

ASPT Website Updates and Outstanding Issues  
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Overview of 2008/9 website activity:

1. On-line voting continued with few problems. The voting stats when compared to recent years are as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Members</u>	<u>Votes</u>	<u>Percent Voting</u>
<b>2009</b>	<b>1422</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>36.2%</b>
<b>2008</b>	<b>1357</b>	<b>515</b>	<b>38%</b>
2007	1374	231	17%
2006	1331	233	18%
2005	1324	250	19%
2004	1212	?	?
2003	1335	281	21%

The web committee will look into mechanisms for further increasing the response rate in the coming years. It should also be noted that between 2008 and 2009 the number of paper ballots went from 48 to 20, with the same number of total votes, suggesting more members are taking advantage of the on-line voting system.

Outstanding issues:

1. We are still looking at adding a secure page at the ASPT site which will allow members to access BioOne online using their personal subscription information. We need to find out what if any requirements are necessary with the new publisher.
2. A supplementary data section to the Systematic Botany page has been added with the materials for six papers in three issues up on the site.

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