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Welcome members to the 4th edition of the Punnet Tray.

The Society would love members to contribute one or two paragraphs about anything to do with weeds that may be of interest to Society members as this e-newsletter 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*. This is 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

Kim Hignell - Vice President

**Have you  
renewed your  
Membership  
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## 48th Annual General Meeting - Hunter Valley Wine Country

The Weed Society of New South Wales Inc. will be holding its Annual General Meeting at Harrigans Irish Pub & Accommodation, Broke Road Polkolbin near Cessnock on Thursday 21 November 2013 at 11:00am.

The agenda will include the elections of Office Bearers being the President, Vice President, Secretary, Assistance Secretary, Treasurer, Public Officer, Newsletter Editors, CAWS Delegates and Management Committee.

Morning Tea on arrival with the AGM starting at 11:00am followed by a luncheon with an A La Carte menu at 12:30pm then there is an optional garden tour of the Hunter Valley Gardens at 2:00pm.

**All members are welcome**

## Australian Association of Bush Regenerators membership now open to everyone!

For the past 25 years, the Australian Association of Bush Regenerators (AABR) membership has been restricted to professional bush regenerators. Now AABR is opening membership to everyone interested and involved in ecological restoration and offering separate accreditation for skilled practitioners.

The Association held a recent seminar for supporters, members and industry professionals to encourage more participation in bush regeneration. For more information on the work of the AABR and how you can be involved, check out the website: <http://www.aabr.org.au/>

## Review of Weed Management in NSW

The Minister for Primary Industries, Katrina Hodgkinson has requested the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) to undertake an independent evaluation of the effectiveness and efficiency of weed management arrangements in NSW with a view to inform the further development of the proposed NSW Biosecurity Act, and other relevant strategies under the NSW Biosecurity Strategy.

### Have your say on the Issue Paper:

The purpose of the Issues Paper is to:

- clarify priority issues
- get stakeholder and community views about barriers and opportunities for more effective weed management
- seek to identify any additional issues
- identify relevant evidence to inform the review.

The Issues Paper and instructions for making a submission can be found at the following link:

<http://engage.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/weed-management-review>

## Upcoming Conferences and Seminars

### Special International Workshop on Weeds & Invasive Plants Spain - 24 to 28 June 2014

The workshop is co-organised by the ANdiNA group of international weed/invasive plant scientists and the European Weed Research Society. So, we invite both the youth and the experienced members of the weed research community to come together in the Spanish Pyrenees in June 2014 for an experience that will hopefully change both your future and that of weed research.

For further information please visit their website

<http://andinallanos.weebly.com/index.html>



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SAVE THE DATE  
**19th Australasian  
Weeds Conference**  
**Hobart, Tasmania**  
**1-4 Sept 2014**

Science, Community and  
Food Security: the Weed Challenge  
[www.australasianweeds2014.com.au](http://www.australasianweeds2014.com.au)



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The Editor would love members to provide some material for the summer edition of our newsletter. Contributions to A Good Weed is a great way to show a local issue to a state-wide audience. Please send your material to [The Editor](#) by the deadline of 30 November 2013.

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