



WEED SCIENCE SOCIETY OF NORTH CAROLINA

Proceedings of the 22nd Annual Meeting of the Weed Science Society of North Carolina
March 11, 2004

"The Impact of Invasive and Aquatic Weed Species in North Carolina"

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Opening Remarks – Roger Batts, President, WSSNC

Guest Speakers

1. *"One if by land, two if by sea": the invasive species threat in the USA*
Dr. Randy Westbrooks, Invasive Plant Coordinator U.S. Geological Survey
2. *North Carolina and Invasive Plant Management*
Dr. David Patterson, NCDA&CS
3. *Invasive Aquatics in Piedmont Reservoirs*
Mr. Eric Barkemeyer - Cygnet Enterprises Statesville, NC
4. *NC Giant Salvinia Task Force*
Mr. Wayne Batten - NC Coop. Ext. Service Pender County Center
5. *Invasive Weeds, Blue-Green Algae, Coots, and Bald Eagles: a deadly trophic cascade*
Dr. Susan Wilde - SC Department of Natural Resources Charleston, SC
6. *NC DOT: Invasions on the roadsides*
Mr. Derek Smith, NC Department of Transportation Raleigh, NC
7. *Tropical Spiderwort: containment of a noxious weed in NC*
Dr. Mike Burton - NCSU, Crop Science Department
8. *Tropical Spiderwort (and you thought sicklepod was bad?)*
Dr. Ted Webster (USDA)

Student Presentations

9. *Japanese stiltgrass population dynamics and impacts on Piedmont forest ecosystems.*
C.A. Judge

10. Control and Seed Production of Sicklepod (Senna obtusifolia) Following 2,4-DB Alone and with Other Agrichemicals.

Sarah Hans

Minutes of the North Carolina Weed Science Society Meeting 2004

Roger Batts called the Business meeting to order at 3:00 pm on March 11, 2004. The meeting was held at the NC University Club on Hillsborough Street. President Batts began by announcing the following upcoming Weed Science events:

NEWSS Weed Contest July 26-27th-Contact: Dr. David Monks

NC Exotic Plant Pest Council March 24th -Location: Fletcher, NC

The Society for Ecological Restoration Coastal Plains Chapter March 25-27th -Location: Raleigh, NC

SE Regional Aquatic Conference May 12th, 2004 -Location: Leland, NC

Roger welcomed and thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Committee reports were next.

Committee Reports:

Tom McKemie started with the reading of the 2003 meeting minutes. The minutes were passed around while Tom read them out loud. Tom continued with the financial report. The report was projected from a computer for all members to see. Both the minutes and the financial report were voted on and passed.

Budget Breakdown by Year

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Membership		82	100	70	80
Attendance		61	72	40	70
# Students		8	20	14	13
Meeting Date	March 6th	March 8th	March 7th	March 6th	March 11th
Scholarship	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
Student Awards	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$500.00	\$525.00
Meeting Cost	\$1,940.46	\$2,314.58	\$1,414.56	\$1,418.88	\$1,449.08
Expenses	\$144.36	\$454.50	\$532.15	\$459.59	\$617.93
Newsletter Printing	\$344.65	\$476.09	\$134.54	\$159.35	\$146.64
Banking					
Balance EOA	\$6,372.37	7777.21	\$5,298.05	\$4,558.21	\$5,704.32
Interest Checking	\$30.43	\$34.72	\$15.12	\$6.19	\$0.87
Number of Sponsors	8	8	8	6	6
Support Dollars	\$2,250.00	\$2,200.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00

Sue Rick continued with an update on the WSSNC Dean Whitter fund and indicated that our fund manager recommended that we should remain where we are.

Financial Committee Report 3/04

Investment fund history:

Mar '00	\$30,330
Mar '01	\$32,195
Mar '02	\$30,781
Mar '03	\$26,520
Mar '04	\$35,680

Legislative Report

Tom Hunt presented the Legislative report leading with the number 1 hot issue: Federal Endangered Species Act (ESA). Tom explained the issues and asked for those interested in the ESA to contact him. He would be sending out emails on the subject. Tom also addressed North Carolina issues such as the legislation to increase buffer zone for right of ways was defeated, registration fees for new pesticides was increased, and future concerns that the Pesticide board may be moved from the NCDA to DEHNR.

Roger asked that Tom Hunt keep emailing the WSSNC membership with information from the CPANC. Tom asked for member's email addresses and no one denied the request.

Website Report

Steve Hoyle showed the membership screen shots of the website and gave out the new password (WEEDSCINC). Steve requested that the membership list and email addresses be posted on the website and a vote was taken and passed.

Leslie Fuquay asked if the newsletter could be emailed instead of mailed. A vote was taken and passed.

Awards Report

Leon Warren presented Steve Hoyle with the WSSNS distinguished Weed Science award for 2004. Steve Hoyle graciously accepted the award.

Student Awards and Announcements

Katie Jennings made the following announcements:

2003 NC Crop Protection School

-Andrew MacRae	2 nd place paper
-Robbie Parker	3 rd place paper

2004 Beltwide

-Robbie Parker	1 st place paper
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2004 NEWSS

- Carrie Judge	2 nd place paper
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2004 SWSS

-Robbie Parker	1 st place GS Paper
Outstanding Master Student - Walter Thomas	

2004 WSSA

Outstanding Student - Ian Burke

WSSNC Contest Winners

Poster Contest:

1 st Place	Gerald Henry
2 nd Place	Wesly Everman

Outstanding Student:

Ph.d - Andres MacRae
MS - Robbie Parker

Board Members for 2004

President	Dr. Mike Burton
V. President	Dr. Katie Jennings (elected)
Sec/Treas.	Tom McKemie
Past President	Roger Batts

Directors at Large

Web site	Steve Hoyle
Board Member Industry	Leslie Fuquay (elected)
Board Member Academia	Joe Neal (elected)
Student	Ian Burke (elected)

Old Business:

A discussion was held to bring to the table the issue of declining membership and dues. The discussion also included the cost of the meeting, moving the location of the meeting, WSSNC scholarships, and increasing the membership dues. After the discussion the general membership voted to let the board survey the membership and make the decision for the society.

Roger thanked those who helped with the 2004 meeting including Scott Clewis. He also thanked Mike Burton and our invited guests for doing the program.

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