

## Additional Hosts of *Sarcochilus adversus*

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IN Vol. 82, Part 2, September, 1954, of the *Transactions of the Royal Society of New Zealand* I gave a list of hosts of the epiphytic orchid *Sarcochilus adversus* (Hook. f.), including 27 native and 4 exotic species.

The following statement was made at the same time: "After seven years of careful observation, I must conclude that *Sarcochilus adversus* is more common in the Waikato than in the 50 localities that I have examined in various parts of New Zealand." Since then, my researches in Stewart Island, in various parts of Southland and Westland and in the Coromandel Peninsula have confirmed that opinion.

I am able now to record the following additional hosts of *Sarcochilus adversus*:

*Podocarpus totara* D. Don, at Brightwater, Nelson.

*Rhopalostylis sapida* Wendl. & Drude, at Kennedy's Bay, Coromandel.

*Beilschmiedia tarairi* Benth. & Hook. f., at Kennedy's Bay, Coromandel.

*Sophora microphylla* Ait. at Whale Bay, Raglan, and on the shores of Raglan Harbour.

*Vitex lucens* T. Kirk, at Whale Bay, Raglan.

*Fuchsia excorticata* Linn. f. on Maungakawa, near Cambridge.

*Tetrapathaea tetrandra* Cheesem. on Maungakawa, near Cambridge.

*Leptospermum ericoides* A. Rich., at Coromandel.

*Crataegus oxyacantha* Linn. (tree hawthorn) near Hamilton.

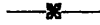
Fide Mrs. P. Hynes, Auckland, on *Alseuosmia macrophylla* A. Cunn. and on *Metrosideros excelsa* Sol. ex Gaertn. near Auckland.

Fide Mrs. Sanson, Invercargill, on *Metrosideros umbellata* Cav in Stewart Island.

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# THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND



## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, HELD ON MAY 22, 1957.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Council of the Royal Society of New Zealand was held on Wednesday, May 22, 1957, in the Council Room, Victoria University College, Wellington, commencing at 10 a.m.

*Chan* The President, Professor L. H. Briggs, was in the chair.

*Representation and Roll Call.* The following responded to the roll call: President, Professor L. H. Briggs; Vice-Presidents, Professor R. S. Allan and Professor L. R. Richardson, Immediate Past President, Dr. D. Miller; Government Representatives—Dr. G. Archey, Mr. F. R. Callaghan, Dr. R. A. Falla, Dr. C. A. Fleming; Auckland Institute—Mr. S. G. Brooker, Professor K. B. Cumberland; Wellington Branch—Mr. K. R. Allen, Dr. M. A. F. Barnett; Canterbury Branch—Mr. B. W. Collins, Professor E. Percival; Otago Branch—Miss B. Brewin, Mr. O. H. Keys; Waikato Scientific Association—Mr. R. R. White; Rotorua Philosophical Society—Dr. J. K. Dixon; Hawke's Bay Branch—Mr. N. L. Elder; Nelson Philosophical Society—Dr. H. O. Askew; Co-opted Member—Dr. J. T. Salmon; Honorary Treasurer, Mr. S. Cory-Wright; Fellows' Representatives—Professor C. A. Cotton, Dr. F. G. Soper.

*Apologies for Absence.* His Excellency the Governor-General, Lord Norrie, regretted he was unable to attend as he was in residence in Auckland.

The Minister, the Hon. R. M. Algie, regretted that as he was leaving for Auckland he would be unable to attend.

Mr. R. W. Willett, representative of the Southland Branch, apologised for absence as he had to attend another meeting.

*The Late Dr. W. R. B. Oliver.* The President, Professor Briggs, referred to the death of Dr. W. R. B. Oliver on the 17th day of May, and paid a tribute to his work for the Society, of which he had been President from 1952-54, a member of the Council for many years, a former editor of the *Transactions*, and a Fellow of the Society. Professor Briggs spoke of Dr. Oliver's scientific attainments, for which he was internationally known, and of his academic achievements. In 1928 he graduated M.Sc. with first class honours, and in 1934 he received from the University of N.Z. the degree of D.Sc. for studies on the genus *Coprosma*, a thesis embracing the whole of the Pacific. He had been awarded both the Hector and Hutton medals.

Dr. Oliver was the author of many publications and shortly before his death there appeared a second edition (revised and enlarged) of his "New Zealand Birds".

Members of the Council stood in respect to his memory.

*President's Remarks.* The President briefly referred to outstanding events of the year in the scientific world as they affected New Zealand, such as the I.G.Y. programme, for which the thanks and appreciation of the Society should be extended to the Government for its liberal financial support; the Antarctic Expedition, and the proposed expedition to the South Pacific to commemorate the Darwin centenary.

He then went on to welcome back Dr. Barnett, who took his seat at the Council table as one of the representatives of the Wellington Branch in place of Professor Richardson, who had resigned on being elected a Vice-President of the Society, Professor E. Percival, who represented the Canterbury Branch in place of Professor Allan, Vice-President, who had likewise resigned, and Mr. R. R. White who had been appointed to represent the Waikato Scientific Association succeeding Dr. E. B. Davies.

Professor Briggs thanked Dr. Davies for his work while on the Council.

*Notices of Motion* were called for.