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## **AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS SOCIETY AWARDS 1988**

### **MASTER'S THESIS PRIZE**

The prize was awarded to Clare Johnson for a thesis entitled 'The Japanese beef market: an economic assessment of its structure and institutions', submitted to the University of Sydney.

### **UNDERGRADUATE PRIZES**

- Jamie Ball (University of Adelaide)
- Rhonda Cail (University of Western Australia)
- Helen Egan (La Trobe University)
- Ian Gibbons (University of Queensland)
- John Gibson (Lincoln College)
- John Morrison (Lincoln College)
- Ranald Munro (University of Sydney)
- Peter Newman (University of New England)
- Marcus O'Sullivan (University of New England)
- John Roberts (Monash University)
- Barry Sterland (University of Sydney)

### **JOURNAL ARTICLE PRIZE**

The prize for the best article published in the *Australian Journal of Agricultural Economics* was awarded to George F. Patrick for the article entitled 'Mallee wheat farmers' demand for crop and rainfall insurance' published in Volume 32(1), pp. 37-49.

## 33rd ANNUAL CONFERENCE

AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS SOCIETY  
LINCOLN COLLEGE, CANTERBURY, NZ, 6-9 FEBRUARY  
1989

### Presidential address

Edwards, G. W. (La Trobe University), 'Big problems facing small societies'.

### Invited papers

- Beare, S., Domine, L. and Murray, L. (Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics), 'Trans-Tasman trade in manufactured dairy products: a mathematical programming model of imperfect sectoral competition'.
- Easton, B. (Consultant, Wellington), 'Agricultural policy: the rationale for one'.
- Fraser, R. W. (University of Western Australia), 'On evaluating the producer benefits from price stabilisation'.
- Gardner, B. (University of Maryland), 'International consequences of United States agricultural policies'.
- Griffith, G. R., Lattimore, R. G. and Robertson, J. C. (Department of Agriculture, NSW), 'CER and Australia-New Zealand dairy products-trade'.
- Jardine, V. (Scobie Economic Research), 'Crisis in agricultural R and D in New Zealand?'.
- Martin, W. (Australian National University), 'Australian agricultural policy: 1983-88'.
- O'Mara, P. L. (Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics), 'Exchange rates, interest rates and agriculture: a macroeconomic view'.
- Quiggin, J. and Fisher, B. (University of Sydney), 'Generalised utility theories - implications for stabilisation policy'.
- Rausser, G. and Foster, W. E. (University of California, Berkeley), 'Political preference functions and the market for public policy reform'.
- Rayner, A. C. (Lincoln College), 'The role of agricultural policy in New Zealand: past, present and future'.
- Robertson, J. and Orden, D. (Virginia Polytechnic), 'A vector error correction model of money and price dynamics in New Zealand'.
- Ryan, J. G. and Davis, J. (Australian Centre for International Agricultural Research), 'Economic growth, technological change and priority assessment in agricultural research'.

### Contributed papers

- Anaman, K. A., Izac, A. M. N. and Fraser, K. I. (University of Queensland), 'An economic evaluation of dryland pasture improvement strategies for beef cattle production in tropical Queensland'.
- Anderson, K. (University of Adelaide), 'Rent seeking and price distorting policies in rich and poor countries'.
- Angel, C., Beare, S. and Zwart, A. (Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics), 'Product characteristics and arbitrage in the Australian and N.Z. wool markets'.
- Battese, G. E., Coelli, T. J. and Colby, T. C. (University of New England), 'Estimation of frontier production functions and the

