

EDITORIAL

The Tropical Grassland Society aims to promote the interchange and extension of ideas on pasture improvement in tropical and subtropical areas. The journal *Tropical Grasslands* fulfils these aims by communicating the results of original research and development of tropical and subtropical pastures to members, primary producers, commercial organisations associated with primary production and to the scientific community in general.

To these ends, the Society is committed to continual improvement of the Journal and its contribution to the science of pasture development. In 1987, an International Editorial Advisory Board was appointed, and this has led to changes in policy and an increased interest in the publication, in *Tropical Grasslands*, of research conducted in tropical areas outside Australia.

The Society has long been aware of the important contribution being made by countries in Central and Southern America to the knowledge and use of tropical pasture species. To assist in the flow of information between scientists in English, Spanish and Portuguese speaking countries, *Tropical Grasslands* will, from this volume onwards, publish both English and Spanish summaries of each article. Due to unforeseen circumstances, the Spanish summaries were not received in time for printing with Volume 22 Number 1, and had to be included as an insert. However commencing with this current issue, the Spanish summaries will be placed within the text of the article and will directly follow the English summary.

The translation of the summaries into Spanish is being undertaken by one of our Editorial Advisory Board members, Dr J. Toledo of CIAT in Colombia. The Society is indebted to him for his assistance.

It is hoped that this change will allow pasture scientists in Central and Southern America to more easily access the information being published in a journal totally committed to the publication of tropical pasture research. It may also encourage the publication, in *Tropical Grasslands*, of pasture articles from research conducted in Central and Southern America.