fellows of the Australian Speleological Federation (Life Membership)

The Fellowship of ASF is given for outstanding service over a long period of time, to the Federation itself.

1974	Elery Hamilton-Smith	1991	Nicholas White	2003	Peter Berrill
1985	Peter Matthews	1993	Lloyd Robinson		
1987	Andrew Spate	1997	Patrick Larkin		

Edie Smith Award (see “Who was Edie Smith” article in Australian Caver 154, 2001)

Awarded for outstanding service to Australian speleology over a long period of time. Edie Smith was a distinguished pioneer of Australian speleology, a life member of Tasmanian Caverneering Club and the first woman President of an Australian speleological society, Canberra Speleological Society.

1972	Ted Lane	1985	Dr Albert Goede	1997	Dr R. Armstrong Osborne
	Dr Aola Richards	1987	Barry Loveday		Neil Anderson
1974	Dr Joe Jennings	1988	Dr Julia James	1999	C. Henry Shannon
1976	Elery Hamilton-Smith	1993	Ernst Holland	2003	Lex Bastian OAM
1978	Ben Nurse		John Bonwick		Rauleigh Webb
1980	John Dunkley	1995	Dr Brian Finlayson	2005	Arthur Clarke
1981	Dr Kevin Kiernan		Dr Rod Wells		Alan Warild
	Vince Kinnear		Dr Grant Gartrell		

Award of Distinction

Established to recognise those who have made an especially notable contribution to speleology

1994	Doreen & Norm Pershouse	1997	Nopparat Naksathit	2001	Dr Bill Humphreys
			John Spies	2005	John & Glenda Wylie

Certificate of Merit

1983	Bruce Dunhill		Andrew Pavey	1993	Arthur Clarke		John Toop
	Ross Ellis		Les Pearson		Kevin Mott	2001	Peter Dykes
	Dr Julia James		Tom Robinson		Norman Poulter		Mick Godwin
	Ian Lewis		Cathie & David		Trevor Wailes		Denis Marsh
	Neil Montgomery		Rothery		Rauleigh Webb	2003	Julie & Peter Bauer
	Lloyd Robinson		Dr John Watson	1995	Fred Aslin		Fr Ken Boland
	C. Henry Shannon		Members of VSA		John Brush		Darren Brooks
	Roy Skinner	1987	Ron Allum		Craig Hardy		Daryl Carr
	Andrew Spate		Evalt Crabbe		Ken Keck		Peter Horne
	John Taylor		Grace & Don Matts		Max Meth		Athol Jackson
1984	R.Michael Bourke		Stuart Nicholson		Lloyd Mill		Tom Porritt
	Col Carter	1988	Miles Pierce	1997	Peter Ackroyd		Susan White
	Adrian Davey		Graham Pilkington		Peter Bell	2005	Stephen Blanden
	Stefan Eberhard		Paul Wilson		Chris Dunne		Louise Coleborn
	Rolan Eberhard		Members of CQSS		Bruce Howlett		Rob Foulds
	Greg Middleton	1991	Lex Bastian		Neville Michie		Penny Jansen
	Barry Moore		Alan Cummins		Keith Tritton		John Kersey
	Alan Warild		Jackie & David		Wayne Tyson		Bob Kershaw
1985	Ken Grimes		Lowry	1999	David Martin		

Awards in the Order of Australia (General Division)

Awarded by the Governor-General of Australia for achievement or for meritorious service, the following members of ASF have been recognised for services related to speleology:

Member (AM): Elery Hamilton-Smith (2001)

Medal (OAM): Don Matts (1993), Anne Atkinson (1998), Norman Poulter (1999), Lex Bastian (2003)