THE 'OTHER' SOCIETY: A Brief History of

Southwestern Entomological Society, Society of Southwestern Entomologists



& Southwestern Entomologist



IN HONOR OF:



Dr. Horace R. Burke



Dr. William F. Chamberlain

HISTORY

- 1970 study found ESA would not allow publishing Proceedings of SW Branch
- 1973 recommended not publish Abstracts
- 1975 Vote at SW Branch meeting
 Not-for-profit organization established
- 1976 First issue of Southwestern Entomologist published
- 2003 Name changed to Society of Southwestern Entomologists
- 2005 Articles from 1976-2004 on CD

SOCIETY'S ORIGINAL ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

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in November or December 1975 I asked Roger Drummond, the executive board member from the Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America to present a request to the National Executive Committee to allow the Southwestern Branch to publish a journal that would contain articles on insects of the Southwestern U.S. and Mexico. I recall that the committee meeting was held that year in Denver, Colorado. It was pointed out that the Central Branch publishes a journal. However our request was denied with the explanation that the Central Branch only publishes summaries of their branch meetings. Our request had been made after discussions among several members of the Southwestern Branch, including Bob Harris, Darrell Bay, Horace Burke, and others. After the denial more discussions were held and at our February 1976 meeting of the Branch I made a presentation at the business meeting to feel out support for an independent Southwestern Entomological Society publishing the Southwestern Entomologist. I asked for a showing of hands on how many would support the idea. After a showing of 70-80 hands saying they would support a new society we decided to proceed with the work of establishing the new society. The minutes of the Southwestern Branch business meeting of February 1976 and of the National Executive meeting in November or December 1975 should show these requests.

Bill Chamberlain

OBJECT & PURPOSE OF SOCIETY foster entomological accomplishment among members and promote Entomology through:

- association & discussion among entomologists
- preparation, reading, & publication of papers
- dissemination of entomological information to public
- publication of Southwestern Entomologist

PURPOSE OF SOUTHWESTERN ENTOMOLOGIST

Articles of interest to region All phases of entomology Low cost

Rapid publication

Volume 1, Number 1 – 1976

The Southwestern Entomological Society was organized in 1976 for the primary purpose of publishing a regional journal. The first issue of the Southwestern Entomologist was published in July 1976, and 4 numbers will be published by January 1977. The journal will be published quarterly in March, June, September, and December. The research need not be conducted in the southwestern United States or Mexico, but articles will be restricted to subjects of interest to this region. These articles will be reviewed by at least one peer for scientific content and suitability for publication. Papers are published in English or Spanish with a Spanish and English abstract.

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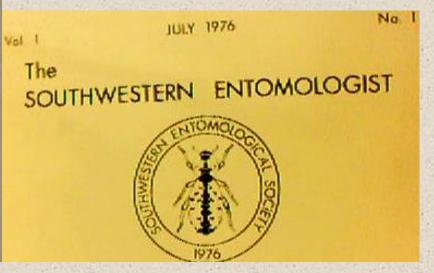


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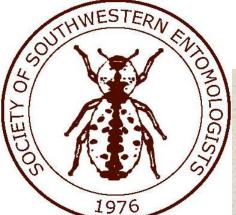
HISTORY OF SOCIETY EMBLEM

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15 October 1992

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The seal which appears for the first time on the cover of this number of The Southwestern Entomologist was designed and drawn by H. R. Burke and W. F. Chamberlain. The beetle illustrated on the seal is a tenebrionid (or zopherid according to some taxonomists), Zopherus nodulosus haldemani Horn, an insect which in several ways is representative of the fauna of the southwestern United States and northern Mexico. The genus Zopherus was the subject of a recent taxonomic review by C. A. Triplehorn (1972 Smithsonian Contributions to Zoology 108:1-24) from which some of the following information was taken. T. J. Spilman (USDA, Washington, D. C.) kindly supplied additional records from the U. S. National Museum.

Zopherus n. haldemani is a rather large beetle which measures from about 15 to 30 mm. in length. It is adorned dorsally by a black and white color pattern and is protected by an extremely hard integument. The latter fact may be attested to by many entomology students attempting to add this handsome beetle to their collections. After bending the points of ordinary insect pins while trying to pierce the integument, it is often necessary to resort to a drill or small nail to make a hole through which the pin can be inserted.

