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QUEENSLAND MYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY INC
General Meeting October 10th 2017

CHAIRPERSON: Wayne Boatwright

ATTENDANCE: As per attendance book

APOLOGIES: Tony Young, Maria and Charles Stevenson, James Hansen, Mary Mahoney.

The meeting opened at 7.05 pm. Wayne welcomed all present and acknowledged the traditional owners of the land.

Foray: Sunday 15 October Bio Blitz, Tamborine Mtn.

Planning is underway for a Photographic workshop at Binna Burra in March 2018.

Members are invited to submit a fungi photograph to Committee for the 2018 calendar.

David Holdom spoke on chemicals, and the trouble sourcing suitable bottles. He asked members to submit articles for the December issue of Qld Mycologist asap.

SPEAKERS

Pat Leonard The Genus *Lactarius*

35 years ago, when starting out in mycology, Pat became interested in the Genus *Lactarius*.

The pragmatic reasons for this choice, and much more are in a paper on QMS website qldfungi.org.au members ~resources~ past meetings ~presentations.

Pat gives a description of the genus, ten macroscopic characters that define *Lactarius* species in the field, and the main chemical tests and microscopic characters.

There are 450 *Lactarius* species known worldwide, probably 30 species in Australia. Seven are endemic with published descriptions. Two species are shared with New Zealand, four were introduced from Europe with their host trees.

Nine species have been collected and described but not published.

Finally, he exhorts us to submit our good *Lactarius* records and specimens to the Herbarium, and include the tree under which it was growing and details of milk colour or taste.

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Diana Leemon Mushrooms and magic microscopic mechanisms

A copy of the Powerpoint slides is on the QMS web site – and learn about the intricacies of spore release and dispersal.

Diana has been working as a teacher and scientist since the 1970s.

She is fascinated by the functions of mushrooms and spores and recommends the books of US author Nicholas Money.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm and members enjoyed supper and conversation.

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 14th November** at 7 pm.