



“Weeds have no boundaries”

The 17th NSW Biennial Weeds Conference will be held in Corowa, 9-12 September 2013. This conference is regarded as the premier event in NSW to discuss noxious and environmental weeds and related vegetation issues. The organising committee are pleased to advise that Dr Tony Grice, CSIRO, Townsville will be one of the Keynote Speakers at the conference.

Conference information can be obtained online at www.nswweedsconference2013.com or contact Rachel Robinson-Minogue, Corowa Shire, 02 6033 3221, 0418572849 or Rachel.Minogue@corowa.nsw.gov.au

Buerckner & Stephenson Awards

The Society is calling for nominations for the NSW Buerckner & Stephenson Local Government Weed Professional Awards, to be presented at the 17th NSW Biennial Weeds Conference.

The **Buerckner Award** – for outstanding contribution to the on-ground control of weeds in NSW.

The **Stephenson Award** – for outstanding contribution to planning and managing weed management programs in NSW.

Details and forms for each Award are available from:

www.nswweedsconference2013.com or www.nswweedsoc.org.au.

Weed Society Travel Study Grants

Due 1st May 2013

Applications are invited for attending national or international conferences, or for specific overseas study tours of a short duration. Applicants must be over 18 years old, reside in New South Wales or the ACT, be involved with weed research, management, advisory, regulation or practice, and have been a current member of the Society for at least one year.

Grants will be made by 1st July for travel during the following 12 months. Applications for awards or grants to attend a conference are expected to be supported by an abstract of the paper being presented. On return, successful applicants are expected to provide a report to the Society for publication in *The Good Weed*.

Application forms at: www.nswweedsoc.org.au

Welcome to the inaugural edition of the Society's electronic newsletter. As the name would imply, this e-letter is intended to be a collection of short, interesting articles to help keep our membership up to date with weed related activities in between publications of our printed newsletter, *A Good Weed*.

The e-letter will be a maximum of two pages, so articles will need to be brief. Please include contact details so readers know where to obtain more information.

While this volume is dominated by Society activities, we would love to have one or two paragraph contributions from members, or even non-members for that matter! If it has something to do with weeds and may be of interest to Society members, this e-letter will be a great way to distribute information.

Any other suggestions on how to improve the services provided by the Society, or the range of activities the Society supports, would be most welcome.

Happy Weeding.
Rex Stanton, President

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Website Update

The society is in the process of reviewing their website. It is hoped to increase the depth of material available through the site and streamline the current maintenance practices. Amongst the suggested improvements are ideas such as loading all past newsletters back to the very first edition in 1966, and to create a conference page as a means of promoting upcoming NSW biennial conferences, as well as hosting past proceedings.

Please have a look at the current website www.nswweedsoc.org.au and if you have any ideas or suggestions contact: Alan Murphy, Secretary, secretary@nswweedsoc.org.au.

'A Good Weed' - material needed for Autumn Issue #62

Deadline 28th February 2013

How about providing material for the newsletter?

The editors would like local and regional news about people and events, new emerging weed species, weed management issues, bushland regeneration, bushcare programs, weed research summaries, noxious weeds, legislative issues and book reviews.

Contact: Lawrie Greenup editor@nswweedsoc.org.au

Claim the date

2013 Sydney Region weed professionals forum

Proposed date: mid October 2013

Examples of topics: Managing the highest risk weeds across greater Sydney, new weeds that might show up here, latest research, case studies, balancing weed control with protecting habitat, new chemicals and trials, changes in NSW policy and legislation.

Audience: local/state/federal govt agency officers responsible for weed management across Sydney, private contractor companies, NGOs, academics etc

Contact: Rosanna Luca, Sydney Weeds Action Project
Phone 02 9895 7488 (Wed – Fri)

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Image of the Month

This image won the 2011 Photographic Contest conducted at the 2011 NSW Biennial Weeds Conference. Hillary Cherry captured this image of bitou bush, at Barrenjoey Headland, Sydney.

Hillary wanted to capture the 'threat' of bitou bush to coastal areas, so tried to include the beach (sand) and the ocean, as well as attempting to include a close up of leaves (and sand) for scale.

For all budding photographers: Start thinking about capturing some weed related photographs, as there will be opportunity to submit photographs for the Photographic Contest to be run in conjunction with the 2013 NSW Biennial Weeds Conference. This conference will be held in picturesque Corowa, 9-12 September 2013.

Details will soon be available from the conference website:

www.nswweedsconference2013.com

For contributions, please contact - editor@nswweedsoc.org.au

2013 submission dates for material are:
#002 - 15 April 2013
#003 - 15 July 2013
#004 - 14 October 2013