
PREFACE

This publication contains a number of papers solicited by the Agronomy Society of New Zealand to address issues of concern and interest to pea growers, which were presented to a pea symposium organised in conjunction with the 1985 Agronomy Society Annual Conference at Lincoln College, Canterbury.

In addition it contains a paper (Greenwood and McNamara) presented separately at the Annual Conference, and a paper on cultivar development (Jermyn) which was solicited subsequently.

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