



**Canadian Weed Science Society**  
**Soci t  canadienne de malherbologie**



### **CWSS News You Can Use**

The Kelowna meeting is upon us!! This month we have a message from the outgoing President, a link to vote on the photo contest and many meetings in the events calendar.

### **President's Address**



Hi Everyone,  
 With the CWSS-SCM Annual Meeting just around the corner, I thought it would be a good time to send a note out to all of our members. I'd like to begin with a few thanks. First, I'd like to thank all of you for being members of our society and helping to contribute to the vibrant, inclusive and dynamic culture we have created within the CWSS-SCM. Second, to our Executive Committee and Board of Directors, thanks for your leadership, thoughtful insights, and willingness to volunteer your time. I know it is delicate balancing act to carve out the time out for society matters, yet somehow you've all managed to do it

masterfully. It's been a privilege to work with all of you. Final thanks is to the Kelowna local arrangement team led by Ken Sapsford and David Clements. The annual meeting you've created is sure to be remembered in fond light for years to come thanks to all your selfless efforts. Take a bow.

With so much misinformation, false narratives, and distrust happening all around us, I believe farmers and consumers are searching harder and harder to find accurate information that can help them to either produce or consume healthy, affordable food. I believe we, as Weed Science professionals, have a strong role to play in this space. Let's take advantage of the forum we have ahead at our Annual Meeting to grow our toolbox and our ability to assist farmers and consumers. We not only have an opportunity to interact and engage with nationally and internationally recognized Weed Science experts, but we will also be exposed to cutting edge research findings. Additionally, this year we have a few sessions devoted to enhancing our understanding of the politicized nature of pesticide use, and to identifying new approaches for engaging with a consumer base that is increasingly more disconnected from the realities of food production. Let's challenge ourselves to make the most of this opportunity, and to make it part of our ongoing mission to do all that we can to be a trusted source of accurate information for the farmers, advisors, regulators, extension experts, and consumers we connect with.

I'll close by saying how much I'm looking forward to seeing all of you in Kelowna. We've got a full scientific program, an engaging, diverse and topical set of plenary speakers, a special workshop on glyphosate, and of course the student presentations that are a perennial highlight for many. The pre-conference tours also sound amazing and should be a high point for those registered to attend. A reminder to those still finalizing travel plans that registration begins at noon on Monday, November 18, in the Conference Lobby, the Industry Reception begins at 6:00 PM in the Grand Foyer, and for Graduate students, the meet and greet with the Board of Directors begins at 5:00 PM in the Mt. Boucherie room. Please travel safe and remember to check the weather forecast. Ken and David promised me beautiful fall Okanagan weather, so I'm only bringing shorts and t-shirts. :) Thanks again for the opportunity to serve as CWSS-SCM President. It's been a blast!

Rory Degenhardt CWSS-SCM President, 2018-2019

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## Board of Directors Info

- You can vote on the 2019 photo contest photos until November 12th. Pick your favorites [here](#).
- **90 years of Excellence!** The Membership Committee is looking for photos or other memorabilia you would like to share from years gone by (e.g. photos from past annual meetings; documents) to commemorate weed science activities over the past 90 years. Please send photos and/or documents to: [wendy.asbil@canada.ca](mailto:wendy.asbil@canada.ca) by **November 8**.

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## CWSS Annual Meeting Registration Now OPEN

You can still register for the meeting!  
There are **1-day**, **2-day** and full conference registration options available.

[Register Now](#)

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## CWSS Annual Meeting Plenary Speakers

We have confirmed the speakers for the plenary session for the 2019 CWSS annual meeting in Kelowna.

[Jennifer Grenz](#)  
[James Littley](#)  
[Dr. Catherine Tarasoff](#)  
[Dr. Robert Bouchier](#)  
[Dr. Mohsen Mesgaran](#)  
[Dr. Timothy Paulitz](#)  
[Dennis Prouse &](#)  
[Adrienne Ivey](#)

An exciting diverse group of speakers and topics to look forward to!  
Please follow the link on each name to view bio's and topic information that each of the speakers will be presenting in November.



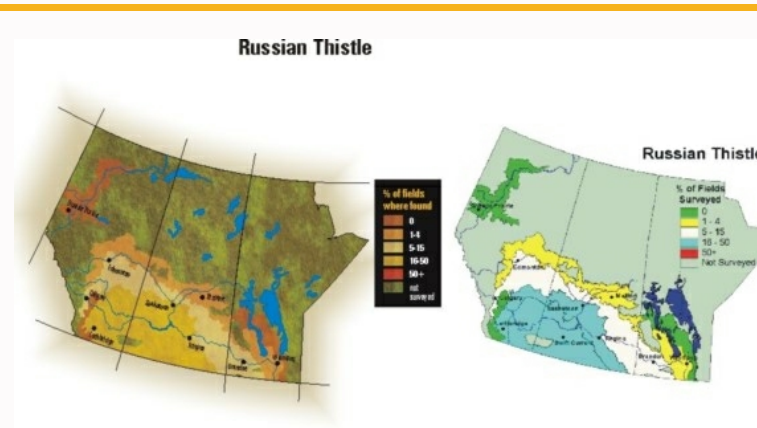
## Article of the Month

Beckie, H.J., Hall, L.M, Shirriff, S.W., Martin, E and Leeson, J.Y., 2019. **Glyphosate and acetolactate synthase inhibitor resistance in Russian thistle (*Salsola tragus* L.) in Alberta.** Can. J. Plant Sci. 99: 384-387.

A copy of the paper may be requested from Dr. Linda Hall at [lmhall@ualberta.ca](mailto:lmhall@ualberta.ca).

Abstract: A survey was conducted in Alberta in 2017 to determine the distribution and abundance of acetolactate synthase (ALS) inhibitor and glyphosate resistance in Russian thistle. Of 45 populations tested, 31 (62%) were ALS inhibitor resistant. No populations exhibited resistance to glyphosate. This survey serves as a baseline to monitor future incidence of resistance in this weed.

[Click here](#)



## 2019 Meeting Calendar

Here are some of the meetings coming up in your area this winter. Click on the event for more info.

- November 13-14, 2019 - [Canola Discovery Forum](#) - Winnipeg, MB
- November 18 to 21, 2019 - [CWSS Annual Meeting](#)- Kelowna, BC
- Dec 3 - 5, 2019 - [Farm Forum Event](#), Saskatoon, Sk.
- Dec 4 - 5, 2019 - [Canola Week 2019](#), Saskatoon, Sk.
- Dec 10 - 13, 2019 - [North Central Weed Science Society](#), Columbus, Ohio
- Jan 27 - 30, 2020 - [Southern Weed Science Society](#), Biloxi, MS
- Jan 28 - 30, 2020 - [FarmTech](#), Edmonton, AB.
- March 2 - 5, 2020 - [WSSA Annual Meeting](#), Maui, Hawaii
- June 21 - 25, 2020 - [8th International Crop Science Congress](#), Saskatoon, Sk.
- June 21 - 26, 2020 - [International Weed Science Congress](#). Bangkok, Thailand

**Save the date** for our joint CWSS/WSSA Annual meeting to be held February 21-24, 2022



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