- technical efficiencies of Indian farms using panel data from ICRISAT's village level studies'.
- Belete, A., Dillon, J. L. and Anderson, F. M. (University of New England), 'The development of agriculture in Ethiopia following the 1975 land reform'.
- Bennett, J. W. (University of NSW), 'Wage determination in the NSW black coal industry'.
- Bewley, R. and Elliot, G. (University of Sydney), 'The rejection of homogeneity in demand and supply analysis: an explanation and solution'.
- Bouis, H. E. (International Food Policy Research Institute), 'A food demand system based on demand for characteristics: if there is "curvature" in the Slutsky matrix, what do the curves look like and why?'.
- Brennan, D. and Lindner, R. (University of Western Australia), 'The long-term peak load problem in grain storage: an empirical analysis'.
- Campbell, H. F. and Lindner, R. K. (University of Tasmania), 'The production of fishing effort and the economic performance of licence limitation programmes'.
- Chandra, S. (AIDAB), 'Australian aid experience in the livestock sector of the less developed countries'.
- Chewings, R. A. (Soil Conservation Service, NSW), 'Economic evaluation of the Gobondery soil conservation project'.
- Chiao, Y. S. and Doyle, C. J. (MAFCorp), 'The effects of market structure on the distribution of research grains in the N.Z. sheepmeat industry'.
- Chiao, Y. S. and Scobie, G. M. (MAFCorp), 'The cost to agriculture of import protection in New Zealand'.
- Chisholm, A. H. (La Trobe University), 'Capital income and capital gains taxation in agriculture and forestry'.
- Connolly, G. and Guy, K. (Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics), 'Tests of the dynamics and functional form of retail demand for clothing and footwear in Western Europe'.
- Corra, G., Dickson, A. and Teal, F. (Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics), 'Why has the supply of beef in Japan grown so rapidly?'.
- Delforce, J. (University of New England, University of Queensland), 'Expenditure patterns of smallholder farm-households in Tonga: an application of the almost ideal demand system'.
- Deng, G. (La Trobe University), 'The role of books and agricultural development in traditional China'.
- Dwyer, G. M. and Davidson, B. (University of New England), 'A trans-Tasman trade in market milk - a spatial equilibrium approach'.
- Enjiang, C. (University of Melbourne), 'Housing expenditure and Chinese rural development - preliminary results from a survey in Jiangsu province'.
- Esparon, N. M. and Sturgess, N. H. (University of Melbourne), 'Technical efficiency of rice production in East and West Java, Indonesia'.
- Eveleens, W. M., Reynolds, R. G. and Moore, W. (MAFCorp), 'Effects of liberalisation on the provision of government services to agriculture'.
- Galapitige, D. C. (La Trobe University), 'Alternative management policies for mountain ash (*Eucalyptus regnans* F. Muell) in Victoria'.
- Ghadim, A. K. A. and Pannell, D. J. (University of Western Australia), 'Weed management in crop-pasture rotations'.

- Godden, D. (Department of Agriculture, NSW), 'Induced institutional innovation: plant variety rights, patents, genetic engineering and all that'.
- Griffith, G. R. and Duff, G. L. (NSW Agriculture & Fisheries), 'The influence of shortrun price variability on Sydney pork price spreads: a preliminary analysis'.
- Gyles, A., Hardaker, J. B., Viliami, K. and Speijer, P. (University of New England), 'Keeping research relevant: experiences with on-farm trials in Tonga'.
- Hardaker, J. B., Fleming, E. M. and Patten, H. L. (University of New England), 'Issues in food policies in the South Pacific'.
- Hertzler, G. L., Lindner, R. K. and Pandey, S. (University of Western Australia), 'Public policies for pest control: toward an analytical framework'.
- Jakobsson, K. M. and Dragun, A. K. (La Trobe University), 'The economics of species preservation: theory and methodology'.
- Jarratt, I. S. and Longworth, J. W. (University of Queensland), 'Premiums and discounts for brands of imported beef in Japan'.
- Johnson, R. W. M. (Massey University), 'The real rate of exchange revisited: reflections on policies encouraging international competitiveness'.
- Kennedy, J. and Godden, D. (La Trobe University), 'The value of rights in new plant varieties'.
- Lawrence, D. and Zeitsch, J. (Industries Assistance Commission), 'Production flexibility revisited'.
- MacAulay, T. G., Thomas, W. C. and Musgrave, W. F. (University of New England), 'Policy response functions in spatial trading systems'.
- McDougall, R. and Sugden, C. (Industries Assistance Commission), 'Reforming trans-Tasman shipping: an international general equilibrium analysis'.
- Malcolm, L. R. and Edwards, R. G. (Melbourne University), 'Judging crop sequences for crop farm management'.
- Martin, W. (Australian National University), 'Implications of China's foreign exchange system for the wool market'.
- Mullen, J. D., Alston, J. M. and Wohlgenant, M. K. (Department of Agriculture, NSW), 'Demand parameters in the wool processing industry'.
- Negendank, O. (University of Otago), 'Forecasting systems for the pork industry - the role of producers'.
- Nuthall, P. L. (Lincoln College), 'Farm management by computer - prospects and possibilities'.
- Pandey, S. (University of Western Australia), 'Economics of wild oats control: an application of a stochastic dynamic programming model'.
- Powell, R. (University of New England), 'Rural regional stabilisation: a problem and some policy options'.
- Qian, D., Xiji, A., Drynan, R. G. and Longworth, J. W. (University of Queensland), 'Food consumption patterns of urban residents in China'.
- Reynolds, R. G., Chiao, Y. S. and Robinson, B. R. (MAFCorp), 'Macroeconomic policies and agricultural sector responses'.
- Sandrey, R. and Eveleens, W. (MAFCorp), 'New livestock industries: the dynamics and impacts of government policies'.
- Sappideen, B. (Soil Conservation Service, NSW), 'Economic evaluation of the Yass salinity abatement demonstration project: a methodological framework'.
- Soe, U. T. and Fisher, B. S. (University of Sydney), 'Burmese rice price

