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Next Meeting of the Entomological Society of NSW Inc

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The 61st AGM of the Entomological Society of NSW will be held at:

Rutledge Room,

Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club

117 Ryedale Road, West Ryde

(0.5 km from West Ryde Railway Station)

Wednesday 2 April 2014

7.30 pm start to AGM

INTERIM Minutes of the 60th Annual General Meeting

of the *Entomological Society of New South Wales Inc.*

held at Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club, West Ryde on 6 March 2013.

NB. The minutes recorded at the AGM were temporarily unavailable as the out-going Secretary had moved interstate while the notes remained locked up in Sydney. The following interim minutes were drafted by the Secretary and augmented by Graeme Smith. True copies of the minutes will be electronically circulated when they become available.

Attendance:

Members: Howard Greening, Barbara May, Robin Parsons (?), Bob Ryan, Graeme Smith, Gitte Strid-Nwulaekwe, Fred Swindley (?), Ted Taylor, Dinah Hales (?)

Apologies: Bernie Dominiak, Robin Gunning, Mark Stevens.

Minutes of the 59th AGM in 2012 were read and unanimously accepted by Council.

60th Report by Hon. Secretary: Provided by Gitte Strid-Nwulaekwe, as published in Tarsus issue No 598. Unanimously accepted as read by outgoing Council.

60th Report by Hon. Treasurer: Provided by Ted Taylor, as published in Tarsus issue No 598. Unanimously accepted as read by outgoing Council.

Presidential address: Provided by outgoing President Bob Ryan, as published in Tarsus issue No 598. He proposed a vote of thanks to the outgoing Council, and then stood down for the election.

Election of the Council for 2013:

POSITION	NOMINEE	PASSED
Hon. President	Bob Ryan	Yes
Hon. Vice President	Barbara May	Yes
Hon. Secretary	Gitte Strid-Nwulaekwe	Yes
Hon. Treasurer	Ted Taylor	Yes
Hon. Business Manager	Mark Stevens	Yes
Hon. Editor	Robin Gunning	Yes
Hon. Public Officer	Mary-Ann Terras	Yes
Hon. Circular Editor	Nil	Vacant
Hon. Councillor	Bernie Dominiak	Yes
Hon. Website Manager	Graeme Smith	Yes
Australian Entomology Society Correspondent ?	Dr Dinah Hales	Yes

Selection of Society Emblem for 2013: The Sorghum midge was proposed and accepted by Council.

General Business:

- The strong financial position of the Society was acknowledged.
- Publishing of Volume 41 was discussed, and the Hon. Editor had informed that there were enough papers to go ahead for printing of the Journal around mid year 2013.
- Proposed venue for site visits and events were revisited, and they remained largely the same as for previous years' suggestions. To be further planned during 2013. The Society Christmas Dinner was decided to go ahead at the end of the year.
- Show and Tell was provided by several attendees.

Letter to members from out-going President

Dear EntSoc NSW members,

The Entomological Society of New South Wales Inc continues to prosper with publication of Volume 41 of the General and Applied Entomology Journal and has an enviable financial security.

A dedicated group of members continue on the tradition of arranging an Entomology Society exhibit at the Kuring-gai Wildflower Garden Festival, St Ives. This EntSoc NSW effort is sought after and highly regarded by both event organisers and general public alike.

As usual the end of the year Entomology Society Dinner was arranged by Ted & Mary-Lynne Taylor. The dinner was enjoyed by all the attendees who were also tested on their entomological knowledge by a Quiz designed by Ted Taylor - competition was fierce because of the highly sought after winner's prize.

Our *raison d'être* is to maintain the on-going publication of the EntSoc NSW Journal: "General and Applied Entomology" which has now in excess of forty volumes [the latest Volume 42 (2013) is in press]. We specially

appreciate the efforts of Dr Robin Gunning (Journal Editor) and Dr Mark Stevens (Business Manager) who ensure the continued publication and success of the Journal which is central to the existence of the Entomology Society of NSW.

