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About this Issue

This edition of *The Phycologist* heralds several changes in the British Phycological Society and the newsletter itself. In a letter from our new President, Barry Leadbeater gives his perspective on these changes, specifically on the new committee structure of the BPS which is further expanded in subsequent pages of *The Phycologist*. Regarding the newsletter, it was decided at the BPS Winter Council Meeting that *The Phycologist* would go to print twice each year in April and November. There are several advantages in doing this, these dates work well for the publicising of and reporting on the BPS Winter Meetings. The new print dates are also timed well for reporting student prizes and BPS awards. It is also anticipated that the lead-time for each issue will facilitate inclusion of an increased number of articles. *The Phycologist* not only informs the phycological community of the activities of the British Phycological Society but is also an important forum for BPS members. We are therefore interested to hear your views on how you would like to see *The Phycologist* further developed and we are especially interested to hear of ideas for articles and news items of interest to readers (see 'Instructions to Authors' for contact details).

