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## Index to Bulletins 1-35

WITH this bulletin is being issued separately a cumulative author and title index to the current and all past numbers, a total of 35 issues which appeared over a period of 27 years. During this time there has been considerable change, both in format and content, in the Society's publication.

Under the editorship of Dr L. B. Moore, the *Wellington Botanical Society Bulletin* began in wartime years (June 1941) as a "modest cyclostyled pamphlet", appearing twice or three times yearly, in which reports of field trips and addresses given at the Society's meetings mingled with news of members, notes on cultivation of native plants, and occasional contributed articles. (For a humorous account of some of the trials of those early years see Bulletin No. 32, pp. 21—22.) Subsequent issues became more substantial, and after the appearance of No. 19 in August 1948 the decision was made to change to a printed format. The first printed issue (No. 20) appeared in February 1949 under the guidance of a new editor, Mr A. P. Druce. At first the printed bulletins continued to appear twice yearly, then annually; reports of field trips and addresses were gradually omitted (being later taken up in the cyclostyled newsletter) and the bulletin came largely to consist of descriptive articles of a high standard, though small and informal notes were still valued. Following the appearance of Bulletin No. 33 in November 1967, the largest and most ambitious issue to date which came after a gap of four years, Mr Druce relinquished the editorship from pressure of work, having established a firm place for the Society's publication in N.Z. botanical literature.

Of the early cyclostyled issues, only Nos. 1, 2, 5, and 14—19 are still available in reasonable number; Nos. 4, 6, 8 and 10 are completely out of print and the remainder very nearly so. Of the printed issues, Nos. 22, 26 and 31 are also out of print and 20, 21, 24 and 27 nearly so, but there are still fair stocks of the remaining numbers. The dates of issue are listed at the beginning of the index.