

**AUSTRALIAN
HOLISTIC
MANAGEMENT
CO-OPERATIVE**

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‘Promoting Holistic Management to enable thriving lives and landscapes’

**MEMBERSHIP PACK: JOINING THE AUSTRALIAN
HOLISTIC MANAGEMENT CO-OPERATIVE LTD**



Annual ecological monitoring



Events – education and support



Grazing animals regenerating land

Established as a Co-operative in 2018, the AHMC is owned and controlled by its members, and is a distributing Co-op when there is a surplus. The AHMC is one of fifty international Savory Hubs, and provides members with education, support, events and mentoring. Members can choose to do annual ecological monitoring, and if their landscape function improves they obtain Ecological Outcome Verification (EOV). With EOV, members can apply for a Land to Market seal for their products or join a supply chain.

FULL MEMBER BENEFITS

Support	
Newsletter	Yes
Promotion	Yes – OPT IN
Industry News	Yes
Campaigns	Yes
Events – Regional/Conference	Discounted tickets
Webinars – 2 per month	Deep Dig – Topic Webinar Troubleshooting – Q&A
Education Offering	Holistic Management foundations – online FREE Holistic decision making – FREE Holistic Management planning – online \$165 inc GST Regional F2F grazing and financial workshops – \$275 inc GST
Business Listing	Yes – OPT IN. A register for members to help each other with their skills and products
EOV Eligible	Yes – OPT IN
L2M Seal	Yes – Access to Land to Market (L2M) Seal when you obtain EOV
Shares	Yes – Min 3 @\$200 each
Vote	Yes – 1 Vote per member regardless of number of shares

AUSTRALIAN HOLISTIC MANAGEMENT CO-OPERATIVE DOCUMENTS

See the [2023 Annual Report](#). Members must agree to be bound by the [Rules of the Co-operative 2023](#).

1.3A Primary activities of the Co-operative are:

1. Facilitate services that support the implementation of Holistic Management.
2. Provide services for the ecological monitoring and regeneration of agricultural land.
3. Promotion of produce from land where ecological monitoring and regenerative agriculture is taking place, including the development, control and marketing of a recognisable brand.

1.3B Active membership – In order to establish and maintain active membership of the Co-operative a member must:

1. Pay the annual subscription in accordance with rule 3.1A and each financial year,
2. Attend or participate in at least 1 event or initiative of the co-operative, or
3. Complete a survey issued by the co-operative that includes the collection of information about the variety of products and expected volumes they will produce, or
4. Have ecological outcome verification (EOV) conducted on their verifiable land.

2.1 Member Qualifications – To qualify for membership of the Co-operative the applicant:

- genuinely supports the expansion of regenerative agricultural practices with a focus on holistic approaches to improve ecological function in our landscapes,
- gives preferential supply, where reasonably practicable and in the member's interest, to market partners approved by the co-operative, and
- is able to use or contribute to the services of the co-operative.

As AHMC is a Co-operative, you need to apply for membership, which is then approved by the Board, so please allow up to one month regarding approval. In this application we collect information to foster an understanding of our membership to tailor business opportunities. The information collected is for internal use only and any collated data will be anonymous.

MEMBERSHIP FEES & SHARES SCHEDULE

Current Full Member fee is \$900 + \$100 joining fee + GST from July to June annually. New memberships are pro-rated to June. The AHMC is a distributing Co-op when there is a surplus.

Shares: The minimum requirement is 3 shares at \$200 each – \$600 (no GST on shares).

- Shareholders only have 1 vote regardless of how many shares purchased.

Conditions for Corporate or Joint Members:

- Corporate or Joint members are entitled to only 1 vote – the first named person is able to exercise the vote in the event of a dispute.
- Shareholders only have 1 vote regardless of how many shares purchased.

[LINK TO MEMBERSHIP FORM](#)

ECOLOGICAL OUTCOME VERIFICATION MONITORING SERVICE

In the Membership Application you will be asked if you want to OPT INTO the EOVS monitoring service. This offers:

- An annual monitoring service on your farm with an accredited (EOV) monitor. In the lead-up to your monitoring event you will be contacted by your monitor, who will explain how long the monitoring will take. One day is usually enough time unless the property is particularly large.
- Long-term and short-term monitoring occurs in Year 0 and Year 5, and in years 1 to 4 only short-term monitoring takes place.
- An EOVS Monitoring report which will indicate whether your land is improving or not for each monitoring event.
- If your landscape function is improving you will obtain Ecological Outcome Verification (EOV).
- With the Verification you can then apply to obtain the Land to Market seal (brand) for your products. [Land to Market \(L2M\)](#) offers branding for your value-added products to be sold directly to customers and/or into supply chains.
- We offer all members access to various educational courses, support services and regional groups so members can explore their management options for improving landscape function for the following year's monitoring event and for regenerating the land longer-term.
- We encourage people who OPT IN to EOVS Monitoring to be open to adapting management decisions and practices after each monitoring event, to get the best possible outcome for your land.

EOVS Monitoring Fees: the EOVS Monitoring service is OPT IN. The fees will depend on how many monitoring sites are required for your property. The following figures are a guide only:

- Baseline year 0, *average* cost is \$4500
- Over years 1-4, subsequent short-term monitoring, *average* cost is \$1500 per year
- Long-term monitoring in year 5, *average* cost is \$5000

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