Note: The current Council ruling is there is no charge for papers in the Journal if the lead author is a member of the Entomological Society of NSW – this was instigated to encourage members to publish in the Journal and to give an additional benefit to members.

I hope the hard working Council [Gitte Strid-Nwulaekwe; Barbara May; Graeme Smith; Ted Taylor] and three “country members” (Dr Robin Gunning, Tamworth; Dr Mark Stevens, Yanco; Bernie Dominiak, Orange) will continue their involvement in 2014. Our longtime treasurer [Ted Taylor] has ensured we have no financial concerns with a very healthy (in excess of \$30K) bank balance.

Encouraged by our healthy financial position we maintain our interest further in the establishment of NSW Regional Sections of the Entomology Society and see this important in enabling easier access for our many members spread throughout NSW. The Council is keen to support (finance, speakers etc) efforts in establishing NSW Regional Sections e.g. Armidale, Orange etc.

The Council continues to encourage members involvement in planning events and would appreciate any suggestions for functions and visits during 2014. At the 2014 AGM [7:30pm; Wednesday 2nd April, 2014; “Rutledge Room”, Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club, 117 Ryedale Road, West Ryde NSW 2114] there is an opportunity for members to be candidates for positions on the Council – we have some vacancies and especially seek NSW Regional members as candidates.

I again remind member to take advantage of the current ruling of no charge for papers published in the EntSoc NSW Journal if the lead author is an Ent Soc NSW member. This incentive was introduced by Council to encourage and benefit members who publish in the General and Applied Entomology Journal.

I hope you all have an enjoyable 2014 and encourage you to spread the word of the benefits of being involved with the Entomology Society of NSW.

Yours sincerely,

Bob RYAN

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Honorary Secretary's Report

The 60th Report of the Council of the *Entomological Society of New South Wales Inc.* for 2013

1. The Council for 2013 was:

Honorary President	Mr Bob Ryan
Honorary Vice President	Mrs Barbara May
Honorary Secretary	Ms Gitte Strid-Nwulaekwe
Honorary Treasurer	Mr Ted E Taylor
Honorary Business Manager	Dr Mark Stevens
Honorary Editor	Dr Robin Gunning
Honorary Circular Editor	Vacant
Councillor	Dr Bernie Dominiak

Non-Council Officers

Honorary Public Officer

Dr Mary-Ann Terras

Honorary Web Page Manager

Mr Graeme Smith (volunteer)

Australian Ent. Soc. Correspondent

Dr Dinah Hales

2. Membership as of 31 December 2013 was 42 financial and 27 unfinancial, with 4 lapsed memberships.

There were no new members. Ted Taylor continues to update the membership list, as he also is the contact for payments and renewals (please see his annual Hon. Treasurer's and Membership Reports).

3. Council members: Seven of the eight essential or non-Council positions were filled and mostly remained the same as for 2012. Five of the total group of nine (including Councillor and volunteer Web Page Manager) who live in the Sydney region attended the local meetings, with the remaining three who are living far away contributing and communicating electronically with the rest of the Council.

4. Society Meetings and events: Council meetings were held on 2 occasions between March 2013 and March 2014. Events and visits were down in numbers this year, despite enthusiastic suggestions from Bob Ryan, Barbara May and others. The Society was again invited to participate in the Ku-ring-gai Wildflower and Garden Festival on Sunday 25 August at the Ku-ring-gai Wildflower Garden, St Ives and Gitte Strid-Nwulaekwe continued to be the Society's contact. The Festival was organised by a new team of Ku-ring-gai Council staff, and our stall was for the first time moved from under roof to a sheltered garden location. Four of our usual members set up the stall using their own materials and live and pinned exhibits, and they enthusiastically educated and entertained scores of visitors, not least families with young children.

5. The 60th AGM was held at the Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club, West Ryde on 6 March 2013 (please see separate AGM Report).

