

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

Joining the AHMC

No matter what tools or practices you use to revive your landscape, grow healthy produce, or create a thriving family farm, the Australian Holistic Management Co-operative can help you at every stage.

Established as a Co-operative in 2018, the AHMC is owned and controlled by its members. It is one of fifty international Savory Hubs, and provides members with education, support, events and mentoring. Members can opt-in to do annual ecological monitoring, and if their landscape function improves they obtain Ecological Outcome Verification (EOV), and can apply for Land to Market branding.

FULL MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

Support	Newsletter Website Directory Social Media Promotion Monthly Deep Dig Webinar Monthly Troubleshooting Q&A	Yes Yes – Opt-in Yes – Opt-in Online – FREE Online – FREE
Events and Education	Holistic Management Foundations Holistic Decision Making Holistic Management Planning Knowledge into Practice Field Days Grazing & Financial Workshops Regional Meetings & Conferences	Online – FREE Online – FREE Online (\$99 inc GST in 2024) Member Discount of 25% Member Discount of 25% Member Discount of 25%
Services	Ecological Verification (EOV) Monitoring Land to Market Seal and Supply Chains	Yes – Opt-in If EOV verified, support for branding application to Land to Market
Rights	Co-op Shares Co-op Voting	Yes (minimum 3 at \$200 each) Yes (1 vote per member regardless of share total)

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.

FEE STRUCTURE

Upon joining, members buy shares in the Co-op, pay a one-off admin fee and a pro-rata membership fee. In following years, on a July to June basis, members pay only the membership fee (so joining towards the end of a Financial Year offers an advantage). Members can optionally take part in EOV monitoring.

Membership Fees

- Membership runs from July to June annually.
- New membership fees are pro-rated to June at \$82.50 per month (inc GST).
- The AHMC is a distributing Co-operative when there is a surplus.
- The minimum share requirement is 3 shares at \$200 each = \$600 (no GST on shares).
- Shareholders only have 1 vote regardless of how many shares are purchased.
- Corporate or Joint members are entitled to only 1 vote, cast by the first named person.

Membership	Annual	Admin	Shares
First Year	\$990 (inc GST) pro rata to end financial year	\$110 (inc GST)	\$600 (no GST)
Annually, July to June	\$990 (inc GST)		

EOV Monitoring Fees (Optional)

Ecological Outcome Verification monitoring is an *opt-in service*. EOV scientifically measures trends over time in the health of farmlands. One day is usually enough time for monitoring 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. If ecological health is *verified to be improving*, members may apply to take part in global Land to Market branding of their products. Should ecological health not improve, the Co-op can offer a wealth of information and experience to help out.

Total monitoring fees depend upon how many sites are required for a property. As a guideline only:

Optional EOV	Long-Term Monitoring	Short-Term Monitoring
Year 0 Baseline	\$4500 (average)	
Year 1		\$1500 (average)
Year 2		\$1500 (average)
Year 3		\$1500 (average)
Year 4		\$1500 (average)
Year 5	\$5000 (average)	

[**LINK TO MEMBERSHIP FORM**](#)

As AHMC is a Co-operative you need to apply for membership to be approved by the Board, so please allow up to one month for application processing. We collect information to understand our membership in order to tailor further business opportunities. Information is for internal use only and any collated data will be anonymised.