

THE WEED SOCIETY/ OF NEW SOUTH WALES

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Coming Events

Symposium: "History of Weed Research in Australia", 11th August, 1972. Please note previous newsletter gave wrong date. At the last committee meeting a programme was drafted and includes 'Early Weed Research Work'; 'Organisation of Weed Research since 1920'; 'Chemical Weed Control Research since 1950'; 'Ecological Weed Control'; Future Needs of Weed Research'.

Final arrangements including venue, time, programme details and cost will be notified in future newsletters.

Field Day: Members are advised that the Australian Veterinary and Agricultural Chemicals Association of Australia, plan a Field Day at Hawkesbury Agricultural College on 4th July, 1972. Details available from the Executive Officer of that Association.

Other Weed Societies: A brief mention is made below of activities of the Victorian and South Australian Weed Science Societies. Members who are in those states at the time will be assured of a warm welcome.

Victorian Weeds Science Society

- 21st August - General Meeting - 8 p.m. Clunies Ross House - topic to be decided.
- 18th September - General Meeting - 8 p.m. Clunies Ross House - topic to be confirmed.
- 20th October - Orchard Field Day.
- 20th November - Parks and Gardens - subject to be confirmed.
- March, 1973 - Conference - export, as well as other matters - discussion of the formation of Australian Weeds Science Society.

Details of any of the above from Mr. B. Probst, Secretary, c/- CIBA-Geigy Aust. Ltd., P.O. Box 9, Northland Centre 3072.

South Australian Weed Science Society

Meeting dates: 28th July, 29th September & 20th November.

Secretary: Messrs. M.J.Catt and P.M.Kloot, C/- Ian Clunies Ross Memorial Foundation, 170 North Terrace, Adelaide, 5000

Personal Items

Peter Gregory: Peter returned to the fold recently after an absence in England. He is now working for the School of Botany and Geography at the University of New South Wales. It is understood he will be involved in a study of Salt Tolerant Plants.

Glad to have you back Peter.

John Toth: John is an importation of several years standing from Czechoslovakia and now working on TVC at Hawkesbury Agricultural College. He recently joined the Society.

Bruce Campbell: Bruce is Development Manager (Herbicides) for Dow Chemicals and also recently joined the Society.

Michael Hood: Michael is working for Agrisearch Pty.Ltd. at Orange and also recently joined the Society.

Y.T. Tchan: "Chan" is Professor of Agricultural Microbiology at the University of Sydney and interested in soil residues of herbicides.

R. Pillay: This member is employed by the University of Sydney in Microbiology.

Ian Barnett: Ian works for CIBA-Geigy and is shortly to be stationed at Tamworth.

We extend our best wishes to these new members and thank them for their interest in the Society.

Constitution of the Weed Society of New South Wales:
Approved 17.2.1966.

1. Name: The name of the Society shall be "The Weed Society of New South Wales".
2. Objects:
The objects for which the Society is established are:
 - (a) To promote wider interest in weeds and their control.
 - (b) To provide opportunities for those interested in weeds and their control to exchange information and ideas based on research and practice.
 - (c) To encourage the investigation of all aspects of weeds and weed control.
 - (d) To co-operate, and, where appropriate, affiliate with other organisations engaged in related activities in Australia and overseas.
 - (e) To encourage the study of weed science and the dissemination of its findings.
 - (f) To produce and publish such material as may be considered desirable.
 - (g) To foster the development of an Australia-wide Weeds Organisation.

3. Membership:

- (a) Membership shall be of three classes, "ordinary", "honorary" and "corporate body", and shall be open to those individuals and corporate bodies respectively who are interested in weeds.
- (b) Honorary members may be elected from persons who, in the opinion of the Executive Committee, have made major contributions to the objects of the Society and shall have the same rights as ordinary members.
- (c) Corporate body members may nominate one representative to the Society who shall have the same rights as an ordinary member.
- (d) Applications for membership shall be considered by the Executive Committee and any person or corporate body who is approved by resolution passed by two-thirds majority as being suitable for election shall be regarded as a member.
- (e) Any member wishing to withdraw from the Society shall give written notice to the Honorary Secretary on or before 31st December of the then current year. The resignation of such member shall be accepted upon receipt of such notice provided all subscriptions and dues have been paid by the member up to the end of the financial year.

4. Subscriptions

Each ordinary member and each corporate body member shall pay an entrance fee and thenceforth an annual subscription which shall be fixed at the Annual General Meeting for the current year. The subscription shall be payable annually and shall fall due on the first day of March. In the event of the subscription being one year in arrears, membership shall lapse.

5. Executive Committee:

- (a) The Executive Committee shall consist of a President, the Immediate Past President, a Vice President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and two other members of the Society.
- (b) The management of the Society shall be vested in the Executive Committee.
- (c) Other than the Immediate Past President, the members of the Executive Committee shall be elected at the Annual General Meeting. They shall be eligible for re-election, except that the office of President shall not be held by any one person for more than two consecutive terms.

5. Executive Committee (Contd.)

- (d) The Executive Committee shall have the power to fill a casual vacancy in its membership.
- (e) The Executive Committee shall have the power to co-opt members for specific purposes.

6. Meetings:

The Executive Committee shall convene and hold an Annual General Meeting not later than the first day of March each year and such other meetings as it may consider necessary.

The Executive Committee shall convene a Special General Meeting if so required by requisition in writing by at least ten (10) financial members.

7. Non-Profits:

The income and property of the Society shall be applied towards the promotion of the objects as set forth in the constitution, and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly, or indirectly, by way of dividend or bonus as a profit to the members.

8. Dissolution:

If, upon winding up or dissolution of the Society there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among members of the Society, but shall be given or transferred to some organisation or organisations, having objects similar to the objects of the Society and which shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members.

9. Amendments to the Constitution:

The Constitution may be amended only at a General Meeting of which at least fourteen (14) days notice in writing shall have been given to members. A proposed amendment to the constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary and shall require to be supported in writing by at least five (5) financial members.

10. Audits:

Accounts shall be kept of all monies received and expended by the Society. An auditor who shall not be a member of the

10. Audits (Contd.)

Executive Committee, and who may or may not be a member of the Society, shall be appointed annually at the Annual General Meeting and shall be eligible for re-election. A statement showing the financial position of the Society, examined and certified by the auditor, shall be laid before the Annual General Meeting.

11. By-Laws:

The Society shall compile such by-laws and/or standing orders as may be desirable for the operations of the Society.

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