$10,000 Mountain Cattlemen’s scholarship available

FOR the first time ever the Mountain Cattlemen’s Association of Victoria (MCAV) is offering a $10,000 Research Grant to help those looking to better manage the High Country Landscape.

Approved by the MCAV Board during 2022, the Research Grant is designed to help finance projects that can be applied to everyday management techniques.

“The project does not need to promote the MCAV cause, but should contribute to the MCAV’s objective of better land management and/or enhancing the recognition of the High Country’s early pioneers,” MCAV president, Bruce McCormack, explained.

“The grant may be used to cover the costs of setting up or completing a new project or to enhance the findings of a project already underway.”

Although the MCAV has previously offered scholarships for Indigenous Firestick workshops, it is the first time the organisation has provided an open ended grant opportunity.

“We are really excited to see what projects could potentially come out of this,” Mr McCormack said.

“We are hoping to make an impact landscape wide, rather than just in small areas of the High County.

“And although the scholarship is for $10,000, we are open to providing more funds if necessary.”

Unlike other grants, the program is available to those both in – and out – of university.

“We would equally love to see someone on the ground take this up,” Mr McCormack said. “Someone who works for Parks or DELWP or another organisation, or even a High Country farmer who has this great idea to eradicate weeds, for example.

“This grant is not just for university students, it’s for anyone who has a great idea that will help better manage the High Country.”

A full copy of the Research Grant application is available by emailing secretary@mcav.com.au, or by looking at the MCAV website [www.mcav.com.au](http://www.mcav.com.au)