

MEMORIAL MEETING FOR PROFESSOR TONY SWAIN (1922-1987)

HELD AT THE ROYAL BOTANIC GARDENS, KEW, RICHMOND

WEDNESDAY 6 JULY 1988

Among those present to pay tribute to the memory of our founder editor Tony Swain were:

Tom ap Rees, Yoshinori Asakawa, Arthur Bell, Dennis Briggs, Eric Brown, Vernon Butt, Michael Carlile, Joe Connolly, Mary Crombie, Leslie Crombie, David Cutler, Paul Dewick, John Friend, Hans Geiger, John Goad, Trevor Goodwin, Otto Gottlieb, S. Hall, Susan Hammond, Jeffrey Harborne, Peter Holloway, David Jones, Keith Jones, Maria Kaplan, Judy (Goldstein) Kinderlerer, Eddie Leete, Harry Nursten, David Phillipson, Stan Pierpoint, Tom Reynolds, Gilbert Richards, Mick Richardson, Don Robb, Miriam Rothschild, Raie Smith, Terry Smith, Gillian (Cooper-Driver) Swain, Jonathan Swain, Nicholas Swain, Dave Threlfall, June Varley, John Vaughan, Peter Waterman and Christine Williams.

Many other friends and colleagues sent their regrets that they were unable to be present. Ted Hillis, writing from CSIRO Division of Forestry, Clayton, Australia paid this tribute, which will be echoed by many other friends: "He was the most brilliant person with whom I have had contact and it was my great privilege to have known him and I have very happy memories of past associations".

We reproduce here three of the memorial lectures given at the meeting of July 6th: a personal tribute by Keith Jones, a tribute to Tony's pioneering contributions to plant systematics and ecology by Arthur Bell, and a tribute to Tony's contributions to tannin biochemistry by Peter Waterman.

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