CANTERBURY BOTANICAL SOCIETY (N.Z.) INC.

AIMS OF THE SOCIETY

"To promote interest in the study of botany, especially that of New Zealand and in particular the native flora of Canterbury."

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MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Membership is open to anyone interested in any aspect of botany. We welcome enquiries.

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Ordinary meetings of the Society are held on the evening (8 pm) of the first Friday of each month, in lecture room A5, University of Canterbury, Ilam (just south of the Law School carpark). A very wide range of botanical subjects is covered by the invited speakers. Field excursions visit places of botanical interest on the following day. Workshops to help members become more familiar with particular groups of plants, or other plant topics, are held from time to time. Highlight events are the early summer field camp (usually to a

Canterbury venue) and the mid-summer field camp (often to locations in other parts of the South Island). Our Society is a congenial one; lifetime friendships are formed.

The Society makes submissions to the relevant authorities on matters of concern in conservation, or the environment. A monthly newsletter keeps members informed about activities.

CANTERBURY BOTANICAL SOCIETY JOURNAL

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Members of the Society and others are invited to contribute Journal articles or notes, illustrated with photographs or drawings where appropriate. I am giving up the job of Editor, after eight pleasant years. I offer very sincere thanks to everyone who has helped to make the task so enjoyable, by writing interesting and informative articles. I also wish to thank Jeanette Allen, at the School of Forestry, University of Canterbury, for her meticulous typing, and tremendous patience. Production of the Journal would have been impossible without her fine work (I am a technological incompetent, who does not type).

The Journal is an important part of the Society's activities. It always contains a lot about the local botany, written from a variety of perspectives. The floras, descriptions of vegetation, botanical discoveries etc. that it includes constitute a very useful permanent record. The Journal is regarded as a serious botanical publication.

Your next Editor will be Dr Warwick Harris of 27A Edwards Street, Lincoln. He will be setting new standards for the Journal. Please support him by keeping up a supply of articles. I wish him well in the task that began with John Thompson (1968-1980) and continued with Ross Elder (1981-1987); David Norton (1988-1992), myself (1993-2000) and Ron Close, once (1996).

Warwick intends to have a theme "Threatened Plants of Canterbury" for the next Journal, No. 35. Please think of articles that you might write on that. Material on other topics will also be very welcome.

Colin Burrows October 1999