

The Loder Cup

“Offered to lovers of nature in New Zealand to encourage the protection and cultivation of the incomparable flora of the Dominion.”



How to nominate a person or group of people for the Loder Cup in 2018.

What is the Loder Cup?

The Loder Cup acknowledges outstanding achievements in flora conservation work. Gerald Loder donated the Loder Cup in 1926 to “encourage and honour New Zealanders who work to investigate, promote, retain and cherish our indigenous flora”. The Minister of Conservation awards the Loder Cup to a person or group of people who best represent the objectives of the Cup, to celebrate their outstanding conservation work in New Zealand.

Who can the Minister of Conservation award the Loder Cup to?

The Minister of Conservation can award the Loder Cup to any person or group of people who are put forward by one of the nominating organisations. Each nomination will be considered for two years in a row unless they win the Loder Cup or the nominating body withdraws the nomination. After the second year, the nominating body must wait a year before submitting a nomination for the same person or group of people. The Minister of Conservation may not award the Loder Cup to previous recipients, and the Committee may refrain from making a recommendation if none are suitable.

Who can nominate a person or group of people for the Loder Cup?

Each of these organisations may nominate one person or one group of people for the Loder Cup.

- Royal New Zealand Institute of Horticulture and any affiliated society*
- Royal Society of New Zealand and any affiliated society
- Any university in New Zealand
- New Zealand Plant Producers Incorporated
- New Zealand Recreation Association and any affiliated society*
- New Zealand Plant Conservation Network
- Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand and any affiliated society*
- New Zealand Conservation Authority and any Conservation Board
- New Zealand Botanical Society
- Any private person through one of the organisations listed above*

*Affiliated societies/private people must specify the official nominating organisation they are linked to.

Loder Cup winners from 2001 – 2017

2017 – Prof. Peter de Lange	2008 - Shannel Courtney
2015-16 – Barbara and Neill Simpson	2007 – Amanda Baird
2014 – Clive Paton ONZM	2006 - Bruce Clarkson
2013 – Nicholas Head	2005 - Ewen Cameron
2012 – Dr Ralph Allen	2004 - Colin Ogle
2011 – Mark Dean	2003 - Dr Gerry McSweeney
2010 - Dr Colin Burrows	2002 - Marge Maddren
2009 - Dr Philip Simpson	2001 - Dr Colin Meurk

How do I/we nominate a person or group of people for the Loder Cup?

To nominate a person or group of people you must:

- complete the nomination form
- prepare and collate these documents to support your nomination:
 - a letter of nomination – statement outlining recommendation
 - an outline of the achievements with clear demonstration of outcomes (max 5 pages)
 - a brief CV for a nominated individual, or a detailed description of a nominated group’s work
 - extra materials, e.g. presentations, references, letters of support, articles, media releases
- send the original official nomination form and original supporting papers plus nine copies of all to: Dr Rick McGovern-Wilson, Senior Statutory Bodies Advisor, Department of Conservation, PO Box 10 420, Wellington 6143, or rmcgovern@doc.govt.nz

If the individual or group you have nominated wins the Loder Cup, you will need to organise a celebration for the winner’s family, friends and colleagues, so the Minister of Conservation can present the Cup.

What are the guidelines for the letter of recommendation nomination statement?

Please follow these guidelines to write the letter of recommendation nomination statement for your nomination.

- The nominating organisation must write it.
- It can be a maximum of two pages on A4 size paper.

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Please complete and send the original of this form and original supporting documents, plus nine copies of all, to make a nomination for the Loder Cup in 2018.

Please complete the details below for the nominating organisation or individual.

Your organisation/your name: _____

Contact person for your nomination: _____

If you are an affiliated society please specify the official nominating organisation that you are linked to, or if a private person, specify through which of the official nominating organisations:

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email address: _____

Please complete the details below for the individual or group of people you are nominating.

Nominee's name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Please send the original of your completed form and documents to support your nomination, plus nine copies of all to: Dr Rick McGovern-Wilson, Senior Statutory Bodies Advisor, Department of Conservation, PO Box 10 420, Wellington 6143. The closing date for Loder Cup nominations is 5pm, 18 May 2018.

- It must include a statement about why the nominee’s work qualifies for a Loder Cup nomination, outline the nominee’s achievements and the demonstrable outcomes.
- It should show how the nominee’s work:
 - meets Gerald Loder’s objective to “encourage and honour New Zealanders who work to investigate, promote, retain and cherish New Zealand’s indigenous flora”;
 - has made a tangible difference to the protection of New Zealand’s indigenous flora; and
 - has made a significant contribution over and above their employment expectations if they work in the field of botany or plant conservation or horticulture.

What is the closing date for the Loder Cup nominations in 2018?

The closing date for Loder Cup nominations is **5pm, 18 May 2018**.

Who do I contact to ask for more information about nominating a person or group of people for the Loder Cup in 2018?

Please contact:

Dr Rick McGovern-Wilson
Senior Statutory Bodies Advisor
Department of Conservation
PO Box 10 420
Wellington 6143

Phone: DDI 027 200 5716

Email: rmcgovern@doc.govt.nz

The Loder Cup’s history

Gerald Loder was captivated by our indigenous flora on his first visit to New Zealand in 1886. Over many years Gerald collected a large selection of New Zealand and Southern Hemisphere flora to plant on his estate in Surrey, England. In 1926 Gerald donated a cup to encourage and honour New Zealanders who investigate, promote, retain and cherish our indigenous flora. Gerald Loder became Lord Wakehurst in 1934. He was passionately involved with our “incomparable flora” until his death in 1936.
