

The Weed Society of New South Wales Inc.

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Punnet Tray

eNewsletter



Getting that shot | Image: M. Benham

Welcome members to the 8th 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.

This is the last Punnet Tray for the year and so I hope that you all have a safe festive period and have a great new year.

Happy weeding

Kim Hignell - President

**Membership
subscriptions
for 2014 are
now overdue.**

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Our Seminar Tamworth Agricultural Institute – Conference Room 20 November 2014

'Weeds and other Invasive Species — Common Objectives'

This years AGM will be held in conjunction with our seminar, 'Weeds and other Invasive Species—Common Objectives', to be held in Tamworth on the 20 November 2014 starting at 9:30am.

The seminar will look at some of our invasive animal species affecting NSW followed by a BBQ lunch. The afternoon program is a discussion about whether the Weed Society of NSW should expand its scope to include member events that address pest animal issues.



RSVP: birgitte.verbeek@dpi.nsw.gov.au or phone (02) 67631247 by Friday 7th November 2014.

Annual General Meeting Tamworth Agricultural Institute – Conference Room 20 November 2014

The Annual General Meeting is to be held at Tamworth Agricultural Institute—Conference Room starting at 4:00pm following our Seminar. For AGM information send email to secretary@nswweedsoc.org.au

The AGM dinner will be held at Cascarda Restaurant starting at 6:30pm. There is a your choice, two course menu for \$41.00 per head. For information about the dinner and menu contact Birgitte on birgitte.verbeek@dpi.nsw.gov.au

\$11.3 million in new funding

At an event in June in September, Katrina Hodgkinson, the NSW Minister for Primary Industries, announced the full list of regional and state projects that will benefit from funding for ongoing noxious weed control as part of the government's Weed Action Program.

The minister highlighted how this funding program has allowed for research and implementation of novel noxious weed control methods, including DNA barcoding to readily identify invasive weeds, and the **Red Guide Post Initiative** which helps with the management and control of road-side weeds in high-risk areas.

For more information, please refer to the http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0011/528563/20140904-WAR-ON-WEEDS-RAMPS-UP-MORE-FUNDING-AND-RESPONSE-TO-NRC-REVIEW-ANNOUNCED.pdf

Update your Information

Because our newsletter *A Good Weed* is not available online, can all members please update your residential address for the posting of our wonderful newsletter and other official society mailings. This also goes for this publication *Punnet Tray* if you are changing your email address please let us know. To update, send an email to secretary@nswweedsoc.org.au or mail to PO Box 438 Wahroonga NSW 2076.

Upcoming Conferences and Seminars

Australasian Systematic Botany Society Conference
24-28 November 2014
Massey University, Palmerston North New Zealand



Our theme for the meeting will be 'Next-generation Systematics' which includes approaching systematics from different perspectives, the use of new technologies, and even training the next generation of practicing systematists. We look forward to diverse presentations of projects from Australasia and around the world. Further information, go to <http://www.massey.ac.nz/~itate/ASBS2014NZ.htm>

23rd NSW Coastal Conference 2014
11-14 November 2014, Ulladulla, NSW



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See more at: <http://www.coastalconference.com/default.asp>

Save the Date

18th NSW Weeds Conference

to be held in Cooma NSW on
12th—15th October 2015



 **Department of Primary Industries** **Centenary of the Trangie Agricultural Research Centre Celebration - Open Day**
When

14th Feb 2015 11:00am-3:00pm

Where

Trangie Agricultural Research Centre, Mitchell Highway, Trangie

Further information go to <http://www.trade.nsw.gov.au/events/agriculture/centenary-of-the-trangie-agricultural-research-centre-celebration-open-day>

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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 at editor@nswweedsoc.org.au by the deadline of the 30 November 2014.



For Punnet Tray contributions, please contact the editor at editor@nswweedsoc.org.au

Submissions date for the next edition:
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