



A very Weeping Willow | Image: J. Biddle

Welcome members to the 6th 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 - President

## Membership subscriptions for 2014 are now due.

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### Review of Weed Management in NSW

The Natural Resources Commission (NRC) released a draft report in February outlining findings and recommendations for its review of weed management in NSW. The draft report has been informed by research, consultation and over 200 public submissions in response to the initial issues paper that was released in October 2013. After consultation on the draft report, the final report will be prepared for the Minister for Primary Industries by late May 2014. On behalf of all members, the Weed Society of NSW sent in a submission with all recommendations supplied by our members. Thank you to all members who participated in this review.

### 19th Australasian Weeds Conference

Science, Community and  
Food Security: the Weed Challenge

Hotel Grand Chancellor, Hobart - 1-4 Sept 2014  
[www.australasianweeds2014.com.au](http://www.australasianweeds2014.com.au)



### Keynote Speakers:



DANIEL  
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### Preliminary Program out NOW!

To view please visit [www.australasianweeds2014.com.au](http://www.australasianweeds2014.com.au)

### Field Trips:



1. Agricultural Field Day:  
Southern Midlands & Coar River Valley



2. Weed culture in the wilds of Hobart:  
Mt Wellington, Rivulet & MONA



3. Southern weeds and island cheese:  
Kingborough, the Huon Valley & Bruny Island



4. Weeds in a post-bushfire landscape  
an Expedition to the East:  
Sorell, Dunally & Pittwater/Orielton



Have a question? Contact us!

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Go to <http://australasianweeds2014.com.au/> for further details.

## Upcoming Conferences and Seminars

### 2014 National Landcare Conference, 17-19 September, 2014, held at Crown Conference Centre, Melbourne

This year's National Landcare Conference promises to be an exciting celebration of 25 years of Landcare as a national program with a focus on the future and what this means for Landcare, with a program based on the theme - Celebrating our history - growing our future.

Visit [the Landcare Online](http://the Landcare Online) website for further information.

### Weed Society of NSW Travel Study Grants Applications close on 1st June 2014

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 *A Good Weed*. Application forms at: [SocietyTravel Grant](http://SocietyTravel Grant).

### Weed Society of NSW Website Report

The majority of visitors first accessed our website via the homepage. The *conference* page was the next most popular starting page (thanks largely to the links on the conference website), followed by the *student* page. *Publications* and *contact us* also were important first points of contact.

Ninety percent (90%) of all visits were from Australia, with the United States, the United Kingdom and India being the most dominant of the 22 foreign countries. Seventy seven percent (77%) of Australian visitors were from NSW, with Queensland and Victoria being the best represented of the other states and territories. Our website is at [the Weed Society of New South](http://the Weed Society of New South)

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The Editor would love members to provide some material for the winter 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 at [editor@nswweedsoc.org.au](mailto:editor@nswweedsoc.org.au) by the deadline of the 28 May 2014



For Punnet Tray contributions, please contact the editor at [editor@nswweedsoc.org.au](mailto:editor@nswweedsoc.org.au)

Submissions date for the next edition:  
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