



# NORTH DAKOTA WEED CONTROL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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## Upcoming Meetings :

Board of Directors Meeting June 28, 2022, 10:00 am

The 2023 Annual Conference set for January 2-5

Both at Bismarck Hotel & Conference Center, Bismarck

**Your association has caps, a couple of jackets and vests, and padfolios, cups and a few other items for sale. Contact Merlin or Derrill for more information**

**\*\*NEWSLETTER\*\***

## Paper edition going away after 2022

As many of you know, we have been asking for e mails to send the newsletter out by e mail. Currently we have 379 receiving it by e mail. We still have 141 receiving this by regular mail. If you receive it by paper, you are missing the updates with industry or board news, as we use our e mail list as a list serve, a way to notify members of issues affecting them as they happen. The annual conference in 2023 will be your last chance to sign up, or you will be without a newsletter come March, 2023.

**Also, as weed boards get new members throughout the year, please let us know, so we can update our list. We find where former members continue to receive the newsletter, and new members do not. Unless we are notified, we have no idea the comings and goings of board members.**

## Presidents Message

Greetings to all!

Wow!! What a spring this has been, with flooding in the east, record snowfalls in the west and the whole state wondering when we were going to get going with springs work. Well the moisture is well needed and with that comes the abundance of plants good and bad! But on a positive note we will see the opportunity for ranchers to replenish their grazing ability. Crop producers will deal with a later than average crop development and need for competing with weeds. And that's where we all need to come together and help to stop the spread of the noxious and troublesome weeds.

Richard with the Ag Dept has plenty of the "Guides to North Dakota Noxious and Troublesome Weeds". Give him a call and ask for a bunch to get into the hands of producers, wildlife enthusiast, agronomist and land-owners. We need their help in spotting the bad plants, so we can enjoy what the good plants do to help us in agriculture. This is one of the better publications out there and we need help in identifying them for control.

This summer has a lot of great opportunities for agriculture, such as the Northern Plains Weed Management Symposium, August 23-25<sup>th</sup> in Washburn at the ND 4-H Camp. The program has a lot to offer in education as well as demonstrations. So if you have had a chance to see a brochure on the symposium, give any board member a call and we can email you a copy.

Last of all I think we will have a long and busy summer with the spray season, so don't forget to enjoy the summer and take time to enjoy what this state has to offer. See you in August at the Symposium!!

Jim Hennessy

2022 NDWCA President

## Executive Secretary's Corner

If you look under upcoming meetings, to the upper left, you will see that it says Bismarck Hotel, NOT Ramkota. New ownership, new name, same building.

Nice to see green grass in the state. Eastern ND is slightly on the wet side, but here in ND we have to take what we are given, and we are hardy enough to persevere. Have a good spraying season. Merlin

## Industry Update

By **Bill Walker**  
NDWCA Industry Representative

I'll start by saying there has not been much change from our last industry report, products continue to be tight and short supply on many items, pricing is still unstable on some products but, we have not seen any drastic price increases as of late, some minor increases, expect to see some mid-season price increases on your products bid and quoted, manufacturers have been raising pricing to distributors and they will just simply have to follow increases as well.

We do have a couple of "NEW" industry representatives I'll bring to your attention.

**CORTEVA** has announced a new representative for Eastern ND, his name is **Tanner Smith**, Territory Manager, Pasture and Land Management, phone number 1-608-408-3133, email – [tanner.smith@corteva.com](mailto:tanner.smith@corteva.com), Tanner currently lives in Wisconsin and is planning on relocating to Sioux Falls, SD, he is replacing Matt Morton who has moved back to CORTEVA's seed division and moved back to Nebraska, Clair Volk will still have western ND, please welcome Tanner on board in eastern ND.

**Bayer** has announced a new representative for Western ND, his name is **Jarrold Hossfeld**, Western Area Sales Manager, phone number 1-406-298-0955,

email – [jarrod.hossfeld@bayer.com](mailto:jarrod.hossfeld@bayer.com), Jarrod lives in Billings, MT and is replacing Scott Ohnoutka in western ND, Scott will still have eastern ND. Scott's e mail is [scott.ohnoutka@bayer.com](mailto:scott.ohnoutka@bayer.com)

Please welcome Jarrod on board in western ND.

## Get In Touch



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**Northern Plains  
Weed  
Management  
Symposium**

**August 23-25, 2022**  
**North Dakota**  
**4-H Camp**  
**Washburn, ND**



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## Education Committee Report

Submitted by Derrill Fick, NDWCA Education Committee Chairman

We had a booth at the Earth Day festival in Bismarck on April 26<sup>th</sup>. This booth lets us interact with local students and the general public to inform them of the importance of noxious weed control.

We had a great turnout at our sprayer schools this year. I want to thank everyone who attended. All totaled we had 128 people attend. This is our greatest attendance since we started the sprayer schools! The people attending are from weed boards and state and federal agencies that are tasked with noxious weed control. We are very happy that we have a continued interest in people wanting to learn about noxious weeds and the safe and correct way to identify and control them. These sprayer schools could not be possible without the speakers and presenters so I need to thank all of them for their expertise and willingness to speak at these schools.

