

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Tertiary Education: (a) B.App.Sc.(Rur.Tech.) Hons 1. Univ of Queensland, 1968-72
(b) Ph.D (New England); 1973-1979
(c) Certificate IV, Workplace Assessment & Training 2006
(d) Diploma, Institute of Company Directors 2007

Awards & Honours Churchill Fellowship 1990

Employment:

2001 – present: **Director, Rangelands Australia, and Professor of Rangeland Management** at The University of Queensland

1995 – 2001: **Research management** (ie, **Deputy Chief** and **Chief**, CSIRO Tropical Agriculture and CSIRO Tropical Crops & Pastures, Brisbane, Queensland).

1985 - 1995: **Research leadership** (ie. **Program Manager** and **Project Leader**, CSIRO Tropical Crops & Pastures, Brisbane)

1980 - 1985: **Research scientist** with CSIRO Wildlife and Rangelands Research, Darwin, Northern Territory.

1975-1979: **Teaching Fellow** in the Department of Ecosystem Management, University of New England, Armidale, Australia.

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- Research interests and skills:** Landscape and community ecology
Sustainable grazing and farming systems
Rangeland ecology and management
Adoption of environmental R&D
Community needs analysis and participatory research
- Communications**
- a) Publications:** Over 65 publications dealing with rangeland/savanna ecology and management, sustainable grazing systems, stakeholder perceptions of sustainability, and education and skills needs in the rangelands.
- b) Presentations:** Over 30 invited presentations in the last 5 years, including topics such as ‘Key personal attributes and areas of knowledge for future success in the rangelands’ and ‘Building capacity in Australia’s rangelands’, ‘Learning for a future in the bush’.
- Key committee and other professional responsibilities** (over the past ten years only)
- Director, Land & Water Resources R&D Corporation (LWRRDC), 1996-9.
 - Advisory Editor, Grass and Forage Science, 1996+
 - Member and Chairman of the Board, Agricultural Production Systems Research Unit (APSRU), 1996-2001.
 - Deputy Chairman, North Australia Beef Research Council (NABRC), 1995-2001; now an invited Observer, 2002+.
 - Member and Acting Chairman, Advisory Board of Central Queensland University’s Institute of Sustainable Regional Development, 1998-2001.
 - Member, Expert Panel for the Land Chapter of the 2002 and 2006 State of the Environment reports.
 - Member, Board of the Desert Knowledge Cooperative Research Centre (CRC), 2003+.
 - Chair, Desert Advisory Forum, Desert Knowledge CRC, 2003-5.
 - Member, Panel reviewing the Australian Rangeland Society’s publications, 2005.
 - Member, Council of the Australian Rangeland Society, 2007+
- Professional Memberships**
- Australian Institute of Company Directors
 - Australian Rangeland Society
 - Rural Press Club (Q)

* as at Dec 2007