

**Name:** Chris Budd

**Occupation:** Senior Field Biologist

**Previous work and volunteer experience in Weed Science:**

I spent three summer internships within weed science. For two seasons I was a research associate out of the Maryhill Research Farm in Ontario with BASF Canada. The third season I spent in Central Alberta as a Technical Sales Associate with BASF Canada. After graduate studies I was a Field Biologist with BASF Canada managing the Maryhill Research Farm and Corn & Soybean herbicide development in Canada. Volunteering within weed science would include providing technical presentations to grower & student groups and judging graduate student oral presentations at CWSS.



**How did you become involved with CWSS and when?**

My involvement with CWSS began in 2015 where I attended the annual meeting in my first year of graduate studies.

**What has the extent of your involvement been? (i.e. have you served on committees/executive?)**

(Editor's note: not yet ! : ) )

**Favorite memory/experience in your weed science career to date?**

I was fortunate enough to compete and do well on the OAC Weeds Team at the University of Guelph as an undergraduate and graduate student. These competitions and the preparation leading up to them was very fun and rewarding. This was some of best training a person could have for a career in weed science or agronomy in general.

**What is your favorite weed and why?**

Canada fleabane would be my favourite weed. Since it was the subject of my graduate studies I got to know it well and it is like an old friend/enemy now.

**What are your career goals/future plans in weed science (if you are comfortable sharing)?**

Looking forward I intend to stay in a career involved with weed science. I thoroughly enjoy exploring new opportunities to help Canadian farmers be competitive, sustainable and profitable.