6. Volume 41 of *General and Applied Entomology* was published in June, 2013 and the embossed emblem on the front cover was a Sorghum midge (please see Hon. Business Manager's Annual Report). It was distributed to all members and subscribers. Many thanks to Robin Gunning for keeping up the quality of this the Society's flagship, and to Mark Stevens for distributing Journal volumes and being the contact and accounts keeper with subscriptions agencies and direct customers worldwide. Thank you also to Bernie Dominiak for continuing to contribute with suggestions and towards Council's discussions regarding Society publications including the web page.

7. Circulars. Tarsus continues to be available from the Society's web page, but the circular has in recent years diminished and is used to mainly publish Annual Reports and to call members to Annual General Meetings. This is due to the fact that article contributions from members have all but ceased, in line with many modern societies and clubs suffering from a decline in membership and participation. Thank you Graeme Smith for being instrumental in keeping the Society electronically visible to the world.

8. Society Emblem: The annual emblem for 2013, as shown on the front cover of Volume 41 was the Sorghum midge, *Contarinia sorghicola* (Coquille, 1899) illustrated by Alan Westcott.

9. The Annual Society Dinner was again held in November at the predominantly Italian Giovanna's Restaurant in Kingsford. It was attended by fourteen members, their partners and some friends. Thank you Ted and Mary-Lynn for organising this pleasant dinner and providing with the entertainment, in the form of invertebrate decorations, and the popular quiz – with many more prizes than usual!

Gitte Strid-Nwulaekwe

Hon. Secretary

25 March 2014

Honorary Treasurer's Report

THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES INC
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2013

GENERAL FUND

INCOME

Members subscriptions received and receivable	\$2,580.00	
Bank Interest	\$47.70	
Term Deposit Interest	\$351.23	<u>\$2,978.93</u>

PAYMENTS

Insurance – Public liability	\$804.56	
Decompression Web Payment	\$198.00	
Incorporation Expenses	\$51.00	
Supper Costs	\$11.90	
Hire of Meeting Room	<u>\$90.90</u>	<u>\$1,156.36</u>

Result for 2013: \$1,822.57

PUBLICATION FUND

INCOME

Journal income received and receivable		\$1,340.00
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Less: Cost of Journal

Opening stock at Committee' valuation	\$320.00	
Est. Cost to Print J. Vol. 41	\$1,000.00	
Journal postage	<u>\$150.90</u>	<u>\$1,470.90</u>

Plus:

Closing stock at Committee's valuation	\$320.00	
Company Associate Members	\$60.00	
Bank Interest	<u>\$34.67</u>	<u>\$414.67</u>

Result for 2013: \$283.77

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2013

ACCUMULATED FUNDS

Balance to 31 December 2012		\$31,499.27
Results for the year	General Fund \$1,822.57	
	Publication Fund <u>\$283.77</u>	<u>\$2,106.34</u>
Balance to 31 December 2013		\$33,605.61

REPRESENTED BY:

Cash at Bank	General Fund \$14,039.71	
	Publication Fund \$9,838.36	
	Term Deposit <u>\$8,425.54</u>	<u>\$32,303.61</u>

Stock of Journals at Committee's valuation		\$320.00
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Debtors	Members subscription arrears \$1,025.00	
	Journal payment arrears <u>\$1,200.00</u>	<u>\$2,225.00</u>
		\$34,848.61

Less:

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Subscriptions in advance	\$45.00	
Printing of Journal Vol. 41	\$1,000.00	
Uncashed Cheque	<u>\$198.00</u>	<u>\$1,243.00</u>

Total Assets 2013 \$33,605.61

Council members reviewed the statements of income and expenditure and balance sheets on 20th February, 2014 and found them to agree with cash book and bank statements.

THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Membership at 31 December 2013

<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>FINANCIAL</u>	<u>UNFINANCIAL</u>	2012 <u>TOTALS</u>
Ordinary	38	18	56
Special (retired)	3	3	6
Student	0	2	2
Corporate	0	2	2
Company Associate	0	2	2
Honorary Life	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>
Totals	42	27	69

Lapsed Members

John Clancy

Penny Gullan

South African Museum

Kate Worrall

Business Manager's Report

,2014 Annual General Meeting Entomological Society of New South Wales, Inc.

Volume 41 of *General and Applied Entomology* has been distributed to all members and to all institutional subscribers. Distribution was complicated by some subscription agencies (Globe, DA Information Services) closing down in recent months. This necessitated contacting the affected customers, identifying their new purchasing arrangements, and in most cases contacting their new agents to see whether invoices issued against orders previously placed by Globe and DA Information Services would be honoured. These issues have now been resolved and the number of institutional subscribers has remained relatively constant at 25. The delay in the publication of volume 41 caused issues with some subscribers, but vindicates our approach of invoicing 'on supply', rather than in advance. Advance invoicing would complicate issues further when publication delays are encountered.

Invoices for volume 41 issued to institutional subscribers totalled \$1,240. Three papers in volume 41 had senior authors who were not financial members of the society, and accordingly page charge invoices totalling \$1,060 have been issued. Abstracting services (CAB, Zoological Record) have been provided with copies of volume 41.

Issues for discussion.

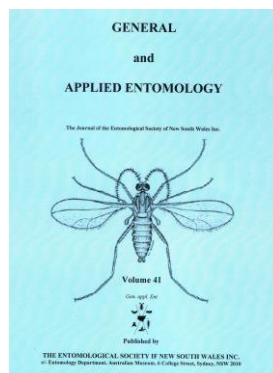
1. The Society currently adds a \$5 surcharge to journal invoices where overseas airmail is required. The current cost of sending a journal volume to an overseas subscriber is \$6.50. I suggest that the overseas postage surcharge for the journal be increased from \$5 to \$7 to cover costs.
2. I recently received an offer to have *General and Applied Entomology* indexed in AGRICOLA, the database maintained by the USDA National Agricultural Library. Whilst I believe this is a good idea, AGRICOLA requires publishers to provide citations as metadata files generated using downloadable software. Consideration needs to be given as to whether or not we can find a volunteer willing to prepare these files.
3. Recent correspondence with Val McAtear, librarian at the Royal Entomological Society, suggests that some (possibly many) of our institutional subscribers are missing one or more volumes of the journal from their collections. I would like the Society to consider authorising the Business Manager to progressively contact all our institutional subscribers to find out what issues they are missing, and then supply them free of charge, provided we have the relevant back-issues available. Postage would be the only significant cost associated with this exercise, and I believe it would strengthen the relationship between the Society and our institutional subscribers. This may be particularly valuable at the present time due to recent publication delays. I currently have a small number of journals back as far as volume 35, but I believe there are more copies and older volumes in storage, possibly at UWS.

Mark Stevens
Hon. Business Manager
19 March 2014

PLEASE NOTE

Page charges are no longer be levied for the Journal
on papers where the first author is a member of the Society.

Please send any manuscripts to Robin Gunning
(robin.gunning@industry.nsw.gov.au) as soon as possible



Meetings

The Society meets on an *ad hoc* basis at a venue posted on the Society web site and emailed to members.

Future Events

Date	Venue	Title
7.30 pm Wednesday 2 nd April, 2014	Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Venue:

Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club
117 Ryedale Road, West Ryde
(0.5 km from West Ryde Railway Station)

7.30pm start to the meeting

The AGM should run for around 45 minutes.

Plenty of options for dinner and/or drinks before or after available at the club.

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MEMBERSHIP FEES 2014

ORDINARY MEMBERS	\$50 (\$45 if paid on time)
COMPANY ASSOCIATES	\$60
STUDENT MEMBERS	\$25
CORPORATE MEMBERS	\$50

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