This beetle was originally described as a distinct species (Zopherus haldemani) by G. H. Horn in 1870, but it is presently considered to represent a subspecies of Zopherus nodulosus Solier. The name haldemani was likely derived from that of the well known entomologist, Samuel S. Haldeman. However, the taxon would probably have been more appropriately dedicated to Horace Haldeman, Samuel's brother. Horace Haldeman was the first naturalist to concentrate on collecting insects in Texas and northern Mexico; in fact, he more or less specialized in collecting beetles and many new species taken by him were described by J. L. LeConte and others. It is therefore quite possible that sometime during the late 1840's or early 1850's Horace Haldeman collected the material from which Zopherus haldemani was described.

Zopherus n. haldemani is widely distributed through the central portion of Texas and extends as far south in Mexico as the states of Durango, Nuevo Leon and San Luis Potosi. Although this subspecies does not occur throughout the area generally known as the Southwest, other taxa of Zopherus are known from western Texas, New Mexico and Arizona. The genus Zopherus contains 19 recognized species distributed in the southwestern and western United States, in Mexico, and southward to Venezuela. The majority of species of the genus are southwestern in distribution.

As it is so often the case with many insects of the southwestern fauna, virtually nothing has been published on the biology of \underline{Z} . \underline{n} . $\underline{haldemani}$. Other species of \underline{Z} opherus have been noted as being collected on and/or under bark of pine. Records in the Texas A&M University Insect Collection establish that \underline{Z} . \underline{n} . $\underline{haldemani}$ has been found "in large numbers" on a dead pecan tree at Bastrop, Texas and also on trunks of pecan trees at Brownwood. Information accompanying specimens from Victoria preserved in the U. S. National Museum indicates that they were taken from wood of "pecan timber." Since these specimens are larvae and pupae this record provides good evidence that



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pecan wood serves as a developmental site for the species. Adult specimens have also been taken from under bark of a dead oak tree at College Station. Although the genus Zopherus does not contain any species which have been considered of economic importance, one intriguing, but all too brief, record cites Z. n. haldemani (presumably adults) as "destroying sprouts" of potatoes at New Ulm, Texas in 1937. This was probably an accidental association as there have been no further reports of this beetle damaging plants during the intervening 40 years.

The only example of a species of <u>Zopherus</u> attracting a notable amount of public attention involves the "jewelled" beetle, <u>Zopherus chilensis</u> Gray. Beetles of this species are sometimes covered with rhinestones, fitted with a small chain as a leash, and anchored alive to clothing as an unusual type of costume jewelry.

The lack of information about the life history and habits of the large and fairly common beetle which the Society has adopted to adorn its seal points out to entomologists of the Southwest that many opportunities exist for the discovery of new things about the insects of the region. Hopefully, the biology of the beetle selected as a symbol of our Society will not much longer remain unknown.

FIRST PRESIDENT'S LETTER TO

MEMBERS

January 21, 1977

Dear Member:

The Southwestern Entomological Society is now nearly a year old. I believe that during this time we have accomplished a good deal, but there is still more to be done. Your Society has been incorporated in the State of Texas, the Society has tentatively been given a non-profit status by the Internal Revenue Service, and the State of Texas has exempted the Society from franchise and sales taxes. This means that you can claim your membership dues as an income tax deduction and the Society is in a better position to carry out its activities at less cost. But most importantly, the Society has started the publication of the Southwestern Entomologist. Because of organizational requirements we were not able to publish our first issue until July, 1976, but we hope by the end of 1977 that issues will come out on the month indicated. (We could already have caught up to date if sufficient articles had been submitted.) Postal regulations require the specification of the number of issues per year and regular issuance.

