



NOMINATIONS FOR THE SELIGMAN CRYSTAL AND THE RICHARDSON MEDAL

THE SELIGMAN CRYSTAL

The Seligman Crystal shall be awarded from time to time to one who has made an outstanding scientific contribution to glaciology so that the subject is now enriched.

There have been seven recipients since 2000. They are: Sam Colbeck (2000), Geoff Boulton (2001), Garry Clarke (2001), Kolumban Hutter (2003), Richard Alley (2005), Lonny Thompson (2007) and Paul Mayewski (2009). The full list of recipients can be found at <http://www.igsoc.org/awards/seligman/>.

The current Awards Committee wishes to maintain the tradition of making occasional awards of the Crystal to candidates who have made both an outstanding scientific contribution to glaciology and an enrichment of the subject. Nominations are solicited for individuals who have excelled in both areas, and who are recognised by their broad peer group for their achievements in both areas. Nominations should be in confidence and without the knowledge of the nominee. Nomination packages should include three elements: an abridged CV, a nomination letter and three other letters of support. The abridged CV should be created by the nominator for the purpose of complimenting the nomination and supporting letters, highlighting the principal achievements of the nominee throughout their career. The nomination letter should outline the case for an award, including the contribution that the nominee has made to the discipline in terms of academic leadership (highlighting the pivotal papers and including some citation analysis), training of the next generations of scientists, and the contribution that he/she has made to the organisation of national and international science. The letters of support could be multi-signatory if a large number of people wish to support the nomination. It seems sensible that a small group of younger scientists write one of these letters stating how the nominee has inspired and/or encouraged their career development.

Nominations should be sent to the Chair of the Awards Committee, copied to the Secretary General, and enquiries can be made to any of the Committee (see below). Awards are not made annually, but from time to time as the IGS Council believes in appropriate. Hence, there is no annual deadline for nominations. The timing of the nomination should be dictated by the eminence of the nominee and the activation energy of the nominators.

Nominations will be considered periodically by the Awards Committee, and recommendations will be made to the IGS Council when appropriate. Unsuccessful nominations will carry forward to the next period of consideration, for a maximum of five years after receipt. Thereafter they will lapse. The Chair of the Nominations Committee will contact the nominator from time to time to provide information about the status of the nomination.

THE RICHARDSON MEDAL

The Richardson Medal is awarded from time to time in recognition of outstanding service contributions to the International Glaciological Society and to glaciology.

The Medal will be awarded normally to members of the International Glaciological Society, although this is not a strict requirement of the award. The term 'service' is to be interpreted broadly and is not exclusively restricted to service to the Society, although such service should receive greatest weight. Examples of outstanding service contributions could include service to the Society, scientific editorial service to Society publications, noteworthy contributions to the international outreach of the Society, educational service (e.g. the writing of an influential text book), institutional service (e.g. establishing or maintaining a world-class scientific research centre), organisation of pivotal symposia, authorship of landmark international glaciological reports and promotional services to scientific glaciology (e.g. through communications media).

There have been six recipients of the medal to date: Hilda Richardson (1993), Doug MacAyeal (1997), Garry Clarke (1998), John Heap (2000), Simon Ommanney (2003), Jo Jacka (2010)

The current Awards Committee wishes to maintain the tradition of making occasional awards of the Medal to candidates who have made outstanding service contributions to the International Glaciological Society and to international glaciology in general. Nominations are solicited for individuals who have excelled in either or both areas, and who are recognised by their broad peer group for their achievements in either or both areas. Nominations should be in confidence and without the knowledge of the nominee. Nomination packages should include three elements: an abridged CV, a nomina-

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