



FISH HEALTH SECTION

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FRYER, BULLOCK, WARREN ELECTED TO FHS POSTS

Tabulation of the ballots cast in the first fall FHS election resulted in the election of Dr. John L. Fryer, Associate Professor of Microbiology at Oregon State University as President for 1973. Dr. Graham L. (Pete) Bullock, Bacteriologist for the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service at their Eastern Fish Disease Laboratory was elected Vice-President. James W. Warren, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Hatchery Biologist was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

Shortly after the election, President Fryer named the following Section members to Standing Committees:

Professional Standards

Don Amend, Chmn.
Ed Mc Leary
Bob Summerfelt

Finance

Jim Warren, Chmn.
Dennis Anderson
Chuck Hicks

Nominating

Jim Wood, Chmn.
Fred Meyer
Wilmer Rogers

Membership & Balloting

Chuck Hicks, Chmn.
Bill Klontz
Dave Mac Lean
Ivan Mc Elwain
John Plumb

Technical Procedures

Dave Mc Daniel, Chmn.
Trevor Evelyn
Ron Goede
Roger Herman
Bill Wingfield

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Dennis Anderson, Chmn.
Chris Frantsi
Chris Jensen
Joe Mc Craren
Doug Mitchum

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President Fryer, in naming these committee assignments, emphasized that committee work is not restricted to those members assigned to the committees. All FHS members are urged to contribute their thoughts, data or other pertinent information for committee consideration. Section members not assigned to Standing Committees may be asked to serve on special committees to accomplish specific tasks.

FHS Memberships Total 114 in February

Fish Health Section memberships totalled 114 as of 16 February 1973. The Section has members in the U.S., Canada, England and Israel. A membership application blank has been printed on the reverse of this article as a number of members have asked for more application forms. These forms may be duplicated locally if more are needed. AFS members involved in safeguarding the health of fish and "friends of fish health" are invited to join the FHS. Applications, accompanied by a check for \$2.00 made out to the Fish Health Section: AFS, should be sent to: Jim Warren, FHS Sect.-Treas., P.O. Box 252, Genoa, Wisconsin 54632.

CURRENT TOPICS

1. **INFECTIOUS HEMATOPOIETIC NECROSIS (IHN)** has been confirmed in rainbow trout fry hatched from eggs reportedly disinfected with an iodophor disinfectant. The outbreak of this viral disease following iodophor disinfection indicates an urgent need for further studies on the transmission and control of IHN. Fish pathologists should thoroughly investigate rainbow trout fry losses during the coming rearing season. Iodophor disinfection of eggs remains the most effective egg disinfection procedure available but each treatment should be checked to assure proper dosage, exposure, and contact time.
2. **CONTROL OF PLISTOPHORA OVARIAE** in Golden Shiners has been reported by Fred Meyer at the Fish Farming Experimental Station at Stuttgart, Arkansas. Shiners, fed daily rations containing 62.5 and 125 grams of nitrofuazone per 100 pounds of diet from 2/14 to 3/13, were found to be free of Plistophora trophozoites and spores when examined in April, June, and September. Work is continuing to determine the minimum effective dosage rate. More work is also planned to evaluate the possible adverse affect of the drug upon fry survival beyond three weeks of age. (For further information contact: Dr. Fred Meyer, FFES, Stuttgart, AR 72160)
3. **FISH HEALTH LEGISLATION** has been introduced into the 93rd Congress. A recent letter from Senator Frank Moss of Utah indicates that he has introduced a bill which is nearly identical to the one reported out by the Commerce Committee late in the last session. Ornamental fish have been excluded from the provisions of his new bill, however. Senator Moss said, "we are making an effort to work with the catfish industry to see if we cannot come to some sort of agreement with them." In the House, Congressman Mailliard of California has introduced H.R. 730 which is apparently similar to the bill that was being worked on at the close of the 92nd Congress.

MEETINGS AND MISCELLANY

1. FHS member Dr. Lionel Mawdesley-Thomas, Director of the Huntingdon Research Centre, Huntingdon, England has edited "Diseases of Fish." This publication contains papers presented at a symposium held in London in May 1971. Highlights of the book include papers on UDN in atlantic salmon, the carp dropsy disease complex, fish tumors, and advances in fish virology from 1966 to 1971. This book is published by Academic Press (111 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10003) and is priced at \$21.00.

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FHS Membership Application - 1973 Dues: \$2.00/year

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Make check payable to:
FISH HEALTH SECTION: AFS
Send with application to:
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P.O. Box 252
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I hereby apply for membership in the Fish Health Section and understand that I must be an active, paid-up AFS member to qualify.

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