M. I Mamberlain

W. F. Chamberlain, President Southwestern Entomological Society

AGENDA OF FIRST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE **MEETING OF THE SOCIETY**

The Executive Committee of the Southwestern Entomological Society will meet Thursday, October 27, 1977 at University of Texas, Austin

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Mall, Delegralty of Texas, Austin,

The Agenda for the meeting will be:

- 1. Report by Secretary-Treasurer
- 2. Report by Editor, Southwestern Entomologist
- Status of Second Class Mailton furnite door & 3. Status of Second Class Mailing Permit
- 4. Problem with Required Spanish Abstract
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- 6. Requirement on Page Pay Practices
- 7. Results of questionnaires on annual meetings, etc. returned by members
- 8. Appointment of nomination committee

EARLY CONSTITUTION-

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CONSTITUTION OF SOUTHWESTERN ENTOMOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Article I. Name

This corporation, chartered under the laws of Texas in the name and style of the "Southwestern Entomological Society," herein and after called the "Society," is formed as an educational institution, not contemplating financial gain or profit.

Article II. Purpose

The object and purpose of the Society is to foster entomological accomplishment among its members and to promote the science of Entomology through the encouragement of: (1) association and free discussion among all entomologists; (2) the preparation, reading, and publication of papers; (3) the dissemination of entomological information to the general public; and (4) publication of the Southwestern Entomologist.

Article III. Membership

<u>Section 1. - Membership</u>: Membership shall be open to all persons interested in entomology.

Section 2. - Procedure to Obtain Membership: Any person desiring to become a member of the Society shall do so by application to the Secretary-Treasurer. A person shall become such member upon the approval of a majority of the Executive Committee and the payment of such dues as may be established by the Executive Committee.

Section 3. - Member in Good Standing: One who is current in payment of dues.

Article IV. Membership Rights

<u>Section 1. - Voting</u>: Each member in good standing shall be entitled to one vote at any regular or special meeting. Voting by proxy shall not be allowed.

<u>Section 2. - Privileges</u>: All members in good standing shall have equal privileges as to presentation of papers and discussion at meetings.

<u>Section 3. - Journal</u>: Each member in good standing shall be entitled to receive as often as published a copy of the <u>Southwestern Entomologist</u> and any other Society publications.

<u>Section 4. - Termination of Membership</u>: Upon the cessation of membership of any member of the Society at any time and for any reason or cause, all rights, title, and interest in and to any and all of the Society's assets shall automatically terminate.

Article V. Membership Certificates

<u>Section 1. - Certificates</u>: Each member in good standing shall be entitled to receive such evidence of membership as may be decided upon by the Executive Committee.

<u>Section 2. - Transfer:</u> Membership in the Society shall not be transferable or assignable.

Article VI. Dues

<u>Section 1. - Annual Dues</u>: The annual dues for membership in the Society shall be such amount as may be established by the Executive Committee from time to time.

NAME CHANGED TO SOCIETY OF SOUTHWESTERN ENTOMOLOGISTS - 2003

Because of serious confusion over the years between the Southwestern Entomological Society (SWES) and the Southwestern Branch of the Entomological Society of America, I wish to propose re-naming our society the "Society of Southwestern Entomologists or SSWE". This is a minimal change, with minimal editing of the society's logo and no re-naming of the journal required (so the library locations will not change). However, when people refer to "the Society..." rather than "Southwestern Entomologist.." or "Southwestern Branch...", there should be little or no confusion. I feel that until SWES is clearly understood to be a separate entity, membership and outside funding for our regional group will remain difficult to promote and/or expand.

I have discussed this proposal with Dr. Horace R. Burke, founder of the this society and he supports this proposal (see May 23, 2002 memorandum attached). Dr. Burke also suggested that the proper mechanism for forwarding this proposal is to first provide the proposal to the Executive Committee. No other name change options are being considered, so the vote would be this proposed change or no change. With their approval, the proposal should be forwarded to the entire membership using the mailing list maintained by Dr. Bay for sending out the journal. I am requesting that this proposal be approved by the membership before the next meeting of our society.