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- policies: an economic analysis of developments since independence'.
- Sri-Ramaratnam, S. (MAFCorp), 'Implications of changes in access to Japanese beef markets for New Zealand trade'.
- Stanford, A. J. (Department of Fisheries, SA), 'Licence reduction and gear restriction policies in limited entry fisheries: a bioeconomic analysis'.
- Topp, V., Williamson, G., Lembit, M. and Beare, S. (Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics), 'The resource costs of blended milk pricing in Victoria'.
- Vanzetti, D. and Kennedy, J. (La Trobe University), 'Strategic trade policy with competitive storage'.
- Vidler, P. (Duffy, ACT), 'An analysis of some aspects of the Australian domestic raw cotton market, 1968-69 to 1985-86'.
- Vidler, P. (Duffy, ACT), 'An analysis of trends in Queensland raw cotton production, 1971-72 to 1986-87'.
- Vidler, P. and Davidson, B. (Duffy, ACT), 'The identification of research issues in the Australian cotton industry'.
- Vishwakarma, K. P. (La Trobe University), 'Optimization over time for agriculture and resource management'.
- Voon, T. and Edwards, G. (La Trobe University), 'An economic evaluation of dark-cutting beef in Australia'.
- Wan, G. H., Griffiths, W. E. and Anderson, J. R. (University of New England), 'Estimation of marginal risks with seemingly unrelated regression and panel data'.
- Wang, K. M., Richmond, G. S., Hacker, R. B., Hertzler, G. and Lindner, B. K. (University of Western Australia), 'Grazing management decision making in the pastoral zone of Western Australia: an application using control theory'.
- Wheatstone, M. (Lincoln College), 'Microdynamics of farm adjustment'.
- Williams, C. H., Longworth, J. W. and Whan, I. F. (University of Queensland), 'Pricing efficiency at South East Queensland cattle auctions'.
- Woodford, K. (Queensland Agricultural College), 'Risk management in farming and some implications for agricultural education'.
- Wright, V. (University of New England), 'Agribusiness management and farm management: some parallels and their implications'.
- Wynen, E. and Kennedy, J. (La Trobe University), 'Policy options for chemical-free agriculture: an LP approach'.
- Yapp, T. P. and Connell, L. J. (Soil Conservation Service, NSW), 'A review of factors influencing the adoption of conservation tillage'.
- Zeitsch, J. (Industries Assistance Commission), 'Adding input demands to partial equilibrium agricultural trade models'.