

Astronomy Australia Ltd

Member update

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AAL's context

NCA's 2006 Decadal Plan called for:

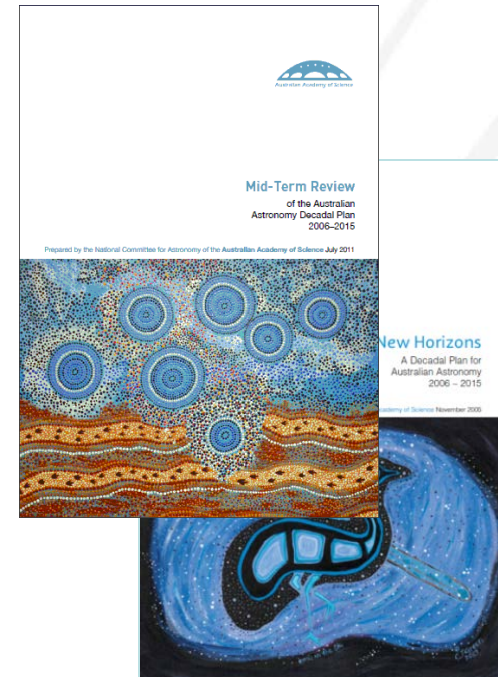
“A peak body to coordinate Australia’s astronomical activities and to represent it in international partnerships.”

AAL Vision:

Astronomers in Australia will have access to the best astronomical research infrastructure.

AAL Mission:

- Engage with Australian astronomers to advance the national research infrastructure priorities of the decadal plan.
- Advise the Australian Government on future investments.
- Manage investments.





What is AAL?

Vision: Astronomers in Australia will have access to the best astronomical research infrastructure.





Member Representatives

AAO
Australian National University
CSIRO
Curtin University
Macquarie University
Monash University
Swinburne University
University of Adelaide
University of Melbourne
University of New South Wales
University of Queensland
University of Sydney
University of Tasmania
University of Western Australia

A/Prof Andrew Hopkins
Prof Matthew Colless
Dr Simon Johnston
Prof Steven Tingay
Prof Quentin Parker
Prof Alexander Heger
Prof Karl Glazebrook
Dr Gavin Rowell
Prof Rachel Webster
Prof John Storey
Prof Halina Rubinsztein-Dunlop
Prof Peter Tuthill
Prof John Dickey
Prof Peter Quinn

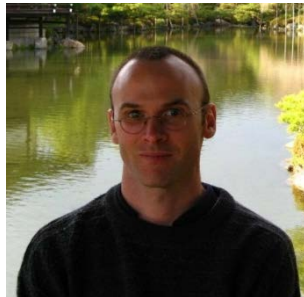
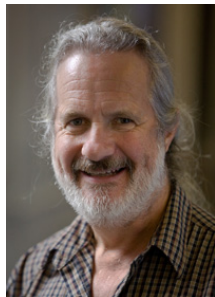