Sincerely,

Bastiaan M. Drees

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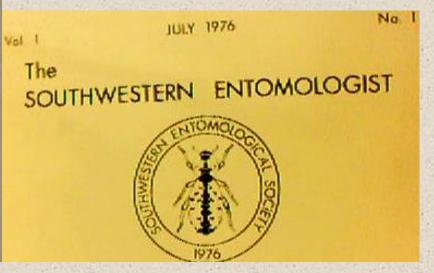


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FIRST MANUSCRIPT IN SOUTHWESTERN ENTOMOLOGIST, Volume 1, Number 1, Pages 1-8 – March/July 1976

APPLICATIONS OF INSECT GROWTH REGULATORS FOR CONTROL OF ANGORA GOAT BITING LICE^{a,b}

W. F. Chamberlain, D. E. Hopkins, and A. R. Gingrich

U. S. Livestock Insects Laboratory ARS, USDA, Kerrville, TX 78028

ABSTRACT

More than 90% control of the Angoragoat biting louse, Bovicola limbatus (Gervais), was obtained 3-10 wk after Angora goats were sprayed at 3 wk after shearing with 0.1% Thompson-Hayward TH6040 (N-(4-chlorophenyl)-N'-(2,6-difluorobenzoyl)urea), 0.2% hydroprene (ethyl (E,E)-3,7,11-trimethyl-2,4-dodecadienoate), or triprene (S-ethyl (E,E)-11-methoxy-3,7,11-trimethyl-2,4-dodecadienethioate). When the hydroprene was applied earlier, 2 applications 3 wk apart were necessary to obtain the same control. Pourons of 50 ml of 0.5 or 1.0% hydroprene applied 7 wk after shearing also gave control. The effect of hydroprene was shown to be hormonal by the presence of nymphoid 4th-stage lice, a stage normally the adult. Other materials showing promise were: Ciba-Geigy CGA-13353 (ethyl 3-methyl-4-[4-(phenylmethyl)phenoxy]-2-butenoate) and Stauffer HS-103 ((E)-5-[(3,7-dimethyl-2,6-octadienyl)oxy]-2-ethylpyridine).

PREFACE TO SUPPLEMENT 1 – June 1980

PREFACE

D. R. Rummel $\frac{1}{2}$

Diflubenzuron (Dimilin) is an insect growth regulator (IGR) that interferes with the synthesis of chitin, an essential component of the cuticle of insects. This IGR has shown activity against numerous insect species including the boll weevil, Anthonomus grandis Boheman, a key pest in many cotton producing areas of Texas.

Diflubenzuron does not cause mortality in the adult boll weevil as do conventional insecticides. Biological activity is manifested in the adult female after the chemical has been ingested or contacted directly; eggs fail to hatch or mortality occurs during the newly eclosed larval stage.

Reports of the effectiveness of diflubenzuron, and its conditional registration by the Environmental Protection Agency for use in controlling boll weevils, have created considerable interest on the part of Texas cotton producers.

Herein, we review research conducted in Texas on the mode of action and environmental fate of diflubenzuron and on its use in the suppression of boll weevil populations. The IGR was tested at various rates and with different application techniques in several cotton producing areas of the state. Diflubenzuron was compared to conventional insecticides for effectiveness in weevil suppression and for detrimental effects on beneficial arthropods. The fate of the IGR after application to boll weevils, plants, and soil are discussed and suggestions for its use in boll weevil control are offered.

FIRST SPANISH MANUSCRIPT, Volume 6, Number 4, Pages 312-315 – December 1981

ALGUNAS OBSERVACIONES SOBRE EL PARASITO CATOLACCUS=(HETEROLACCUS)
GRANDIS BURKS EN LA REGION DEL SOCONUSCO, CHIAPAS, MEXICO.

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RESUMEN

Se presenta información sobre el parásito H. grandis habiéndose encontrado un parasitismo de 41.24 % en observaciones de campo, sobre fases del huésped Anthonomus grandis Boheman localizadas en bellotas secas al final del ciclo agrícola (Diciembre-Enero). La proporción sexual fue de 3ºx1ơ. En el laboratorio, el porcentaje de parasitismo disminuyó en las cajas de cría alcanzando un máximo de 26 % y la proporción sexual fue inversa 1ºx4ơ.

ABSTRACT

Information is presented on the parasite, <u>Heterolaccus</u> grandis Burks, which parasitized 41.24% of the stages of its host, <u>Anthonomus grandis</u> Boheman, found in dry cotton bolls collected from the field at the end of the growing season (December-January). The sex ratio was 3°X1°. In the laboratory, % parasitism was lower in rearing cages (maximum of 26%) and the sex ratio was 1°X4°.

