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# Editorial

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Well winter is certainly with us in New Zealand with rain and wind, but it seems that other parts of the world aren't having the summer they were expecting. As a nutritionist, feed materials are a main interest of mine, and yet again it seems that harvests are likely to be poor this year, making it difficult to farm in an economic fashion. The conference season is well under way at the time of writing, and although most people are gearing up for the WPC next year in Brazil, there are still some interesting events regarding poultry. The Board is holding its meeting at the Turkey conference at the end of October/start November and I would like to thank the organisers there for hosting us. It should be an enjoyable place to work for a few days.

In this issue you will see that we have a variety of papers, and it's very encouraging that more authors from different scientific spheres are using the WPSJ to publish their reviews. We are getting more INFPD papers coming in as well – which is important as encouraging poultry production in developing countries is a key tenet of the Association. Of course, it's impossible to control what gets submitted from my point of view – but variety in topics is so good for our readership that I would like to encourage anyone who is 'doing something different' to consider putting in a review online. On that topic – we still have some problems with authors not taking on board the fact that we only publish review papers not single experiments. The instructions for our content and formatting are very clear – so please read them if you are an author. Please do not submit single experiments to me as this costs us money that we have to charge to the authors.

In June I will get the latest ratings for the journal – the quality standard all journals are subjected to on an annual basis which gives an indication of how important we are in the field of agricultural science. Current we are at tenth place in our category which is excellent for a small journal that is only published quarterly. So keep the papers coming and I hope you all find something of interest in this issue.

**Dr Lucy Waldron**

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