

IJWF Outstanding Associate Editor Award 2016

GEOFF CARY

Dr Geoff Cary is the winner of the Outstanding Editor Award of the *International Journal of Wildland Fire* for 2016. Please join us in congratulating Geoff for his many years of excellent service to the journal, both as an Associate Editor (since 2002) and as a member of the Editorial Advisory Committee (since 2009).

Geoff is Associate Professor in wildland fire (bushfire) science in the Fenner School of Environment and Society at the Australian National University (ANU). He has held this position since 1996, previously as Lecturer and Senior Lecturer. Geoff was awarded a Bachelor of Applied Science (Environmental Biology) (Honours) from the University of Technology, Sydney, and a PhD in the topic of landscape fire modelling from ANU.

Geoff's research interests include: evaluating fire management and climate change impacts on fire regimes using landscape-scale simulation; ecological investigation of interactions between fire and biota from genes to communities; empirical analysis of house loss in wildland fire; and laboratory experimentation of fire behaviour. Geoff co-leads, with Dr Bob Keane (US Forest Service) and Professor Mike Flannigan (University of Alberta), an international group of landscape-scale wildland fire simulation modellers. He gave a keynote address on the effect of fuel treatment on house loss in wildfires at the Wildland Fire Canada Conference (Kananaskis, Canada) in 2012, and has given invited conference and lecture presentations in China, Japan, the Netherlands, Spain, UK, USA and Australia. He has been awarded research funding from the Australian Research Council, the Bushfire Cooperative Research Centre, and the Bushfire and Natural Hazards Cooperative Research Centre.

Geoff specialises in teaching bushfire dynamics and management at ANU, including convening 'Fire in the Environment', co-convening 'Weather, Climate and Fire', and contributing to a range of other courses. Geoff supervises honours and graduate scholars investigating diverse wildland fire topics including post-fire dynamics of plant and bird communities, political and cultural



history of Indigenous burning in Australia, and a wide range of bushfire simulation topics. He has received an ANU 'Top Supervisor' award and an ANU College Supervision Award.

As mentioned, Geoff has been a member of the Editorial Advisory Committee since 2009, and an Associate Editor since 2002, of the *International Journal of Wildland Fire*, and a member of the International Association of Wildland Fire since 2002. He has served on the NSW Parks and Wildlife Advisory Council and the Federal Science Minister's Bushfire Research Advisory Group. He managed the PhD and MPhil program in the Fenner School, ANU, as Associate Director for Higher Degree Research in 2010 and 2011.

We are pleased to add the 2016 IJWF Outstanding Editor Award to his impressive list of achievements, and we thank him most sincerely for his exceptional service to the *International Journal of Wildland Fire*.