FIRST PERSPECTIVE, Volume 9, Number 4, Pages 443-463 – December 1984

THE BOLL WEEVIL IN TEXAS AND THE CULTURAL STRATEGY

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ABSTRACT

This paper reviews the early days of the boll weevil, Anthonomus grandis Boheman, in Texas, and the first efforts to research the insect. Cultural measures to combat the pest are considered for the cotton area from Texas east, together with detail of the climate and soils of Texas that has allowed better use of cultural control.

FIRST SCIENTIFIC NOTE, Volume 15, Number 1, Pages 77-78 – March 1990

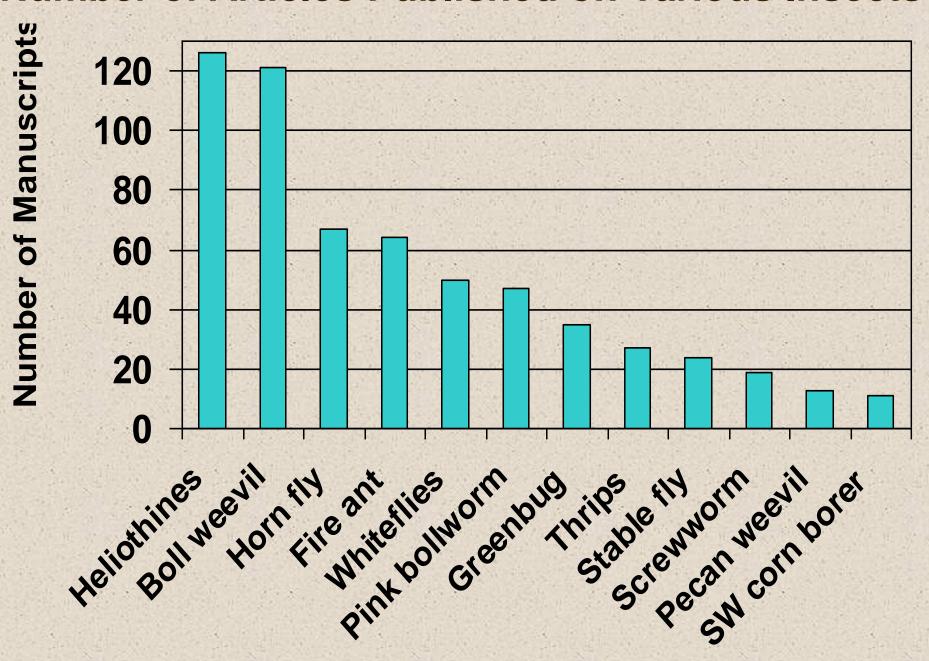
EFFICACY OF BEAUVERIA BASSIANA (BALSAMO) VUILLEMIN TO CONTROL OVERWINTERING BOLL WEEVILS, ANTHONOMUS GRANDIS BOHEMAN

W. A. Frank and J. E. Slosser

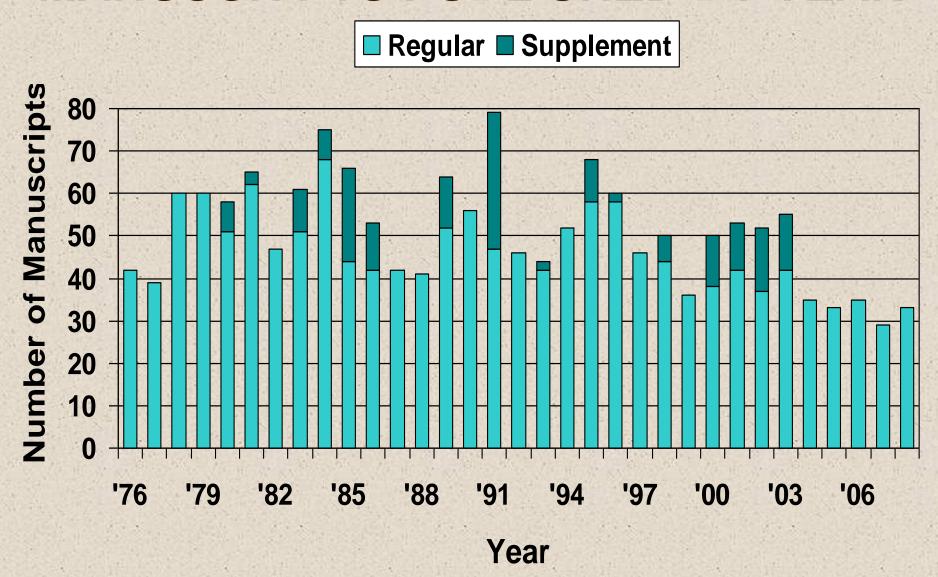
Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, P. O. Box 1658 Vernon, TX 76384