The locations where these sprayer schools were held were: the Carrington Research Center in Carrington, in Minot at the Ward County Weed Control Office and in Dickinson at the Stark County Weed Control office.

The Education Committee is organizing and going to hold a Symposium this summer designed for more hands-on interaction for people that are doing noxious weed control for their weed board, or other agency across the state. This will be held in Washburn, ND on August 23-25. Registrations are available so please plan on attending.

Again, thank you to everyone for attending and participating and I hope everyone has a safe and productive spray season!

## Tuesday, August 23, 2022

### 12:00pm - Lunch - (Soup & Sandwich)

- 1:00pm - Welcome
- Jim Hennessy, NDWCA President*
- 1:15pm - Review of Training/Introductions
- Travis Jepsen, 2021 Past President*
- 1:30pm - Importance of Noxious Weed Control Programs
- Doug Goehring, ND Dept. of Ag*

### 2:30pm - Break

- 3:00pm - Noxious Weed Update
- Richard Weisz, ND Dept. of Ag*
- 3:15pm - Live Weed ID @**Canopy by Mess Hall**
- Brian Jenks, NCREC Weed Specialist*

### 4:30pm - Break

- 4:45 - Weed Jeopardy
- Joan Lorge, Director & Rick Schmidt, Director*
- 6:00pm - Evening Meal
- 7:30 - Evening Activities
- Trap Shooting
- Corn Hole Toss
- Cards & Dice Games

## Wednesday, August 24, 2022 Thursday, August 25, 2022

### 7:00am - Breakfast

- 8:00am - Review of Daily Education
- Derrill Fick, Director*
- 8:15am - Aquatic Species
- Ben Holen, ND Game & Fish*
- 9:00am - Biological/Chemical Control of:
  - Leafy Spurge -Canada Thistle
  - Yellow Toadflax -Purple Loosestrife
  - Spotted Knapweed

### 10:30am - Break

- 11:00am - Biological/Chemical Control Continued
- Bill Walker, Nutrient Ag Solutions*
- John Mortenson, ND Dept. of Ag*

### 12:00pm - Lunch

- 1:00pm - Drones & Weed Control
- Spotters - *Josh Dipippo, Aerial Ag LLC*
- *Cory Palm, Pro Ag Solutions*

### 2:30pm - Break

- 3:00pm - New & Invasive Weeds at Your Backdoor
- Josh Wagoner, Montana Dept. of Ag*
- 4:30pm - Calibration Workshop
- Bill Walker, Nutrient Ag Solutions*

### 6:00pm - Evening Meal

- 6:30pm - GPS & Equipment
- Ryan Walker, Spray Sync*
- GIS Software
- Jim Hanson, ND Dept. of Ag*
- 8:30pm - Evening Activities
- Golf Challenge
- Corn Hole
- Texas Hold'em

### 7:00am - Breakfast

- 8:00am - Morning Review
- Bill Walker, Director*
- 8:10am - CORTEVA
- 8:40am - Bayer
- Method 240 SL Herbicide, Rejuvra
- 9:10am - Nichino Americas
- Venue Herbicide

9:40am - Weed Law in ND

*Dutch Bialke, ND Dept. of Ag*

### 10:40am - Break

- 11:00am - Pesticide Safety
- Jim Jeske, Former State Pesticide Inspector*
- 12:00pm - Closing Remarks
- Stan Wolf- 2023 State President*



## \$250 PER PERSON

INCLUDES MEALS,  
LODGING & PROGRAM

PLEASE SEND

CHECK PAYABLE TO: **NDWCA**  
MAIL WITH REGISTRATION TO:

PO BOX 5005

MINOT, ND 58702

## Registration Form

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed : \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Bunkhouse Style**

**Sleeping Arrangements**

## **NDDA Report by Richard Weisz, NDDA Noxious Weed Specialist**

### **NDDA: NOXIOUS WEEDS - LAP & TAG Deadline (June 30, 2022):**

The last day of cost-share/purchases for the 2021-2022 fiscal year is June 30, 2020. Vouchers for LAP/TAG reimbursement must be sent in to me by July 8, 2022.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns. Richard Weisz (701) 328-2250 [raweisz@nd.gov](mailto:raweisz@nd.gov)

### **NDDA: BIOCONTROL - Leafy spurge**

Please monitor leafy spurge infestations for the emergence of leafy spurge flea beetles. As with all biocontrol agents, we encounter a time sensitive issue with the leafy spurge flea beetles. Collection and redistribution are typically from mid-June to early-July. The NDDA will send out weekly updates of sunflower growing degrees days for emergence of leafy spurge flea beetles through peak collecting.

The NDDA is available to assist counties in hosting public field collection days. Please contact John if you are planning a public collection day. We will assist with advertising and can bring along sweep nets, bug sorters, other supplies, and information to pass along to the public on how to start an insectary, monitoring, collecting, and redistribution of leafy spurge flea beetles.

Contact information: John Mortenson (701) 328-4128 [Jmortenson@nd.gov](mailto:Jmortenson@nd.gov)

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