



Nominations sought for the 2013 AustMS Medal

As explained in more detail in the November 2012 issue of the *Gazette*, the Medal Committee for the 2013 Australian Mathematical Society Medal is now seeking nominations and recommendations for possible candidates for this Medal.

See www.austms.org.au/The+Australian+Mathematical+Society+Medal for further information, or contact the Chair of the 2013 Medal Committee, Professor J.A. Filar, at jerzy.filar@flinders.edu.au. Nominations should be received by 30 April 2013.

Nominations sought for the 2013 Gavin Brown Prize

As explained in more detail in the November 2012 issue of the *Gazette*, the Medal Committee for the 2013 Gavin Brown Prize is now seeking nominations and recommendations for possible candidates for this Prize which will be in Statistics, including Probability.

For further information see www.austms.org.au/Gavin+Brown+Prize+winners or contact the Chair of the 2013 Gavin Brown Prize Committee, Professor P.G. Hall, at halpstat@ms.unimelb.edu.au. Nominations should be received by 30 April 2013.

Honorary Fellows: call for nominations

In the *Gazette* Vol. 33 No. 1, March 2006, pp. 69–70, the Rules for Honorary International Fellowship of the Australian Mathematical Society are listed. (See also www.austms.org.au/Publ/Gazette/2006/Mar06/austmsnews.pdf.)

In accordance with Rule 4(a) I hereby call for nominations. These should be sent electronically to secretary@austms.org.au before the end of August 2013.

Alf van der Poorten Travelling Fellowship

As a result of a generous donation from the van der Poorten family, applications for the 2013 Alf van der Poorten Travelling Fellowship are now invited, subject to the following rules. Prospective applicants should visit the Society's web site at www.austms.org.au/Alf+van+der+Poorten+Travelling+Fellowship for an application template before submitting an application electronically to the selection committee at van.der.poorten@austms.org.au before 16 May 2013.

The members of the selection committee are: Professor Andrew Mathas (Chair), Associate Professor Peter Stacey and Dr Natalie Thamwattana.

Rules for Alf van der Poorten Travelling Fellowship

1. The Alf van der Poorten Travelling Fellowship is offered annually to researchers who have obtained their PhD in pure mathematics from an Australian university.
2. To be eligible to apply, a candidate must have qualified for their PhD within two years of the closing date and they cannot have previously been awarded the Alf van der Poorten Fellowship. Applicants must have been members of the Society for at least twelve months at the time of application. (Back dating of membership to the previous year is not sufficient.) Preference may be given to applicants who are resident in Australia.
3. At most one Alf van der Poorten Fellowship will be awarded each year, unless no one of sufficient merit is found, in which case no Fellowship shall be awarded.
4. The Fellowship Committee of the Society will make recommendations to the President of the Society on the award of the Alf van der Poorten Fellowship.
5. Applications for the Alf van der Poorten Fellowship should include the completed application form, detailing a travel and research plan and budget (at most one page), a full CV and a letter from the awarding institution confirming when the applicant qualified for the award of their PhD. Applications should be sent to van.der.poorten@austms.org.au by May 16 in the year of the award.
6. The applicant should arrange for two letters of support from experts in their field to be sent directly to the committee care of van.der.poorten@austms.org.au.
7. The selection committee will recommend the amount to be granted, to a maximum of \$5,000, to a successful applicant, taking account of the proposed research and travel activities, the need for support and the research track record of the applicant relative to opportunity.
8. The Selection Committee reserves the right to consult with appropriate assessors.
9. In applying for an Alf van der Poorten Fellowship applicants agree that if they are successful then their names, a citation and photograph can be published on the web pages and in the journals of the Society and they agree to submit a report on their Fellowship after its conclusion.
10. The Alf van der Poorten Fellowships will be awarded, in the first instance, every year from 2011 to 2030. The amount of the award may be increased in consultation with the family of Alf van der Poorten.

AustMS support for Special Interest Meetings

Applications are now considered twice a year, at the start of June and the start of December. For 2013, closing dates are 5 June and 4 December.

If funding is being sought from both AustMS and AMSI, a single application should be made at www.amsi.org.au/component/content/article/881.

If funding is not being sought from AMSI, please use the application form available at www.austms.org.au/Special+Interest+Meetings and send it to the secretary at Secretary@austms.org.au.

AustMS Accreditation

Dr Timothy Trudgian of The Australian National University has been accredited as an Accredited Member (MAustMS).

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Peter Stacey joined La Trobe as a lecturer in 1975 and retired as an associate professor at the end of 2008. Retirement has enabled him to spend more time with his family while continuing with some research and some work on secondary school education. He took over as secretary of the Society at the start of 2010.