Boll weevils, Anthonomus grandis Boheman, have long been known to be susceptible to the entomopathogenic fungus Beauveria bassiana (Balsamo) Vuillemin (McLaughlin 1962). Efforts to use this fungus to control various insect pests have historically been inhibited by the action of sunlight, which rapidly inactivates conidia (Roberts and Campbell 1977). One possible approach to circumvent the degrading effects of sunlight might be to apply the inoculum to leaf litter and soil in shelterbelts, where boll weevils are known to overwinter (Slosser and Boring 1980). It was postulated that the shade provided by such habitats might permit longer persistence, and lead to better suppression of weevils.

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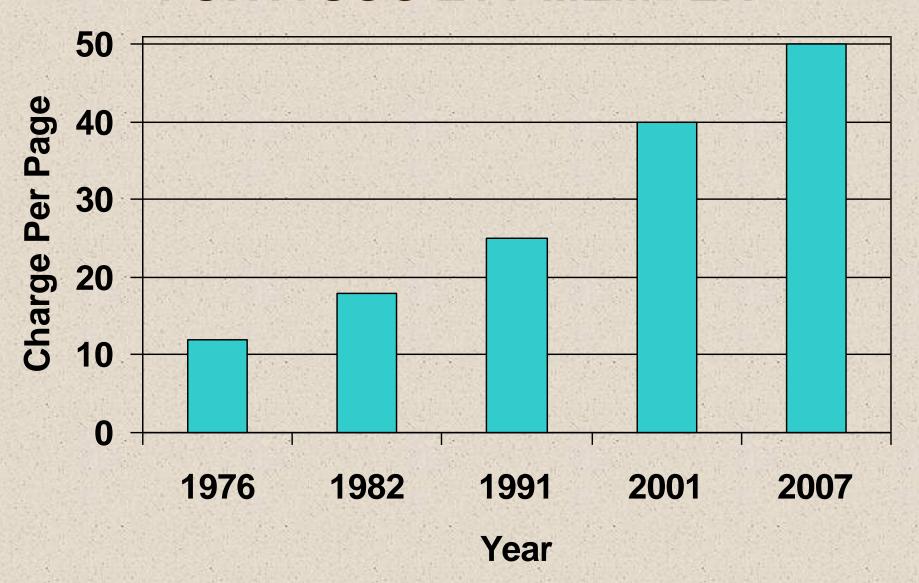
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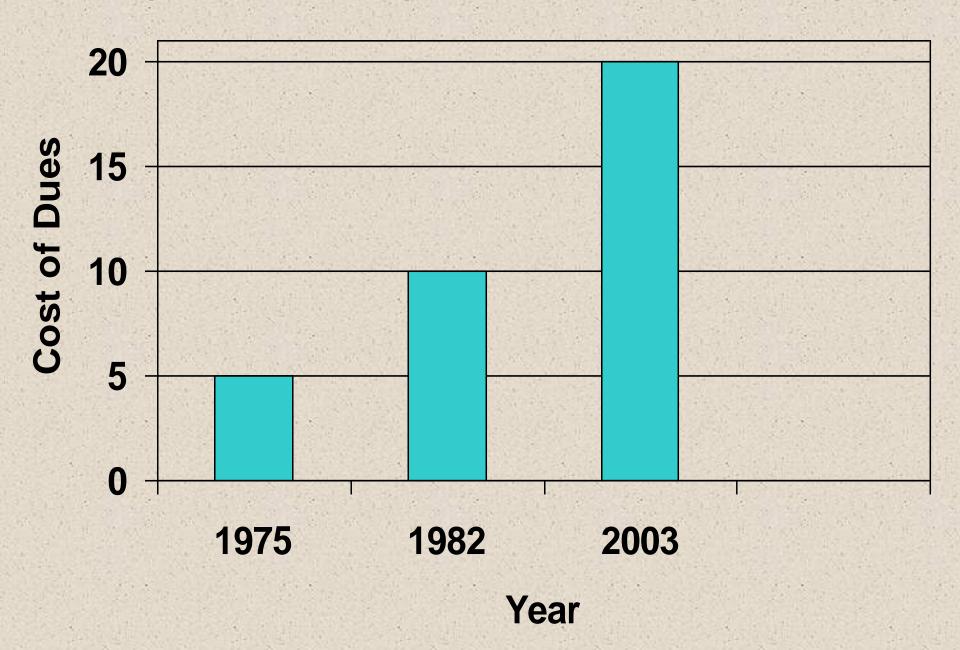
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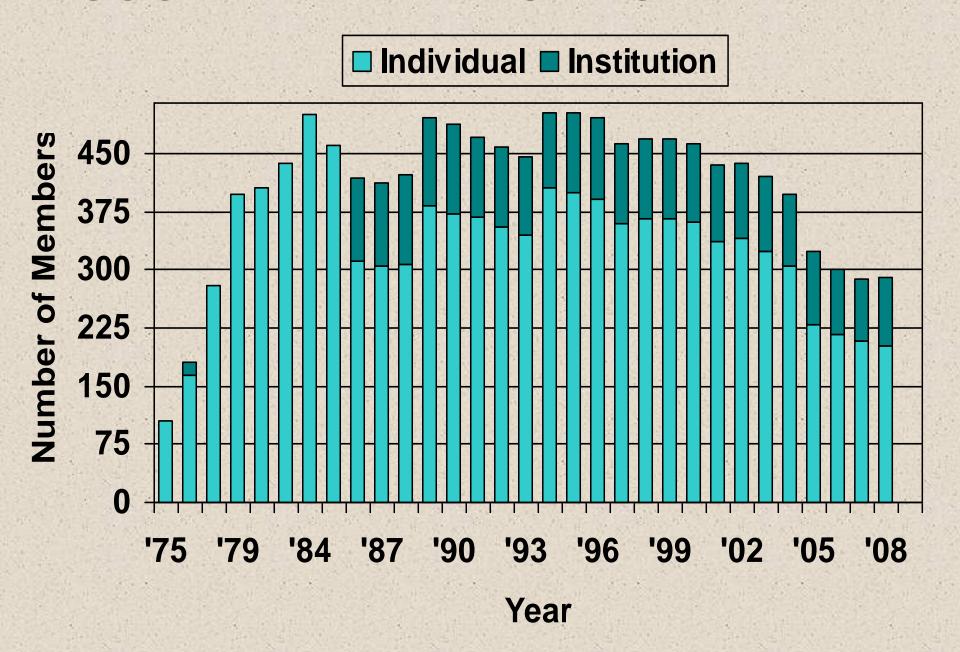
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SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS BY YEAR



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1988 D.R. Rummel

1990 R.E. Wright

Harris USDA-ARS, Bryan

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Oklahoma State University

Texas Agricultural Experiment Station,

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2001 J.D. Burd USDA-ARS, Stillwater

2002 J.A. Jackman Texas Cooperative Extension, College

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Oklahoma State University T. Royer 2005

B.B. Pendleton West Texas A&M University 2006

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2009

2007 C. Bogran Texas Agricultural Extension, College Station

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Donald Nordlund

1976-1978 Darrell Bay

1979-1981 Roger Meola



1984-1985 Scott Fargo

1986-1990

1991-2009 Allen Knutson

EDITORS OF SW ENTOMOLOGIST

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30(2)-33	2005-08	C. Bogran

IN SUMMARY...

In summary, we probably started the SWE are the right time and had the good fortune of having a few people who worked hard at getting it started. We also had the Southwestern Branch. ESA, to draw on for membership and support. Because of these things and the camera ready method of printing we have been able to keep the costs low. The need for such a journal as the SWE was pretty strongly perceived at the time and this certainly helped.

Horace R. Burke

2 May 1991

