

MYCOLOGIST POSITION AT ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS MELBOURNE

There is currently a vacancy in the Plant Sciences and Biodiversity Division at the Royal Botanic Gardens Melbourne, and it has been decided to fill the position with a Mycologist, to complement the existing mycological research programs at the RBG. The position will require a Ph.D. or equivalent experience, and suitable candidates will have research interests in the taxonomy or ecology of Australian fungi. The position will be advertised shortly in the *Weekend Australian*. For further details contact Dr Marco Duretto (Plant Sciences Manager RBG), 03 9252 2313 (duretto@rbgmelb.org.au) or Dr Tom May, 03 9252 2319 (tmay@rbgmelb.org.au).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE AUSTRALASIAN MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY

The AGM will be held on 13 November 1998 at the Biological Sciences Building at the University of New South Wales (4th floor). All welcome.

Agenda

- 18.30 AGM
- 19.00 Bettye Rees: *Gymnopilus*
- 19.35 Cheryl Grgurinovic: *Mycena*
- 21.10 Tom May: Fungimap
- 20.45 Close of meeting
- 21.00 Dinner at local pub

NEW OFFICE BEARERS

The nominations for the Executive of the Australasian Mycological Society have closed. A single nomination has been received for each position; the following will take office at the AGM on 13 November 1998.

President: Cheryl Grgurinovic
Vice-president: Wieland Meyer
Treasurer: Heino Lepp
Secretary: Tom May
Councillors: Peter Buchanan, Ceri Pearce

Retiring council members:

Jack Simpson: President
David Ellis: Councillor

Tom May
Secretary

RETIREMENT OF DR JOHN ALCORN

Dr John Alcorn, retired from Herbarium BRIP, on 28 August 1998. John had a long and valued career as taxonomic mycologist with the Queensland Department of Primary Industry at Indooroopilly. He made many contributions to taxonomic mycology especially with members of the *Helminthosporium s.l.* group and their teleomorphs. We wish John well in his retirement. No decision has been made about a replacement taxonomist.

J.A. Simpson