Community Representation

AAL members elect the Board



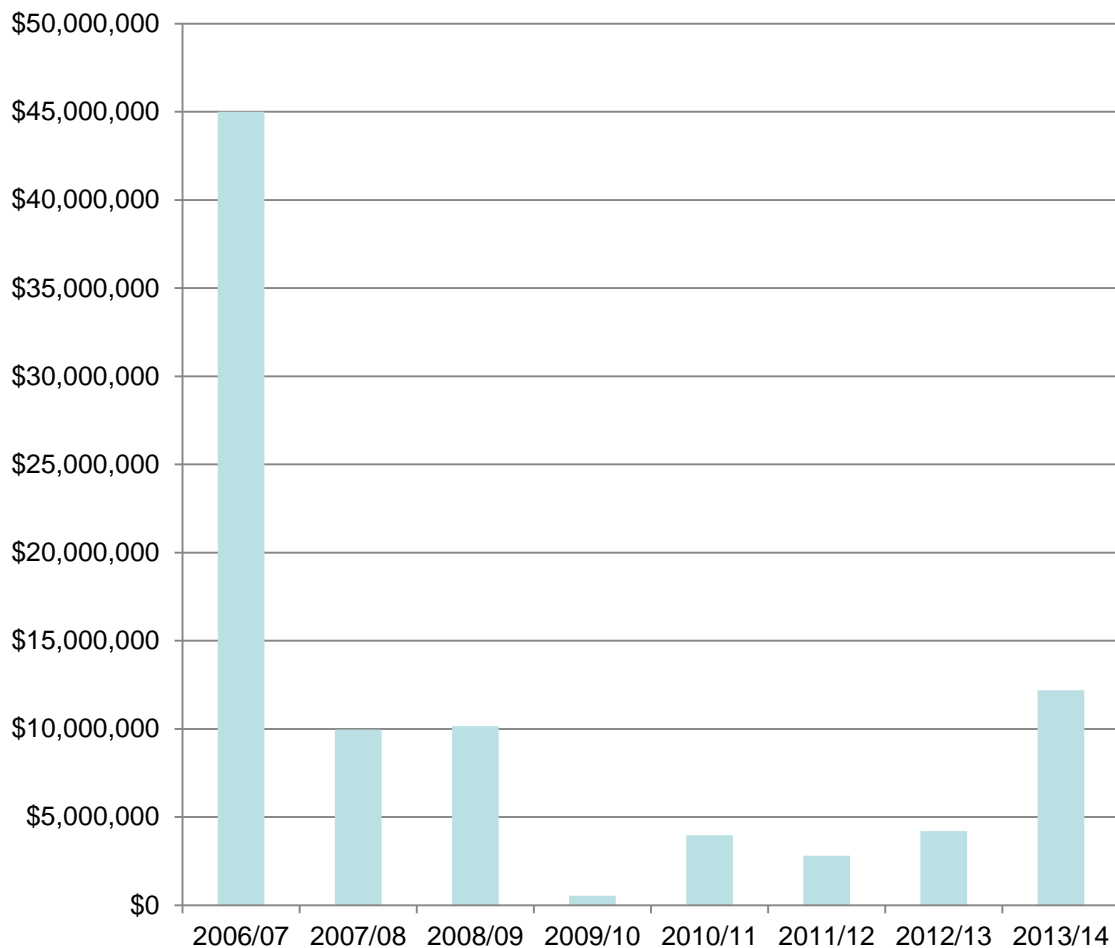
AAL Committees appointed by the Board



Vacancies advertised Aug-Sept each year



Grants awarded to AAL



NCRIS2

ASKAP & MWA	\$6.63M
8m-access	\$4.30M
AAT	\$0.54M
GMT	\$0.00M
eResearch	\$0.19M
Antarctica	\$0.10M
Pierre Auger	\$0.05M
AAL	\$0.37M
Total	\$12.18M



AAL-supported projects and facilities



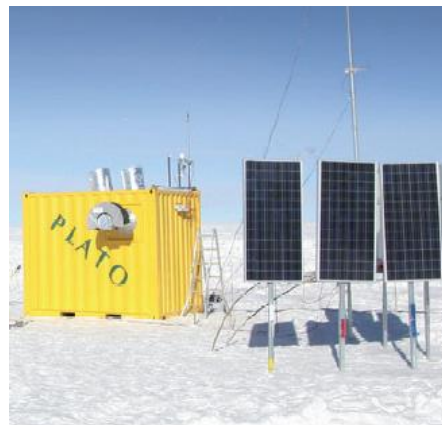
Optical



Radio



eResearch



Antarctica

Operational facilities:

- Gemini & Magellan access
- MWA
- High-Performance Computing
- PLATOs

Projects:

- Giant Magellan Telescope
- HERMES & AAOmega upgrade
- ATCA C/X upgrade
- ASKAP
- All-Sky Virtual Observatory
- Pierre Auger cloud detectors

Thank You

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