Rare Breeds Trust of Australia
Terry Heiner Youth Grant Funding Program

Funding Guidelines for Applicants

1. Introduction

The Rare Breeds Trust of Australia set up the Terry Heiner Youth Grant Funding Program to support young people aged 16-25 gain experience, knowledge and skills in breeding and husbandry of rare livestock breeds in Australia.

2. Eligibility

Applicants are to:

- Be aged between 16 and 25 years of age. Applicants under 18 need to have their application signed by a parent or guardian.
- Be a member of the Rare Breeds Trust of Australia (Junior or Individual); or a named child of in a Family membership:
  or alternatively take up membership as a condition of any approved grant funding.
- Have regular access to a breed listed on the Rare Breeds Trust of Australia rare breeds lists.

Applications need to be relevant to a breed listed on the Rare Breeds Trust of Australia rare breeds lists.

IN RECOGNITION OF TERRY HEINER

Terry Heiner was a dedicated member of the Rare Breeds Trust of Australia. When Terry came across a newsletter of the Rare Breeds Trust he was instantly in tune with its aims and took out a membership. Terry believed it was important to maintain a wide variety of animal bloodlines for future generations to appreciate the diversity of the animal world and the diversity of the produce of farmed animals. He and his life partner would buy small goods, cheeses, yoghurt and the like from rare breed producers to support their ventures.

Travel was something Terry loved and whether travelling around Australia, New Zealand or visiting his extended family in the Pacific Northwest, USA, it always included visits to zoos, farms and national parks to view animals in their natural habitat.

The Terry Heiner Youth Microgrant Funding Program is made possible through a generous bequest from Terry Heiner's estate

3. Grant level

- Up to $1,000 per grant.
- One grant is available each year.

4. Eligible cost items examples

- Conference and seminar costs, including travel and accommodation costs.
- Formal education costs and/or mentoring costs.
- On-farm placement/mentoring costs.
- Other relevant costs including equipment and software, but not including excluded Items.

5. Non eligible (excluded) cost items

- Textbooks
- Telephone costs.
- Computer purchase.
- Internet costs.
- Clothing.
- On farm animal feed and housing
- Show entry fees.
- Gene Bank costs.
- Any expenditure incurred prior to the approved grant. Eligible costs are only those incurred during the timeframe of the implementation of the activity or project as set out in the Funding Agreement for approved grants.



Animals were always happy to be around Terry.

6. How to apply

Contact Letisha Johnson, the Youth Grants Coordinator, to talk over your project idea. Email jakalahstud@gmail.com. If you decide to proceed, you will be asked to complete a simple application form, including identification of a referee.

7. Useful background information

7.1 Selection criteria

- **Essential (all required)**
  - Your Activity or Project is to have tangible value for the support of the rare breed(s) identified in your application.
  - Your Activity or Project will build your capacity (skills, information).
  - Your Activity or Project is achievable:
    - In the identified time frame;
    - With the resources available to you (access to animals, other funding, etc).
  - Your Referee reports is positive.
- **Desirable**
  - The Activity or Project will yield useful information that can be shared with the broader rare breeds community.

7.2 Funding principles

- **Relevance**: Only rare breeds on the Trust listings are eligible for consideration.
- **Breed Support**: Activities or Projects are to have value for maintaining breeder expertise and knowledge in sustaining and building breed numbers.
- **Confidentiality:** Applications and referee reports are confidential to the Board of the Rare Breeds Trust of Australia and members of the Selection Panel.

- **Transparency**: Actual or potential conflicts of interest are to be declared (for example the applicant is a family member of a Trust Director, a family member of the applicant is providing services that will be funded through the grant).
- **Accountability**: A funding agreement is to be entered into with some reporting required.
- **Funding Decision is Final**: There is no appeal process for non-approved applications.

7.3 Approved applicant requirements

Approved applicants are to:

- Sign an agreement prior to provision of funding. In the case of approved applicants aged 16 or 17 years of age, the funding agreement is to be signed by a parent or legal guardian.
- If not already a member, take up membership of the Trust.
- Recognise Rare Breeds Trust of Australia funding as appropriate to the activity or project.
- Provide receipts for approved expenditure at the completion of the activity or project.
- Provide a mini-report to the Rare Breeds Trust of Australia Board half way through the Project or Activity implementation.
- Provide a short final report, including relevant photos, to the Rare Breeds Trust of Australia Board that is suitable for distribution to Trust members through the Trust Newsletter.