

EDITORIAL

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This is the first Internet publication of the Asparagus Research Newsletter. The decision To make the Asparagus Research Newsletter (ARN) available over the Internet was made to provide the information contained in this publication to a greater number of interested people than previously via the hard copy publication of the ARN. The ARN is provided without cost to those that wish to download the publication. The main focus of the ARN is and has been to provide a medium for the exchange and extension of asparagus research information throughout the world.

The contents of the Asparagus Research Newsletter is dependent upon the contributions of papers from research and industry personnel. The number of contributions in past editions have ranged from as few as 2 to as many as 16. I would like to encourage you to continue your submission of papers for future editions. I will accept: (1) finished research papers, (2) updates on current research projects or programs, (3) reports on asparagus industries, (4) announcements of meetings and symposiums and (5) other topics that are of interest to the international asparagus industries and researchers.

Contributions of papers, etc. should be sent to me by E-Mail and also as a hard copy and on a floppy disc by mail to the above address. The format of the research papers should follow the protocol used in major research journals. The official language will be English.

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