
Editorial

This is an important year for the World's Poultry Science Association and for the World's Poultry Science Journal. Starting with this issue, Volume 60 No. 1, we are introducing a version of the Journal on the Internet. The Association has made an agreement with specialist scientific publishers CAB International to make the core scientific content available online through their website www.cabi-publishing.org/wpsj.

As a first step, we are offering online access to the Journal by subscription, primarily, to institutions and libraries around the world, particularly those with a special interest in poultry science. Individuals can access the online edition either through their library or through membership of a locally established network or by taking out an individual online subscription in addition to their regular Association membership. We hope that all WPSA members will actively encourage their own institute or library to take out an Internet subscription, preferably the Print + Internet package we are now offering.

All members will continue to receive their personal copy of the print version of the Journal. At this stage we shall not be putting the whole of the contents on the Internet, only the scientific review papers, regional reports and the annual index. A link will be provided to the summaries in other languages, which will now include Chinese, on the WPSA website. Our website, which is undergoing a makeover and now features an expanded news section, is always worth a regular visit.

The XXII World's Poultry Congress will take place from June 8-13th this year in Istanbul, Turkey. Members of the Association who have not already registered for the Congress are urged to do so without further delay. WPSA President Dr Peter Hunton, chairman of the organising committee for the 2000 Congress in Montreal, Canada, has written a special message which we publish in this issue. Dr Hunton highlights the many opportunities and benefits available to those who attend World's Poultry Congresses. He pays tribute to the organising committee of the hosts this time, the Turkish Branch WPSA which has done an outstanding job of putting the programme together. The ancient and historic city of Istanbul and its Convention and Exhibition Centre will provide a wonderful environment and first class facilities. The Journal will be well represented and we are all looking forward to a memorable Congress and seeing you there.

We are delighted to be publishing in this issue, the first of two papers by the distinguished poultry scientist and teacher, Professor Trevor Morris from the University of Reading, UK. Professor Morris for many years played a prominent part in the activities of the World's Poultry Science Association and is a Member of the International Poultry Hall of Fame. Last year he accepted an invitation to speak at a meeting of the South African Branch WPSA. Under his general theme of 'Recollections' he presented papers on nutrition and environmental control for layers, representing summaries of some of his contributions to poultry science down the years.

The current editor of this Journal is particularly honoured to be able to publish these papers, because of his own recollections of being one of Professor Morris's students at Reading University nearly 50 years ago.

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