

## FELLOWS OF THE TROPICAL GRASSLAND SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA

The Society has much pleasure in announcing for 1985 the enrolment of two of its distinguished members as "Fellows of the Tropical Grassland Society of Australia". The Fellowship award of the Society was initiated this year and these two members are the first recipients.

### Elected T.G.S. Fellow 1985



JAMES SIDNEY  
PULSFORD

Jim Pulsford was born at Wyong, New South Wales and attended the Hurlstone Agricultural High School at Glenfield, Sydney from 1942 to 1946. He graduated from the University of Sydney in 1953 with a first class honours degree in Agricultural Science for agrostology research in the Lismore area. He worked with the New South Wales Department of Agriculture on the research staff of the Hawkesbury Agricultural College from 1953 to 1954. From 1954 to 1958 he was employed as an agricultural overseer in developing pasture improvement practices on four properties in the Bathurst, Oberon and Burruga area of New South Wales.

In March 1958 he joined ACF Shirleys Fertilizers Limited in Queensland as an Agrostologist, where he was mainly concerned with pasture nutrition in dairy areas and in the speargrass zone. He has held various research and extension positions with the fertilizer group. In 1973 he was promoted to Market Research Manager of Consolidated Fertilizers Limited, later INCITEC Ltd. Under his guidance the fertilizer companies with which he has been associated have supported and assisted with a large number of fertilizer and grazing experiments carried out by C.S.I.R.O., QDPI and the New South Wales Department of Agriculture.

Jim was a member of the C.S.I.R.O. Samford Advisory Committee and more recently has been appointed to the C.S.I.R.O. Division of Tropical Crops and Pastures Subtropical Region Advisory Committee. He has been a member of the Council of Queensland Agricultural College since 1976.

In 1985 he was a Consultant to the Agricultural Division of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific preparing a report on fertilizer use development in the region.

Jim was the Foundation President in 1963 of the Tropical Grasslands Society of Australia and Secretary from 1965 to 1968. He has continued an active association with the Society up to the present time.

In 1974 he was elected a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science. In 1979 he obtained a Master of Science degree from Griffith University (Science Technology and Society) for a thesis on the development of the Australian nitrogen fertilizer industry.

For his significant contribution to the research, development and utilisation of tropical pastures in Australia and overseas, the Tropical Grasslands Society of Australia is pleased to enrol him as a Fellow of the Society.

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**ROBERT EDGAR  
HARRISON**

Robert Harrison was born on a farm in Beaudesert. He attended the Church of England Grammar Schools in Toowoomba and Brisbane, and the University of Queensland. He graduated in 1955 with a Bachelor degree in Agricultural Science. After graduating he returned to the family farm to specialize in beef and milk production. Following the destruction of his cowshed, by a tornado, he now concentrates on beef production. In 1965, Robert was awarded a Nuffield Scholarship to study farm management in the U.K.

Robert is sought by the farmers of his district, by producer organisations and by education and research institutions. He was a member of the Council of Queensland Agricultural College from 1972 to 1979, and a member of the Advisory Committee for the Division of Tropical Crops and Pastures from 1975 to 1983.

In 1953 he completed a pasture review and detailed species identifications in the Wahgi Valley of Papua New Guinea. Stimulated by this success Robert has since completed consultancy missions in China, Indonesia, Iraq, Jordan, Malaysia, Nigeria, Oman, Philippines, Sabah, Saudi Arabia, Pakistan, New Caledonia, Kuwait, Syria, Qatar, U.A.E. Somalia, Mexico and Sudan. In 1977 he was awarded the Australian Medal of Agricultural Science by the Australian Institute of Agricultural Science for his practical contributions to Agriculture. Robert presented the T. H. Stobbs lecture in 1985.

Robert was a foundation member of the Tropical Grassland Society in 1963 and was President of the Society in 1969.

For his contribution to the development and utilisation of tropical pastures in Australia and overseas, the Tropical Grassland Society of Australia is pleased to enrol him as a Fellow of the Society.

